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Staff Sergeant CHESTER L. MCCOY, (37097063), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Yakumul, New Guinea, on 4 June 1944. When a company perimeter was over-run by a numerically superior enemy force, a withdrawal was made into an undermanned battalion command post perimeter. Sergeant McCoy, continuously under enemy fire, gained control over the disorganized element, placed men in advantageous positions, and directed their fire. When mounting casualties made it necessary, he manned a heavy machine gun, maintaining his position even after being wounded. Staff Sergeant McCoy's heroic conduct and leadership helped make possible the repulse of repeated enemy attacks until evacuation by barge was effected. Home address: Mr. Frank McCoy, (father), Hastings, Minnesota.

Sergeant THOMAS J. PRICE, (14066020), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Afua, New Guinea, on 29 July 1944. Sergeant Price went to the aid of a wounded soldier who lay beyond a perimeter, in an open area swept by heavy enemy fire. He reached the wounded man, administered first aid while being subject to enemy fire, and removed him to a position of safety. Sergeant Price's courageous conduct undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded soldier. Home address: Mr. Henry V. Price, (father), Route #2, Crawford, Georgia.

Technician Fifth Grade ROLAND A. SPECHT, (36204953), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Afua, New Guinea, on 25 July 1944. During a fire fight, our troops suffered several casualties. One soldier, seriously wounded in the leg, lay about thirty yards from the enemy. Technician Fifth Grade Specht braved enemy fire to move to the wounded man's aid. He was wounded in the foot by an enemy grenade but continued to advance, reached the wounded man, and returned him to a position of safety. Technician Fifth Grade Specht undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded soldier by his courageous action. Home address: Frieda Specht, (mother), Route #2, Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) MARSHALL H. ZOLMAN, (36156020), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Afua, New Guinea, on 26 July 1944. When the advance of a company was halted by the fire of two enemy machine guns, several casualties were suffered. Sergeant Zolman, in the face of enemy fire, set up a machine gun at a point from which he might fire on the enemy positions. His fire was so effective that other men of the company were enabled to move forward to evacuate the wounded and the bodies of the dead. He continued to fire his weapon until the remaining men of the company had reached cover. Sergeant Zolman's courage under fire reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Lena Zolman, (mother), Waldron, Michigan.

VI. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Captain EDWARD CONNOLLY, (0888293), Chaplain Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Driniumor River area, New Guinea, from 1 May 1944 to 16 August 1944. Home address: Mr. Edward Connolly, (father), 1113 Sison Street, Scranton, Pennsylvania.

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First Lieutenant EMANUEL J. TINARI, (01302905), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Drinimor River area, New Guinea, from 16 June 1944 to 13 July 1944. Home address: Mrs. Helen M. Tinari, (mother), 3700 West Coldspring Lane, Baltimore, Maryland.

VII. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President; in addition to the Air Medal awarded to Second Lieutenant David F. Boothe by the Commanding General, Sixth Army, as published on page 1, section I, General Orders No. 97, dated 23 June 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942). The citation is as follows:

Second Lieutenant DAVID F. BOOTHE, (0888891), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight near Aitape, New Guinea, from 5 June 1944 to 10 August 1944. Flights on reconnaissance and observation missions were made at low altitudes, often at night, in an unarmored L-4 airplane, over territory where enemy fire was encountered. Home address: Mrs. Clare Boothe Luce, (sister), Greenwich, Connecticut.

VIII. AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL:

By direction of the President under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), the Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Captain FRANCIS T. HANSON, (0397896), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight near Aitape, New Guinea, from 1 July 1944 to 15 August 1944. Captain Hanson made repeated flights in unarmed transport planes, risking, and at times encountering, the fire of enemy ground forces to drop supplies which were urgently needed by ground troops in combat with the enemy. Home address: Thor H Hanson (father), State Capitol, Madison, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant DWYTE O. PUGH, (01174687), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight near Aitape, New Guinea, from 5 June 1944 to 10 August 1944. Flights on reconnaissance, observation, and air dropping missions were made at low altitudes, often at night, in an unarmored L-4 airplane, over territory where enemy fire was encountered. Home address: Mrs. Mary C Pugh, (mother), Route #5, Box 647, Lansing, Michigan.

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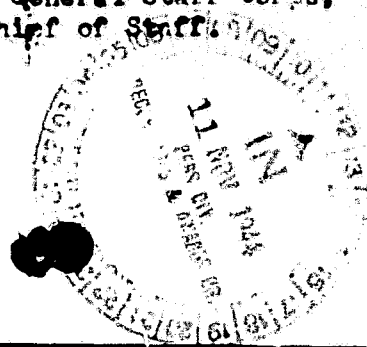
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AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER I
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL II

I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel GEORGE A. BOND, JR, by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, section I, General Orders Number 60, dated 7 August 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel GEORGE A. BOND, JR (0295771), General Staff Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Aitape, New Guinea, from 12 July 1944 to 16 August 1944. Home address: Mrs. Alice Marie Bond, (wife), 1506 East Fanning Street, Marshall, Texas.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Lieutenant Colonel TYLER D. BARNEY, (0194843), Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in Australia and New Guinea from 1 September 1943 to 1 May 1944. Home address: Mrs. Esther I. Barney, (wife), Sparta, Wisconsin.

Major DAYTON W. GARLICK, (0441643), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Aitape, New Guinea, from 16 June 1944 to 16 August 1944. Home address: Arthur D. Garlick, (father), 68 Altyre Street, Waterbury, Connecticut.

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Major LEONARD E. GARRETT, (0380615), General Staff Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Aitape, New Guinea, from 12 July 1944 to 16 August 1944. Home address: Mrs. Leonard E. Garrett, (wife), 2120 Broadway Street, Apartment 1, Beaumont, Texas.

Captain ANDREW L. HARBIN, (0328648), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Aitape, New Guinea, from 12 July 1944 to 15 August 1944. Home address: Mrs. Duane G. Harbin, (wife), Waxahachie Bank, Waxahachie, Texas.

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Brigadier General ROBERT B. MC BRIDE, JR., (04451), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Aitape, New Guinea, from 4 May 1944 to 16 August 1944. Home address: Miss Betty Ellen McBride, (daughter), 37 East Maple Road, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Lieutenant Colonel JOHN F. WURZ, (0395649), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Aitape, New Guinea, from 14 July 1944 to 16 August 1944. Home address: Mr. John F. Wurz, (father), 44 Baynton Avenue, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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NO.94)AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL I
AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Lieutenant Colonel CECIL M. COULTER, (0320647), General Staff Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea from 2 January 1944 to 15 August 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Alice Couiter, (mother), 3621 Yardley Avenue, Oakland, California.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT A. STANLEY, (20630425), Signal Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Colasian Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 November 1944. When enemy artillery shelled a command post, Technician Stanley, a switchboard operator, continued to handle all telephone calls calmly and efficiently. The switchboard was inadequately dug in because of lack of time to prepare a proper position. Although several shells landed within a few yards of the switchboard, Technician Stanley continued to operate the board from a prone position; he left his post only when he was ordered to close the installation after the area had been evacuated. His calmness, disregard for personal safety, and efficient operation of the switchboard helped to maintain control of a difficult situation. Home address: Mr. George Stanley, (father), R.F.D. #3, Grass Lake, Michigan.

II. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART:

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Lieutenant Colonel GEORGE A. BOND, JR., (0295771), General Staff Corps, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Colasian Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Alice Marie Bond, (wife), 1506 East Fanning Street, Marshall, Texas.

Major DAYTON W. GARLICK, (0441643), Signal Corps, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Colasian Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 November 1944. Home address: Arthur D. Garlick, (father), 68 Altyre Street, Waterbury, Connecticut.

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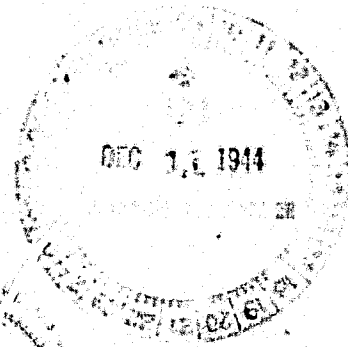
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REVISION OF GENERAL ORDERS I
AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER II

I. REVISION OF GENERAL ORDERS:

So much of Section II, General Orders Number 93, Headquarters 32d Infantry Division, 22 November 1944, as awards the Bronze Star Medal to Major LEONARD E. GARRETT, 0380615, General Staff Corps, is rescinded.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Major Leonard E. Garrett by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, section II, General Orders Number 5, 19 January 1943, a second Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Major LEONARD E. GARRETT, (0380615), General Staff Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Afua, New Guinea, on 18 July 1944. Major Garrett went forward to the command post of an endangered sector during a critical phase of a campaign. He remained there throughout several enemy attacks, transmitting orders and outlining the desires of the Commanding General. He left the area to return to his normal duties only after reinforcements had arrived and the enemy's offensive spirit had been broken. Major Garrett's courage, sound judgement, and his determination to make certain that the orders of the Commanding General were obeyed to the letter were a contributing factor to the shattering of the enemy's determined attacks. Home address: Mrs. Leonard E. Garrett, (wife), 2120 Broadway Street, Apartment 1, Beaumont, Texas.

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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 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Colonel MERLE H HOWE, (O131962), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Afua, New Guinea, from 19 July 1944 to 30 July 1944. Home address: Mrs. Virginia M Howe, (wife), 621 Deming Street S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR I ✓
AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL II ✓
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL III ✓

I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant ROYAL J TAYLOR, (20638102), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Marubutan, New Guinea, on 13 and 14 May 1944. Sergeant Taylor, a mortar observer at a forward command post, repulsed three separate enemy attacks during the night of 13-14 May 1944. On all three occasions he allowed the enemy to approach within ten yards before firing and dispersing them. Following each withdrawal, the enemy placed machine guns and small arms fire on Sergeant Taylor's position. Braving this fire, Sergeant Taylor left his foxhole three times to telephone information of enemy positions to a mortar crew, and twice to replace ineffective weapons. Throughout his gallant action, Sergeant Taylor drove off three enemy attacks, killed several of the enemy, and silenced an enemy machine gun. Home address: Eli Taylor, (father), Bark River, Michigan.

Captain ROBERT E VICK, (01291550), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Afua, New Guinea, on 3 August 1944. A counterattack personally led by Captain Vick was halted by heavy enemy machine gun and mortar fire. Disregarding his personal safety, Captain Vick crawled forward to the top of a hill where he was later joined by two sergeants. After throwing grenades, he succeeded in setting up a light machine gun, placed fire on the enemy, and ordered the sergeants back to secure more grenades and men. When enemy firing ceased, Captain Vick located two heavy enemy machine guns. Although he had no way of knowing whether the enemy had abandoned their positions or were lying in wait, he advanced to the enemy guns, covered only by the fire of the two sergeants, who had by this time rejoined him. He returned, carrying a heavy machine gun, and reported that the enemy had entirely abandoned their positions. Captain Vick's courageous, daring, and aggressive action, and the accuracy and effectiveness of his fire, resulted in the rout of the enemy; the capture of four heavy machine guns, two light machine guns, several rifles, and a quantity of ammunition; the killing of many enemy; and the securing of the entire battalion defensive line. Home address: Mrs. Marie L. Vick, (grandmother), 323 College Street, Greenville, Kentucky.

II. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

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Technician Fifth Grade MIL O J BUNDA, (36204946), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Afua, New Guinea, on 26 July 1944. When communications between two battalions were severed, Technician Bunda volunteered to attempt to locate the break in the line, although he knew that enemy troops armed with automatic weapons were in the area. Disregarding the danger, he moved out, checking the line as he went. When he had proceeded about two hundred yards, he was killed by an enemy grenade. In giving his life while displaying courageous devotion to duty, Technician Bunda valiantly upheld the highest traditions of the United States Army. Next of kin: Mrs. Agnes Bunda, (mother), 2947 North 28th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Sergeant WALTER J ZUCHOWSKI, (35280081), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Afua, New Guinea, on 27 July 1944. Sergeant Zuchowski and another enlisted man voluntarily left covered positions to crawl to the aid of a seriously wounded soldier who lay thirty yards from them. In bringing him to safety they deliberately exposed themselves to heavy enemy machine gun fire. The courageous action of Sergeant Zuchowski and his companion saved the life of a wounded comrade. Sergeant Zuchowski was killed in action in the performance of his duty on 2 August 1944. Next of kin: Mr. Joseph Zuchowski, (father), 169 Bacon Street, Rossford, Ohio.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) JOHN F. FAZIO, (35215465), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Afua, New Guinea, on 25 July 1944. When the platoon to which he was attached was withdrawn so that a mortar barrage might be placed on enemy position, Sergeant Fazio volunteered to remain behind as mortar observer. His position was exposed to heavy small arms fire from the enemy, who were only thirty yards away. He directed the barrage successfully and then withdrew to the new platoon perimeter. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Sergeant Fazio reflect great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Gaspra Fazio, (mother), 44 18th Street, Wheeling, West Virginia.

Technical Sergeant MARTIN A KUBIK, (35047301), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Afua, New Guinea, on 27 July 1944. Sergeant Kubik and another enlisted man voluntarily left covered positions to crawl to the aid of a seriously wounded soldier who lay thirty yards from them. In bringing him to safety they deliberately exposed themselves to heavy enemy machine gun fire. The courageous action of Sergeant Kubik and his companion saved the life of a wounded comrade. Home address: Mrs. Rose Kubik, (mother), 5986 Edgemoor Drive, Parma Heights, Ohio.

Technical Sergeant LOUIS E MILLER, (20646108), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Tiver, New Guinea, on 16 July 1944. When the leading element of his platoon was halted during an advance, Sergeant Miller, in the face of heavy enemy fire, advanced to within five yards of those men and furnished covering fire with a

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machine gun. During the action Sergeant Miller was wounded in the face and in the leg. However, he remained in position, firing his weapon, while his men returned to the perimeter which the platoon had formed. Although he had been urged to return to the rear for medical attention, Sergeant Miller held his position for thirty minutes, and accepted medical treatment only when enemy fire had subsided. His gallant action served as an inspiration to the men of his platoon. Home address: Mrs. Delia Miller, (mother), Route #2, Box 308, Rhinolander, Wisconsin.

Private CHARLES E SMITH, (14071085), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Afua, New Guinea, on 25 July 1944. Private Smith, voluntarily acting as load scout for a combat patrol, was fired on by two enemy. He advanced, killed both, and continued to move forward. When he observed a large enemy force preparing an ambush, he signalled the patrol, then, in the face of heavy fire, crawled towards a machine gun position. He threw a grenade, killing two enemy, and captured the weapon. Private Smith, by his fearless and aggressive action, enabled the patrol to launch an attack which resulted in the killing of several enemy, the rout of the remainder, and the capture of a second machine gun. Home address: Mrs. Cliff Smith, (mother), Route #4, Meridian, Mississippi.

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR	I
AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL	II
AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL	III

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant (then Private) STEWART E ROBINSON, (36152026), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Aitape, New Guinea, on 29 July 1944. During a battalion maneuver, the enemy launched a powerful counterattack on a flank so suddenly that the men in that area were pinned down before a defense perimeter could be established. In the face of intense automatic weapons and small arms fire, Sergeant Robinson set up a heavy machine gun, unaided, at a point offering neither cover nor concealment. So accurate and effective was his fire that enemy fire diminished to a degree which enabled our forces to build up a firing line and drive back the enemy. Sergeant Robinson's courageous and daring action served as an inspiration to the men of his battalion. Home address: Mrs. Clara Robinson, (mother), Camden, Michigan.

II. AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL:

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, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class TONY L PAZERO, (36063166), Infantry, United States Army. For heroism near Aitape, New Guinea, on 26 September 1944. When a landing craft was hit broadside by a large wave, the impact threw two men overboard. Aware of the extreme danger from the heavy surf and the nearness of the craft's propeller, Private Pazero unhesitatingly dived into the water and swam to the aid of the two men. He brought one safely to shore and assisted in rescuing the other. Private Pazero's courageous and prompt action undoubtedly saved the lives of two comrades. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Pazero, (mother), R. R. #1, Kiowa, Oklahoma.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) EUGENE P DE LEON, (01301621), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military

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operations against the enemy near Nyaparako, New Guinea, on 26 May 1944. A reconnaissance patrol which was led deep into enemy held territory by Lieutenant DeLeon was unavoidably detected, and a fire fight ensued. When the patrol was pinned down by enemy machine gun fire, Lieutenant DeLeon calmly moved forward, in the face of that fire, located enemy positions, and killed one of the enemy. Following his example, his men aggressively advanced and killed several more of the enemy. Lieutenant DeLeon then safely withdrew the patrol without casualty and continued on his mission. His courage, aggressiveness, and able leadership made possible the successful accomplishment of the patrol's mission. Home address: Mrs. Jeanette H. DeLeon, (mother), 4131 Los Ceritos, Lakewood Village, California.

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By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) ALBERT D SANTILLO, (20638746), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Saider and Mitape, New Guinea, from 22 February 1944 to 1 August 1944. Home address: Mrs. Albert D Santillo, (wife), 4112 Joseph Campau Avenue, Detroit, Michigan. ✓

Technical Sergeant LOUIS L WASSO, (36155952), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Afua, New Guinea, on 30 July 1944. Sergeant Wasso went to the aid of a number of wounded who lay helpless in a position exposed to enemy fire. He succeeded in removing all to a place of safety, where he administered first aid. When necessary, he improvised litters and detailed men to assist him in removing the wounded. Throughout the entire period he was exposed to enemy machine gun and small arms fire. Sergeant Wasso's courageous and devoted conduct undoubtedly saved the lives of many of the men and eased the pain of the remainder. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Wasso, (mother), 202 Beech Street, Three Oaks, Michigan. ✓

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL III. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Captain GEORGE A FENGER, (0309711), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Pinamopoan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 20 and 22 November 1944. On 20 November Captain Fenger led a small group in an attack which removed an enemy road block and established contact with friendly forces. During the early morning hours of 22 November, he contacted friendly forces to coordinate plans for an attack, traveling through enemy infested territory in order to do so. At dawn, under heavy small arms and automatic weapons fire, he made a reconnaissance of enemy positions. The ensuing attack, which he personally led, was successful, the enemy force being annihilated and a quantity of equipment being captured. Throughout all actions, Captain Fenger exposed himself to known danger, and his courage and aggressive leadership made possible the accomplishment of all missions. Home address: Mr. Albert Fenger, (father), Oxford Creamery Co., Oxford, Mississippi.

First Lieutenant CHARLES L POTTER, JR., (0416393), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Afua, New Guinea, on 25 July 1944. An attempt to rescue a wounded man failed when the soldier attempting the rescue was himself wounded. Lieutenant Potter deliberately moved beyond the perimeter in order to draw the enemy fire, thus enabling a litter squad to move forward, reach the wounded man, and return him to safety within the perimeter. Lieutenant Potter's gallant action undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. C. E. Potter, (mother), Cowpens, South Carolina.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944, (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

First Lieutenant EUGENE E COCHRANE, (01300603), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Afua, New Guinea, on 29 July 1944. During an enemy counterattack, Lieutenant Cochran organized a defensive line, placed automatic weapons in advantageous positions, and moved amongst his men, encouraging and advising them. He was constantly exposed to enemy machine gun, mortar, and rifle fire. Lieutenant Cochran's courage and able leadership inspired his men, who repulsed the

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enemy attack. Home address: Mrs. Nellie Cochrane, (mother), 1508 Hedding Street, San Jose, California.

Staff Sergeant KEITH I TABBERER, (36163709), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Afua, New Guinea, on 25 July 1944. Sergeant Tabberer went to the aid of a wounded soldier who lay in an exposed position. The route to be traversed was covered by heavy enemy fire. After he reached the wounded man, Sergeant Tabberer was himself seriously wounded. He then crawled back to our lines over the same hazardous route to summon further help for the wounded soldier, who was eventually rescued. Sergeant Tabberer's courageous action made possible the saving of a wounded comrade's life. Home address: Tom A Tabberer, (brother), Route #2, Kingsley, Michigan.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL	I
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AWARD OF PURPLE HEART	III

I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant WILLIAM F WHEELER, (38157961), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Afua, New Guinea, on 26 July 1944. Sergeant Wheeler left a protected position and, in the face of heavy mortar and grenade fire, went to the aid of a seriously wounded soldier. He rendered first aid and summoned help to carry the wounded man to safety. Sergeant Wheeler's courageous action undoubtedly saved the life of a comrade. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle Wheeler, (mother General Delivery, Lehigh, Oklahoma.

II. AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9542-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Captain (then First Lieutenant) PETER J ALFANO, (0391533), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight near Saidor, New Guinea, from 2 January 1944 to 28 February 1944. Flights on reconnaissance, observation, supply, and propaganda missions were made in an unarmored liaison, L-4, airplane, over territory where enemy fire was encountered. Home address: Mrs. Aileen W Alfano, (wife), 224 Wood Street, Bristol, Rhode Island.

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, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Technician Fifth grade CLYDE F EDWARDS, (34732522), Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Colasian Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. Home address: Nancy T Blankenship, (grandmother), RR #2, Erwin, Tennessee.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL
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I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Corporal (then Private First Class) RICHARD E. BROWN, (20354382), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 and 24 November 1944. On 22 November Corporal Brown acted as lead scout for a reconnaissance patrol. On three separate occasions he detected well concealed enemy positions, saving the patrol from being ambushed. On 24 November, again acting as lead scout, he located an enemy outpost, and, together with the second scout, killed the enemy manning it. Corporal Brown's vigilance and courage made possible the successful accomplishments of his patrol's missions. Home address: Mrs. Amelia Tallman, (mother), 720 Chestnut Street, Waukegan, Illinois.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to Captain Peter J. Alfano by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, section II, General Orders Number 101, 16 December 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942). The citation is as follows:

Captain (then First Lieutenant) PETER J. ALFANO, (0391533), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight at Yami Point, New Guinea, on 22 April 1944. When extremely bad weather conditions prevented friendly planes from reaching their home bases, Captain Alfano, flying a liaison, L-4, airplane, by skillful piloting, guided a flight of P-58's and a flight of A-20's to safe landings at a nearby airstrip. Home address: Mrs. Miloen W. Alfano, (wife), 224 Wood Street, Bristol, Rhode Island.

III. REVOCATION OF AWARD OF THE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL:

So much of General Orders No. 43, Headquarters 32d Infantry Division, 26 May 1944, as awards a Good Conduct Medal to Sergeant ALBERT C. JOHNSON, 39383039, Company L, 126th Infantry, is revoked.

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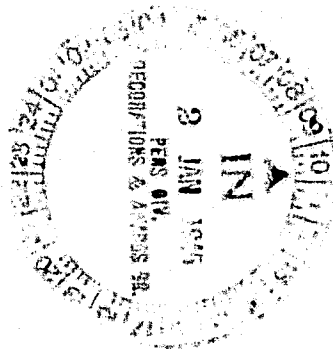
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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:


Staff Sergeant CHARLES D HOSKINSON, (35515350), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 24 December 1944. Home address: Bertha Hoskinson, (mother), 9214 Madison Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

Lieutenant Colonel JOSEPH E WHELAN, (0349114), Chaplain Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 24 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Walter E. Whelan, (mother), 260 West Grand Boulevard, Detroit, Michigan.

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AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR.....I
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.....II

I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Colonel RAYMUND G STANTON, (016929), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 28 November 1944. Colonel Stanton personally directed his regiment in an assault against an enemy-held ridge which commanded the approach to a strategically important highway. The enemy was strongly entrenched in well dug-in emplacements and pillboxes, and extremely rough terrain and torrential rains made maneuvering of troops difficult. Colonel Stanton remained with the assault battalion throughout, constantly exposing himself to enemy fire in order to direct the attack. His courage and aggressive leadership encouraged his men and inspired them to a successful completion of the mission, an accomplishment which contributed materially to the success of the Ormoc Valley operation. Home address: Mrs. Genevieve V Stanton, (wife), 4607 Connecticut Avenue, Washington, District of Columbia.

Lieutenant Colonel FREDERICK R STOFFT, (0273771), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Lonoy, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 21 and 22 December 1944. Lieutenant Colonel Stofft personally directed his regiment in an attack on the last enemy strongpoint in the Ormoc Valley. He remained with the most forward elements of his regiment throughout the entire attack, constantly exposing himself to enemy fire in order to direct his troops and encourage individuals. The attack was overwhelmingly successful; enemy positions were overrun, extremely high casualties were inflicted, and a large quantity of materiel was captured. Lieutenant Colonel Stofft's inspiring leadership and gallant disregard for personal safety made possible the success of the attack which eliminated the last major enemy resistance in the Ormoc Corridor. Home address: Mrs. F. R. Stofft, (wife), 316 Harrison Avenue, San Antonio, Texas.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

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Major JOHN O GIVENS, (0366613), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 22 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Fatty L Givens, (wife), 2012 N.W. 20th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Lieutenant Colonel CHARLES H MEYER, (0325051), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 20 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ivera Meyer, (wife), Ellinger, Texas.

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- AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER I
- AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER II
- AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER III
- AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL IV

I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Major Dayton W. Garlick by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, section II, General Orders Number 93, dated 22 November 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Major DAYTON W. GARLICK, (0441643) Signal Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 29 December 1944. Home address: Mr Arthur D. Garlick, (father), 68 Altyre Street, Waterbury, Connecticut.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Brigadier General Robert B. McBride, Jr, by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section II, General Orders Number 93, dated 22 November 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Brigadier General ROBERT B. McBRIDE, JR, (04451), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 29 December 1944. Home address: Miss Betty Ellen McBride, (daughter), 37 East Maple Road, Indianapolis, Indiana.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel John F. Wurz by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section II, General Orders Number 93, dated 22 November 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

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Lieutenant Colonel JOHN F. WURZ, (0395649), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 29 November 1944. Home address: Mr John F. Wurz, (father), 44 Baynton Avenue, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

IV. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Captain WILLIAM F. BARNES, (0387910), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 29 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Bert Bislinghoff, (mother), 333 North Avalon Street, Memphis, Tennessee.

Major JOHN E. HARBERT, (0408634), Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 29 December 1944. Home address: Mrs Grace Harbert, (wife), 13 Union Court, Pontiac, Michigan.

Major MAURICE C. HOLDEN, (024534), General Staff Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 29 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Nancy E. Holden, (wife), Box 414, Carmel, California.

Major THEODORE E. MACKRELL, (0393456), General Staff Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 29 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Robert F. Mackrell, (father), Mayflower Apartments, 66 Summer Avenue, Buffalo, New York.

Major KENNETH C. SHARRETTs, (0311809), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 29 December 1944. Home address: Mrs Power H. Sharretts, (wife), 315 Overhill Road, Baltimore, Maryland.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, "D", 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Major ROBERT S. FERGUSON, (0410119), General Staff Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 22 November 1944 to 7 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Margaret E. Ferguson, (wife), 1026 North 31st Avenue, Omaha Nebraska.

Captain ROBERT L. HUGHES, (0405802), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 23 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy V. Hughes, (wife), 201 West Osage Street, Bay City, Michigan.

Lieutenant Colonel MERLE G. VALENTINE, (0410372), Finance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 29 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Elsie T. Valentine, (wife), 1315 Park Avenue, Lansing, Michigan.

By command of Major General GILL:

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AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, "D, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Captain HERMAN J BOTTCHE, (0888451), Cavalry, United States Army. Captain Bottcher's patrol was attacked by a vastly numerically superior enemy force. Constantly exposed to enemy machine gun, mortar, and small arms fire, he directed his men so successfully that the attack was repulsed. As the fighting subsided, he arose, and, as he began directing the assembly of the patrol for movement to a stronger position, he was mortally wounded by the burst of a mortar shell. Captain Bottcher courageously gave his life in concern for the welfare of his men. Next of kin: Mrs. Alice Bottcher, (aunt), 239 Ransell Street, San Francisco, California.

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR I
AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL II

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Colonel (then Lieutenant Colonel) ERNEST A. BARLOW, (O16116), General Staff Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action at Bau Plantation, New Guinea, on 10 March 1944. Colonel Barlow accompanied the leading elements of a battalion of his regiment in an advance on enemy positions on the near bank of a river. When the advance was halted, he braved enemy machine gun and sniper fire in order to reach the junior officer in command of the forward elements and impart to him a plan for eliminating enemy resistance. The plan was successfully executed, and the enemy was forced to withdraw across the river. Colonel Barlow's courageous leadership and sound judgement were the determining factor in the success of the engagement. Home address: Mrs. Florence M. Barlow, (wife), 953 Military Drive, Salt Lake City, Utah.

II. AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Major JOHN L. LEHIGH, (O331466), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight near Aitapo, New Guinea, from 17 July 1944 to 16 August 1944. Major Lehigh made repeated flights in unarmored transport planes, risking, and at times encountering, the fire of enemy ground forces in order to drop supplies which were urgently needed by ground troops in combat with the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Mary L. Lehigh, (wife), 630 Buchan Street, Gary, Indiana.

By command of Major General GILL:

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I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Major Gerald A. Palumbo by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 5, section IV, General Orders No. 67, dated 30 August 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Major GERALD A. PALUMBO, (0397068), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 15 November 1944 to 18 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Charlotte W. Palumbo, (wife), 75 Evans Street, Medford, Massachusetts.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Sergeant WILBUR L ALLEN, (6665446), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopoan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 20 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Christine T. Allen, (wife), 1059 South Creston Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky.

Captain MAX ROHR, JR., (0300797), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopoan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 20 November 1944 to 16 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Margie L. Rohr, (wife), 8412 Walker Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Second Lieutenant VERNON H SKEELS, (02036872), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopoan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 20 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Lois H. Skeels, (wife), 2557 North 43d Street, Seattle, Washington.

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III. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART:

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade PEARL BARBER, (34630588), Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 14 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mary Barber, (mother), Foxworth, Mississippi.

Technical Sergeant ALAN F CULVERHOUSE, (12024509), Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Margaret C. Culverhouse, (mother), 30 Lake Avenue, Wilton, New York.

IV. REVOCATION OF AWARD OF THE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL:

So much of General Orders Number 43, Headquarters 32d Infantry Division, dated 26 May 1944, as awards the Good Conduct Medal to Sergeant HAROLD O MINTZ, 37096721, Company C, 126th Infantry, is revoked.

By command of Major General GILL:

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AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR I
AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR II
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL III

I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

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Private JOHN A CURWIN, (31223572), Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Silad Bay, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 31 December 1944. Private Curwin was on guard duty when a large enemy force attacked his patrol's bivouac area. He sighted the enemy and was fired on, but instead of withdrawing to secure aid, he remained at his position and placed fire on the enemy. He was killed at his post, but only after he had held off the enemy long enough for the patrol to organize and form a defense perimeter. Private Curwin gallantly gave his life in order to protect his comrades. Next of kin: Mrs. Edna Curwin, (mother), 106 Lewis Street, Lynn, Massachusetts.

II. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men.

Staff Sergeant LEAMON J. CAGLE, (6966897), Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Silad Bay, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 31 December 1944. When his troop commander was very seriously wounded and a withdrawal was ordered, Sergeant Cagle calmed and directed the men and conducted an orderly movement. Although the enemy, with overwhelming numerical superiority, were attacking with mortar, machine gun, grenade, and small arms fire, he saw to it that radios, converters, and weapons were carried away, to prevent their falling into enemy hands. When the critical condition of the troop commander made halts necessary, Sergeant Cagle each time organized a defense perimeter, moving across terrain subject to enemy fire in order to place men in advantageous positions. Sergeant Cagle's courageous leadership and disregard for personal safety made possible the safe withdrawal of the patrol. Home address: Mrs. Minea Cagle, (mother), Box 172, Dalton County, Georgia.

Sergeant (then Private) FELIX P KLIMAS, (36209679), Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Silad Bay, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 31 December 1944. Sergeant Klimas and another soldier manned a light machine gun during an attack by a vastly numerically superior enemy force. He and his companion were constantly exposed to crossfire from enemy machine guns. Early in the engagement both men were seriously wounded. Although they had been told to leave the gun and withdraw, and despite the

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severity of their wounds, they held their position and manned their gun. During the attack Sergeant Klimas and his companion moved their weapon to alternate positions three times, and twice the gun was literally shot from their hands. After both men had again been wounded, they were forcibly removed from their gun, but not until they had silenced an enemy machine gun and had inflicted many casualties on the enemy. The gallant and courageous action of Sergeant Klimas and his companion delayed the enemy long enough to enable the defending force to organize and effect an orderly withdrawal. Home address: Mrs. Valeria Klimas, (mother), 1416 East 3rd Street, Ashland, Wisconsin.

Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) HERBERT W RODDA, JR., (33135154), Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Silad Bay, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 31 December 1944. Sergeant Rodda and another soldier manned a light machine gun during an attack by a vastly numerically superior enemy force. He and his companion were constantly exposed to cross fire from enemy machine guns. Early in the engagement both men were seriously wounded. Although they had been told to leave the gun and withdraw, and despite the severity of their wounds, they held their position and manned their gun. During the attack Sergeant Rodda and his companion moved their weapon to alternate positions three times, and twice the gun was literally shot from their hands. After both men had again been wounded, they were forcibly removed from their gun, but not until they had silenced an enemy machine gun and had inflicted many casualties on the enemy. The gallant and courageous action of Sergeant Rodda and his companion delayed the enemy long enough to enable the defending force to organize and effect an orderly withdrawal. Home address: Mrs. Ella Rodda, (mother), Box 18, Lopez, Pennsylvania.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade DAVID BINDMAN, (32203343), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Silad Bay, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 31 December 1944. While the patrol of which he was a member was being organized for a withdrawal necessitated by a powerful attack by an overwhelming enemy force, Technician Bindman, on his own initiative, directed six men to take up positions to furnish cover for the assembled unit. Constantly under enemy fire, he placed the men in advantageous positions and directed their fire so successfully that the enemy was halted long enough for the patrol to organize. The successful withdrawal of the patrol to a stronger position was made possible by the courageous action and quick thinking of Technician Bindman. Home address: Mr. Joseph Bindman, (father), 1758 Eastburn Avenue, Bronx, New York.

Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), LESTER A. CARLSON, (33274054), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Agayayan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 15 and 16 December 1944. When the enemy launched a night attack on the

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command post and forced his troop to withdraw to a new position, Sergeant Carlson, with three other men, a machine gun, converters, and a radio, was separated from the main body. The night was extremely dark, and one of the men was seriously wounded. Sergeant Carlson led the group, cared for the wounded man, and remained in a concealed position, in the area infested by the enemy, throughout the night. At daylight he led the group and carried the equipment through the enemy lines to his troop's new area. Sergeant Carlson, by his courage and coolness, protected the wounded men and prevented valuable equipment from falling into enemy hands. Home address: Mr John Carlson, (father), R.F.D., #2, Sheffield, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), ROY B DAVIS, (31358174), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Campokpok, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 29 December 1944. When an enemy force launched a surprise night attack on a small group of men who occupied a hut, most of the men escaped from the hut and withdrew to safety. Technician Davis, while under small arms fire at short range, and in complete darkness, disassembled and packed a radio and passed it through a window to an officer. Then he also left the hut and joined his comrades. Technician Davis, by his courageous action, performed at the risk of his life, prevented valuable equipment from falling into the hands of the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Shirley Smith, (sister); 4 River Road, Calis, Maine.

Technician Third Grade LEIGHTON G. FIELD, (20655947), Medical Department, United States Army, For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mr. George Field, (father) 3008 North 76th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Sergeant TONY G. GAIDOSIK, (20656851), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Gaidosik, (mother), 2140 North First Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Corporal (then Private) WILLIAM J. HAJEK, (12156150), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Cajegan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 23 December 1944. Three enemy came forward in the midst of a group of civilians, presumably to surrender to an officer. As they neared the officer, the enemy suddenly opened fire on him. Corporal Hajek quickly stood erect and fired on the enemy from a totally unprotected position. He killed two of them and wounded the third. Corporal Hajek's prompt action, performed with disregard for his personal safety, undoubtedly saved the officer from death or serious injury. Home address: Mrs. Anna Hajek, (mother), 102 Quincey Street, Hempstead, New York.

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Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM A. INMAN, (20630392), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Silad Bay, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 31 December 1944. Technician Inman led a small party through enemy lines, protecting several wounded who were being evacuated. After guiding the wounded to safety, he returned to rejoin his troop. He again led his party through enemy lines, and, since his troop had meanwhile moved, it was necessary for him to search in territory infested with the enemy until he found its position. By his courageous and skillful leadership, Technician Inman conducted wounded to safety and led a badly needed group of men to his troop's position. Home address: Mrs. Mae Inman, (mother), 314 Vine Street, Traverse City, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant ELMER O ZIEGLER, (36204922), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Silad Bay, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 31 December 1944. The patrol of which Sergeant Ziegler was a member was attacked and surrounded by an overwhelming enemy force. Although he was under constant enemy mortar and machine gun fire, he continued to operate his radio, and, after many unsuccessful attempts, he succeeded in contacting an adjacent unit and called for assistance and badly needed medical supplies. Sergeant Ziegler's courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mr. Arno Ziegler, (father), 1633 North 16th Street, Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

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AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

✓ Captain EDWARD CONNOLLY, (0888293), Chaplain's Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. When an enemy artillery shell caused several casualties, Chaplain Connolly ran to the scene. He remained with the casualties for a period of one hour, administering first aid to the wounded and absolution to the dying. During the entire period enemy artillery shells fell in the area, many within one hundred yards of him. At the first opportunity he stopped a passing vehicle and directed the removal of the wounded to a hospital. Chaplain Connolly, by his courageous action and disregard for personal safety, undoubtedly saved the lives of the wounded men. Home address: Mr. Edward Connolly, (father), 1113 Sloan Street, Scranton, Pennsylvania.

✓ Major TIMOTHY C DOHERTY, (0343948), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. When enemy artillery caused several casualties, Major Doherty went to the aid of the wounded. In spite of the fact that shells continued to fall in and around the area throughout the period he remained there, he moved amongst the wounded, administering first aid and organizing litter squads. Major Doherty's courageous action, performed at the risk of his life undoubtedly saved the lives of many of the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Catherine E. Doherty, (mother), 50 Iffley Road, Jamaica Plains, Massachusetts.

Sergeant DECK O HALL, (37181122), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Pinamoposan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. Three assaults were required to dislodge the enemy from strong positions on the crest of a hill. Sergeant Hall and another soldier were in the lead in all three attacks. In the third assault he and his companion, braving heavy enemy machine gun, grenade, and small arms fire, charged a machine gun, killed the gunner, and silenced the weapon. Both men were seriously wounded. The gallant action of Sergeant Hall and his comrade contributed greatly to the success of the attack. Home address: Mrs. Margaret H. Hall, (wife), 1431 Linden Street, Oakland, California.

Captain EDMUND B McKINSTRY, (0456245), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 23 November 1944 to 7 December 1944. Captain McKinstry led his company in five assaults on strongly defended enemy positions. Banzai

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counterattacks halted his advance on several occasions, but under his aggressive and inspiring direction the mission was successfully accomplished. In a later action, Captain McKinstry led eight attacks against another strong enemy position. Although he was painfully wounded in the initial assault, he refused hospitalization and continued to direct his company to the successful gaining of its objective. In all attacks, he was in the forefront, constantly exposed to heavy enemy fire. Captain McKinstry, by his aggressive and courageous leadership, inspired the men of his company to the accomplishment of difficult feats in the face of great odds. Home address Mrs. Dora V. McKinstry, (wife), 1016 16th Avenue South, Nashville, Tennessee.

Private First Class LAURENCE E PATTON, (34577873), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Pinamopoan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. During an attack on a strongly entrenched enemy position on the crest of a hill, Private Patton and an officer moved within five yards of an enemy machine gun which was laying down heavy fire on our troops. Using rifles and grenades, they silenced the gun, but both were seriously wounded. Private Patton's valiant action, performed with disregard for his personal safety, was a major factor in the success of the attack which resulted in the killing of many enemy, the rout of the remainder, and the capture of much materiel. Home address: Mrs. Ida G. Patton, (mother), Route #2, Blue Ridge, Georgia.

Private First Class JAMES REYNOLDS, (33526986), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Pinamopoan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. Three assaults were required to dislodge the enemy from strong positions on the crest of a hill. Private Reynolds and another soldier were in the lead in all three attacks. In the third assault he and his companion, braving heavy enemy machine gun, grenade, and small arms fire, charged a machine gun, killed the gunner, and silenced the weapon. Both men were seriously wounded. The gallant action of Private Reynolds and his comrade contributed greatly to the success of the attack. Home address: Mrs. Flossie Reynolds, (mother), Route #3, Jonesville, Virginia.

First Lieutenant ROBERT J STALLMAN, (01300409), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Pinamopoan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. Lieutenant Stallman located and killed a sniper, exposing himself to enemy fire in order to do so. Later the same day, during an attack, he again subjected himself to heavy fire, charged an enemy machine gun, and silenced it. Lieutenant Stallman's gallant action served as an inspiration to his men and contributed greatly to the success of the attack. Home address: Mrs. Josephine L. Stallman, (mother), 516 Fountain Street, Albert Lea, Minnesota.

Second Lieutenant CARLTON O TIDRICK, (02036712), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Pinamopoan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. During an attack on a strongly entrenched enemy position on the crest of a hill, Lieutenant

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Tidrick and an enlisted man moved within five yards of an enemy machine gun which was laying down heavy fire on our troops. Using rifles and grenades, they silenced the gun, but both were seriously wounded. Lieutenant Tidrick's valiant action, performed with disregard for his personal safety, was a major factor in the success of the attack, which resulted in the killing of many enemy, the rout of the remainder, and the capture of much materiel. Home address: Mrs. Alice Tidrick, (mother), Belton, Montana.

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I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Corporal John H. Gakemeier by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 4, section V, General Orders Number 91, dated 1 November 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Corporal JOHN H. GAKEMEIER, (37262556), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. Corporal Gakemeier and another aid man crawled over open ground to reach a wounded soldier. They moved him to a position affording partial protection and administered plasma, after which they placed him on a litter and returned him to a safe position. Throughout the entire action they were subject to sniper fire. The courageous action of Corporal Gakemeier and his companion undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded man. Home address: Mrs. John A. Gakemeier, (wife), 134 North 18th Street, Apartment 2, Lincoln, Nebraska.

II. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944, (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant LAWRENCE E. PITCAITHLEY, (16826202), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. During an attack on a strong enemy position on the crest of a hill, Sergeant Pitcaithley protected a flank of his company with his squad. His aggressive charge led him ahead of the company, and he engaged in hand to hand combat with the enemy. He was killed in this action. Sergeant Pitcaithley's aggressive and courageous leadership inspired the men of his company, and the attack was successful. Next of kin: Mrs. Gurnie Pitcaithley, (mother), 122 North 8th Street, Beatrice, Nebraska.

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III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. When enemy artillery fire caused many casualties, these men left their protected positions to go to the aid of the wounded. Although shells continued to fall in the area, causing additional casualties, they continued uninterruptedly, administering first aid and acting as litter bearers, until all the wounded were evacuated. The heroic conduct of these men saved many lives:

Technician Fifth Grade FRANCIS L. BRESSON, (35595132), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Lucy B. Bresson, (mother), 214 West Gorgas, Louisville, Ohio.

Private First Class WILLIAM A. DAVIS, (37210248), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Vera Mae Davis, (wife), 1816 East Wall Street, Fort Scott, Kansas.

Private First Class GERALD W. DEAN, (39206042), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Esther P. Ivy, (mother), Route #1, Monroe, Washington.

Private THOMAS D. HART, (36645378), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. John Hart, (brother), 7040 Stewart Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class CARL R. JONES, (36475650), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Dora Jones, (wife), 1200 Tyler Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

Private First Class RICHARD W. JONES, (36155990), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary Jones, (mother), Marcellus, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant JAMES P. LITZENBERGER, (36205117), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Litzenberger, (mother), 770 Lewis Street, Burlington, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade TONY F. LANNINA, (36111040), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Rose Lannina, (mother), 4442 Beniteau Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class LAURENCE H. MILLER, JR., (34590483), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Lena E. Miller, (mother), Box 3, High Shoals, North Carolina.

Private First Class ERNEST W. NEWTON, JR., (38080049), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Viola Newton, (mother), 506 West 6th Street, Quanah, Texas.

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Technician Fifth Grade CLARENCE J. WALTERS, (35336487), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Raymond Walters, (father), Coldwater, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant OMAR O. WHITE, (38062678), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Calvin T. White, (father), Weleetka, Oklahoma.

IV. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944, (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 23 and 24 November 1944. While their company was attacking strong enemy positions, two of these men manned a light machine gun on one flank and the other two manned a like weapon on the other flank. Both positions were exposed and frequently subject to enemy machine gun and sniper fire. The men remained at their posts, delivering effective fire on enemy positions, for twelve hours. The courage with which they held their dangerous positions, combined with the telling effect of their fire, played an important part in the success of the operation:

Private First Class BUFORD HIGGS, (34359309), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary S. Higgs, (mother), Route #1, Collins, Georgia.

Sergeant HERBERT E. HINKLEY, (39383110), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ida B. Hinkley, (mother), General Delivery, Pollack, Idaho.

Private First Class HERMAN J. SOUCIE, (31147118), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude Soucie, (mother), Winterville, Maine.

Private First Class ALBERT E. SPEAROT, (31145535); Infantry; United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Spearot, (mother), 728 Broadview Terrace, Hartford, Connecticut.

V. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant EVERETT C. REESE, (20647945), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. When an attack was halted

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Under heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Reese led a squad over difficult terrain to a position on the enemy's flank. There he skillfully employed his men and laid down a heavy volume of fire, enabling the remainder of the company to continue the attack and gain its objective. Sergeant Reese's valiant action contributed greatly to the success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Alice Klug, (mother), 1013 Sanborn Street, Jefferson, Wisconsin.

Captain LOUIS A. SASS, (0323945), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Pinamopoan-Limon Area, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 30 November 1944 to 11 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Elsie R. Sass, (wife), 2856 South Millard Street, Chicago, Illinois.


Private WILLIAM C. SCHOBEL, (36292502), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. Private Schobel and another aid man crawled over open ground to reach a wounded soldier. They moved him to a position affording partial protection and administered plasma, after which they placed him on a litter and returned him to a safe position. Throughout the entire action they were subject to sniper fire. The courageous action of Private Schobel and his companion undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded man. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Schobel, (wife), 4906 West Crystal Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Sergeant EARL B. SILLS, (34036829), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopoan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. Sergeant Sills led his squad in three separate company assaults on a firmly entrenched enemy position. Although enemy fire was very heavy, he was in the forefront in all three attacks, disregarding his personal safety in order to direct and control his squad and to employ effectively the weapon with which he was armed. The heroic and aggressive leadership of Sergeant Sills helped considerably to make the success of the third assault possible. Home address: Mrs. Lillian P. Sills, (mother), Route #2, New London, North Carolina.

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I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private DWED W. CHASE, (39143857), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Ormos, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 December 1944. When an enemy force launched a night attack against a regimental command post, Private Chase continued to perform his duty as switchboard operator, even after the defending troops were forced to withdraw and the switchboard installation was isolated. When he was instructed to leave his post, he fought his way through the enemy, and, although he was wounded, safely reached the newly formed perimeter, where he apologized for abandoning his post. The courageous devotion to duty of Private Chase reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mr. Charles M. Chase, (father), 1679 46th Avenue, San Francisco, California.

Captain EUGENE FROST, JR., (0438707), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 20 December 1944. While leading his company in an attack, Captain Frost was painfully wounded during the initial exchange of fire. He refused medical attention and continued to direct his company, always well to the forefront. Only when the objective was successfully taken did he consent to being evacuated. Captain Frost's gallant and courageous leadership inspired his men and contributed materially to the success of the attack. Home address: Mrs. Margaret M. Frost, (mother), 14 Washington Square North, New York, New York.

Second Lieutenant ROYALE L. STEELE, (01032396), Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Baranbang, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 31 December 1944. When an overwhelming enemy force attacked and surrounded his troop's position, Lieutenant Steele rallied his platoon, directed it, and coordinated its fire with that of the other platoon of the force so effectively that the attack was repulsed. He moved, through heavy enemy fire, from one position to another, placing men in advantageous positions, and instilling confidence and determination in individuals. After the initial attack had been repulsed, he led a small patrol through territory infested by the enemy, reconnoitered for an escape route, returned, and guided the troop to a stronger position. Lieutenant Steele's aggressive and calm leadership, his lack of concern for personal safety, and his inspiring courage were of immeasurable importance in the controlling and relieving of a perilous situation. Home address: Mrs. Rhoda A. Steele, (wife), 1 West 85th Street, New York, New York.

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Second Lieutenant LOUIS J. WORTHAM, (01031606), Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Baranbang, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 31 December 1944. When an overwhelming enemy force attacked and surrounded his troop's position, Lieutenant Wortham rallied his platoon, directed it, and coordinated its fire with that of the other platoon of the force so effectively that the attack was repulsed. He moved, through heavy enemy fire, from one position to another, placing men in advantageous positions, and instilling confidence and determination in individuals. After the initial attack had been repulsed, he assembled the troop, collected the wounded and dead, and prepared for movement to a stronger position. As the troop withdrew, he remained behind with five men to furnish covering fire. Lieutenant Wortham's aggressive and calm leadership, his lack of concern for personal safety, and his inspiring courage were of immeasurable importance in the controlling and relieving of a perilous situation. Home address: Mr. William B. Wortham, (father), Center, Texas.

II. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant DONALD H. ANEY, (20645380), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Tagbong-Monte Allegre-Taygaytay area, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 23 December 1944 to 25 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Lillian Aney, (mother), R.F.D. #2, Norwalk, Wisconsin. *X only*

Staff Sergeant ROY A. VLADICK, (36271924), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Leyte River, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 1 December 1944. When the patrol which he led was ambushed by a large enemy party, Sergeant Vladick hastily organized a perimeter. He then left the perimeter to crawl to the aid of his lead scout, who lay wounded in a position exposed to enemy fire. He dragged the wounded man behind a log and administered first aid. While returning to the perimeter for further assistance he was mortally wounded. Sergeant Vladick gave his life in order to aid a wounded comrade. Next of kin: Mr. John Vladick, (father), 1113 Single Avenue, Wausau, Wisconsin.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant WALTER A. BAJDEK, (36155598), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Ormoc, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 December 1944. When an enemy force launched a night attack on a regimental command post, forcing the defenders to withdraw, Sergeant Bajdek was isolated with a small group of men, one of whom was very seriously wounded. Sergeant Bajdek fought his way to the perimeter and returned with an aid man. He then once more made his way to the perimeter and reported the disposition of enemy troops, information which enabled his company commander to take action to force the enemy to withdraw.

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Sergeant Bajdek's heroic conduct helped save the life of a wounded man and made possible the repulse of the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Victoria Hogan, (mother), 565 Fremont Avenue, N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

First Lieutenant ARTHUR W. GIST, (02035089), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 23 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy I. Gist, (wife), Albridge Avenue, Carrimal East, New South Wales, Australia.

Private DAVID O. VERDUGO, (39573169), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. Private Verdugo went to the aid of a wounded soldier who lay twenty-five yards beyond the company perimeter. As he crawled forward he was wounded, but he continued, reached the wounded man, administered first aid, and dragged him to safety. Private Verdugo's courageous action, performed at the risk of his life, undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Ramona Kuivenhoven, (sister), 5225 Town Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Private First Class LAWRENCE W. WOLTER, (35251597), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. Private Wolter went to the aid of a seriously wounded soldier. He braved heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire, reached the wounded man, and dragged him to safety. Private Wolter, by his heroic action, undoubtedly saved the life of a wounded comrade. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Wolter, (mother), Greensburg, Indiana.

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AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR I
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I. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant LLOYD E. FISHER, (37010171), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 29 November 1944. When the mortar section was separated from the remainder of his platoon by enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Fisher, in the face of that fire, returned to the mortar section, deliberately drawing enemy fire to himself. At the same time, he directed the mortar section to rejoin the platoon by a circuitous route while enemy fire was diverted to him. He was killed in this action. Sergeant Fisher's gallant, self-sacrificing act permitted the mortar section to rejoin the platoon and furnish valuable support in the ensuing attack. Next of kin: Mr. George E. Fisher, (father), 415 East 9th Street, Newton, Kansas.

Second Lieutenant JOHN HATLESTAD, (01316751), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 1 December 1944. Lieutenant Hatlestad led a combat patrol composed of two squads. When heavy enemy fire was encountered, one squad was pinned down. Braving the heavy fire, he moved to that squad and hastily reorganized it in preparation for an assault, moving from man to man, offering encouragement and advice. As he moved to the other squad to direct their attack, he was killed. Lieutenant Hatlestad's courageous leadership and coolness under fire so inspired his men that the patrol pushed forward and successfully accomplished its mission. Next of kin: Mrs. John Hatlestad, (wife), Spring Valley, Minnesota.

Private First Class NEAL J. TAMBOER, (36186394), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. When intense enemy fire halted their advance, two platoons were ordered to withdraw. Direct enemy fire and lack of cover made such a movement impossible without excessive casualties. Private Tamboer voluntarily crawled forward in the face of heavy machine gun fire and threw a smoke grenade. He was killed in this action, but his gallant deed enabled the platoons to withdraw under cover of the smoke screen without casualty. Private Tamboer, with heroic self-sacrifice, gave his life to save his comrades. Next of kin: Mrs. Anna Tamboer, (mother), 1361 Plainfield Avenue, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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II. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class ROY S. BRYANT, (34804680), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 5 December 1944. Private Bryant, a medical aid man, risked his life on numerous occasions to rescue wounded men. Although he was himself wounded on two such occasions, he refused evacuation. On 5 December, while braving enemy machine gun and rifle fire in order to remove a wounded man during an enemy attack, he was seriously wounded and evacuated over his protests. Private Bryant's courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Edna M. Bryant, (wife), Star Route, Albertville, Alabama.

Private First Class EDWARD B. MILLS, (37130236), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. When the enemy launched a determined attack, using mortar, grenade, machine gun, and small arms fire, most of the men of a machine gun section were wounded. Private Mills, although he had been wounded, moved into position and alternately manned two machine guns. He also fired on the enemy with various weapons discarded by casualties. Subject to heavy enemy fire, he remained at his post until the enemy attack was dissipated. Private Mills' gallant stand inspired his comrades and was an important factor in the repulse of the enemy attack. Home address: Mr. Bernard Mills, (father), 3111 E.G.G., Tacoma, Washington.

Private First Class NATE SMITH, JR., (39317086), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. Private Smith volunteered to destroy with a rocket launcher an enemy strongpoint which had halted his company's advance. In order to fire the weapon he arose, fully exposed to enemy machine gun, small arms, and grenade fire. On his third attempt he struck his target, after which he charged the strongpoint, and, by rifle fire, killed the remaining five occupants of the position. Private Smith's gallant action made possible the successful completion of his company's mission. Home address: Mrs. Minnie P. Smith, (mother), Dixonville Road, Roseburg, Oregon.

Technician Fifth Grade RUSSELL W. SMITH, (15105220), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Lonoy, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 December 1944. Technician Smith, driving a tractor, accompanied a force of tanks, his duty being to clear the road of disabled enemy tanks. He was continually exposed to sniper fire. As he pushed two flaming tanks from the road, he was endangered by exploding shell fire, but he continued with his task until the road was cleared. Several times, upon locating enemy snipers, he stopped his tractor, and killed them by rifle fire. Technician Smith's calm, courageous conduct reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Rebecca M. Smith, (mother), Box 22, Wilsonburg, West Virginia.

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Sergeant SAMUEL O. VUJOVICH, (37097140), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. When the enemy launched a powerful attack, advancing to within ten yards of his position, Sergeant Vujovich held his ground. Although he was under mortar and grenade fire, and was wounded about the head and face, he continued to fight, throwing hand grenades and firing a rifle and an automatic rifle. He held his position for five hours, shouting encouragement to his comrades, until the enemy withdrew. Sergeant Vujovich's courageous stand made possible the repulse of the enemy attack. Home address: Mrs. Petra Vujovich, (mother), 115 Seventh Avenue North, South St. Paul, Minnesota.

Private First Class MAX L. WHITMORE, (37681110), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. Private Whitmore learned that two men lay wounded in an area exposed to enemy fire. In the face of mortar, grenade, machine gun, and sniper fire, he crawled forward and brought one wounded man to safety. He then returned and rescued the second man. Private Whitmore's gallant action, performed with disregard for his personal safety, undoubtedly saved the lives of the two men. Home address: Mrs. Goldie Whitmore, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Liscomb, Iowa.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers, warrant officer, and enlisted men:

Private First Class DONALD D CRADDICK, (36691170), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. Private Craddick's squad was pinned down by the fire from an enemy machine gun. He crawled to within ten yards of the emplacement, and, by throwing hand grenades, succeeded in silencing it. Private Craddick's heroic action reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Freda G. Craddick, (wife), 108 Brown Court, East Peoria, Illinois.

Captain LE ROY N DANIELSON, (0395416), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. LeRoy N. Danielson, (wife), 333 West Union Street, Waupaca, Wisconsin.

Private First Class PETER P DONATO, (32362632), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. A powerful enemy attack caused several casualties. Private Donato, in the face of heavy mortar, grenade, and small arms fire, moved from man to man, administering first aid. On one occasion he crawled directly through a sniper's lane to help a wounded soldier. Private Donato's courageous devotion to duty was responsible for alleviating the suffering of ten or more men. Home address: Mrs. Laura Donato, (mother), 314 Sycamore Street, Camden, New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM P DUNHAM, (20912176), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 2 December 1944. The combat-reconnaissance patrol of which he was a member encountered an enemy force, and Sergeant Dunham was ordered to attack with his squad. He personally led the attack, but was severely wounded. Nevertheless, he continued to lead his squad until he was ordered to return to the rear for medical attention. Sergeant Dunham's courageous action served as an inspiration to his men. Home address: Mrs. Mae Dunham, (mother), 1509 North Main Street, Santa Ana, California.

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Major CLIFFORD P HANNUM, (0403934), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 and 20 November 1944. Major Hannum volunteered to transmit verbally to a battalion commander an important order from his regimental commander. In order to do so, he travelled at night over a road which was impassible in spots, and through an area known to have been infiltrated by the enemy. He accomplished his mission safely and immediately returned to the regimental command post, under the same difficult conditions. Major Hannum's courageous performance of a hazardous task is in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Helen C. Hannum, (wife), 474 North Randolph Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Colonel JOHN A HETTINGER, (05895), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 28 November 1944 to 12 December 1944. On 28 November Colonel Hettinger moved his command post to a point overlooking terrain which was to be the scene for a planned large-scale operation, even though the area was subject to enemy artillery fire and to attacks by small enemy groups. Later that day, under heavy and accurate enemy artillery fire, he conferred with his battalion commanders and gave exact orders for the attack scheduled for the following morning. During the following two weeks, as the operation progressed, he made numerous visits to front line troops, talking to and encouraging individuals. His coolness under fire and his calm disregard for personal safety inspired the men of his regiment and contributed materially to the success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Frances Hettinger, (wife), 510 West Cheyenne Road, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) DEWEY O LONEY, JR., (37678442), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 7 December 1944. Sergeant Loney volunteered to attempt to destroy an enemy machine gun which had halted his platoon's advance. While a rifleman covered him, he crawled to within twenty feet of the weapon, and, by throwing grenades and firing his rifle, he killed three enemy and silenced the gun. Sergeant Loney's valiant act, performed with disregard for his personal safety, enabled his platoon to gain advantageous positions from which a later counterattack was repulsed. Home address: Mr. Dewey O. Loney, Sr., (father), 2425 S. E. Fifth Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade ANTHONY S MANN, (W2107038), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Mann, (wife), 2991 Trowbridge Street, Hamtramck, Michigan.

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Lieutenant Colonel FRANK W MURPHY, (0370163), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Murphy, (wife), 71 Vine Street, Mt. Pleasant, Pennsylvania.

Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant) WALTON A SMITH, (01686284), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Afua, New Guinea, on 29 July 1944. When a strong enemy counterattack partially disorganized a company perimeter, Lieutenant Smith proceeded to remedy the situation. In darkness, and under enemy machine gun and rifle fire, he reconnoitered the area. He then placed men to fill gaps in the perimeter. Lieutenant Smith's heroic action made possible the successful defense of the sector. Home address: Mr. Eulys G. Smith, (father), 333 Hubbard Street, Jackson, Michigan.

Captain KENNETH L VIRCH, (0888457), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 21 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Amanda Virch, (mother), R. F. D. #1, Peshtigo, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant JOHN VONCK, (36110753), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 24 November 1944 to 7 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Doren Vonck, (father), 1059 Ashland Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) ALVIN WILLIAMS, (38290695), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 2 December 1944. Sergeant Williams' platoon was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire, and several casualties were suffered. He began seeking an escape route by dashing from place to place to determine the safety of each. As he did so, he was continually fired on by the enemy machine gun. He eventually found a safe route and directed the withdrawal of each man of the platoon. By his courageous action and disregard for personal safety, Sergeant Williams withdrew the entire platoon without suffering an additional casualty. Home address: Mrs. Marvean Williams, (wife), Hornersville, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade BENJAMIN W WINNESHEIK, (20648659), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 26 November 1944 to 30 November 1944. Home address: Mr. John Winnesheik, (brother), R. F. D. #2, Neillsville, Wisconsin.

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I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Technician Third Grade ERNEST D ERICKSON by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, section II, General Orders No. 28, dated 6 April 1943, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Technician Third Grade ERNEST D ERICKSON, (37111294), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Finamopon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. Technician Erickson voluntarily left an aid station to rescue a wounded man. He entered a field of heavy enemy fire, assisted him to a partially protected position, bandaged his wounds, and returned with him to the aid station, crossing an enemy fire lane in order to do so. Later the same day he assisted in the evacuation of the wounded. He supervised a litter train moving back and forth along the line, ignoring sniper fire while he directed the movement. Technician Erickson displayed admirable courage and coolness while caring for the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Christine Erickson, (mother), Livermore, Iowa.

II. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant WOODROW O HARREL, (39846228), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 30 November 1944. Immediately after the five man patrol which Sergeant Harrel led had destroyed an enemy machine gun position, a second machine gun opened fire, seriously wounding one man and endangering the entire patrol. Sergeant Harrel ordered his men to withdraw and to take the wounded man with them, while he remained behind to furnish covering fire. During the ensuing fight he was killed. Sergeant Harrel sacrificed his life in order to ensure the safety of his men. Next of kin: Mrs. Daisy Harrel, (mother), Route #1, Exeter, Missouri.

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III. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 45, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant (then Private) EDMUND PIDGEON, (36155641), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Soputa, New Guinea, from 22 November 1942 to 7 January 1943. Although Sergeant Pidgeon often suffered from fever throughout this period, he remained with his company, and, displaying excellent marksmanship, he killed thirty-five enemy. On one occasion he enabled his company to advance by killing seventeen of the enemy while exposed to heavy fire. On another occasion he braved enemy fire in order to observe the exact location of two machine guns, reported his findings, and directed mortar fire which destroyed both guns. Sergeant Pidgeon's courageous conduct reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mr. Sampson Pidgeon, (father), Dorr, Michigan.

Private First Class JOHN H STONE, (34128297), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 December 1944. Private Stone, acting as lead scout, came upon an enemy machine gun emplacement. He attacked with grenades and was wounded in the ensuing action. Before consenting to evacuation he gave his platoon leader exact information concerning several dug-in enemy positions, which enabled the squad to rout the enemy without suffering further casualty. Private Stone's gallant action contributed greatly to the success of the attack. Home address: Mr. Elbert Stone, (father), Route #1, Pacolet, South Carolina.

IV. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major JOHN L LEHIGH, (0331466), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary L. Lehigh, (wife), 630 Buchan Street, Gary, Indiana.

Brigadier General CHARLES B LYMAN, (03590), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasion Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 21 and 22 November 1944. General Lyman took direct charge of an operation against an enemy road block. Although parties of the enemy were known to have infiltrated the area, he remained and supervised the operation until the road block was eliminated. It was after dark when he returned to the division command post, on

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not, over roads on which the enemy was known to be operating. General Lyman, by his encouragement of individuals and disregard for personal safety, inspired the troops involved in the operation to the successful accomplishment of the mission. Home address: Mrs. Polly R. Lyman, (wife), 1717 Foxhall Road, Washington, District of Columbia.

Staff Sergeant FREDERICK W MARIN, (20651323), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 24 December 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Albert F. Marin, (father), 710 West Mineral Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade) OLIVER D MC LAUGHLIN, (36112561), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Allie McLaughlin, (mother), R. F. D. #1, Carelton, Michigan.

Sergeant (then Private) ROBERT C OSWALD, (36112227), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Sanananda, New Guinea, on 25 November 1942. When a company attack was halted by heavy enemy fire and several men of his machine gun squad were wounded, Sergeant Oswald, disregarding his personal safety, placed his machine gun in an advantageous position alone and fired on the enemy. His effective fire drove back the enemy and enabled our forces to continue the attack. Sergeant Oswald's courageous action contributed materially to the success of the engagement. Home address: Mrs. Della Huys, (mother), 5555 14 Mile Road, Warren, Michigan.

First Lieutenant SAMUEL PRESSER, (01302877), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruby D. Presser, (wife), 1975 LaFontaine Avenue, Bronx, New York.

Captain WILLIAM L SHARP, (0373713), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mr. John Sharp, (father), 339 East 69th Street, New York, New York.

Captain JOHN E SWEET, JR., (0376673), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 27 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Eunice B. Sweet, (wife), 24 Vincent Street, Binghamton, New York.

Master Sergeant GORDON A TIMMERMAN, (20645736), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Olga Timmerman, (mother), R. F. D. #2, Box 252, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

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Technician Fourth Grade GEORGE E YOUNG, (37111206), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinampoan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ida Young, (mother), Route #1, Lenox, Iowa.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM D ZAHNISER, (01311462), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 December 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret D. Zahniser, (mother), Box 301, Edinboro, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade BENJAMIN A ZWICKEY, (20645716), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Lonoy, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 20 December 1944. When an enemy machine gun caused several casualties, Technician Zwickey placed himself between the gun and a severely wounded soldier. For fifteen minutes he administered first aid, using his own body to protect the wounded soldier from further injury, while the enemy gun fired intermittently. He then removed the wounded man to safety. Technician Zwickey's courageous action undoubtedly saved his comrade's life. Home address: Mrs. Alma Zwickey, (mother), 363 23rd Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

~~V. REVOCATION OF AWARD OF THE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL:~~

~~So much of General Orders No. 43, this headquarters, dated 26 May 1944, as awards the Good Conduct Medal to Sergeant JOHN P FREDERICK, 20634872, Company E, 126th Infantry, is revoked.~~

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I. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Second Lieutenant JAMES F. BOYCE, (02034495), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 1 December 1944. Lieutenant Boyce led a small patrol whose mission was to determine strength and disposition of enemy defensive positions. When the patrol came under fire, he moved from man to man, disregarding his personal safety in order to place individuals in strategic positions and to organize the patrol for an assault. Under his leadership, his men drove through the enemy's outer defenses and determined the extent and strength of his main defensive positions. Lieutenant Boyce's courageous and aggressive leadership inspired his men to accomplish a difficult mission. He was killed in action on 6 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Alice Boyce, (mother), Humston, Iowa.

Private First Class JOSEPH MC COLLUM, (38477719), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Pinamopon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. When his patrol was overwhelmed by a large enemy force, Private McCollum fought fiercely and killed five of the enemy. When the patrol withdrew, he remained behind to furnish covering fire, and he was the last man to fall back. Private McCollum's gallant action enabled the patrol to withdraw and evacuate the wounded. He was killed in action on 18 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Ruby F. McCollum, (mother), Route #1, Cookville, Texas.

Staff Sergeant MILTON ROSENSTEIN, (34242651), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 22 November 1944. Sergeant Rosentein braved enemy fire to rescue a wounded man. He then traversed a dangerous route to call for mortar fire. Upon his return he armed himself with hand grenades, moved forward, and silenced several enemy gun positions. Sergeant Rosenstein, with no concern for his personal safety, fought daringly and courageously. On 28 November 1944 he died of wounds received in action. Next of kin: Mr. Isadore Rosenstein, (father), Hotel Central, Hunter, New York.

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Staff Sergeant GARELL E. SPENCER, (35251409), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Pinamopon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 25 November 1944. When the patrol which he led was halted by heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Spencer left his covered position and advanced to a vantage point from which he might open fire. He directed his fire on an enemy machine gun, while the remainder of the patrol maneuvered to more advantageous positions. During this action he was killed. Sergeant Spencer courageously sacrificed his life to protect the members of his patrol. Next of kin: Mrs. Jannie Spencer, (mother), Star Route, Marengo, Indiana.

Staff Sergeant MERL TAYLOR, JR., (35484950), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 14 December 1944. While leading his platoon up a ridge, Sergeant Taylor came upon an enemy soldier at an automatic weapon, came to close quarters with him, and killed him in a hand to hand fight. He then continued to lead his platoon up the ridge. As he neared the top he was killed by enemy machine gun fire. Sergeant Taylor's aggressive leadership and personal courage so inspired his men that they overwhelmed the enemy and attained their objective. Next of kin: Mr. Merl Taylor, Sr., (father), Cromwell, Kentucky.

II. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1916 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1916), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Sergeant MAX ANDERMAN, (32987641), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 29 November 1944. When his squad leader became a casualty during an attack, Sergeant Anderman assumed command and continued to press the assault. In the lead of the squad, he advanced and assaulted enemy positions, his men following to mop up behind him and to the flanks. Under his leadership the squad quickly overran one enemy position after another. Sergeant Anderman's courageous and aggressive leadership inspired his men, and he himself fought ably and fiercely, which is attested to by the fact that he was credited with twenty of the forty enemy killed in the action. Home address: Mrs. Trudy Anderman, (wife), 120 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn, New York.

Second Lieutenant WALLACE M. DICKINSON, (01300459), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 27 November 1944. Lieutenant Dickinson, while making an extensive reconnaissance with two enlisted men, killed two enemy who feigned death and fired at him as he neared them. He was then fired on by an enemy machine gun. With the two men covering him, he worked his way to the gun position, killed the enemy manning it, and captured the weapon. He and his men later captured another machine gun and several documents of

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intelligence value. Lieutenant Dickinson's gallant conduct reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Florence J. Dickinson, (wife), 3021 Oahu Avenue, Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

Staff Sergeant KENNETH W. GRABOW, (20650668), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Layte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. When his patrol encountered an organized enemy position, Sergeant Grabow led an assault on the position. He wiped out an enemy machine gun nest, coming to close quarters with the enemy in order to do so. He then moved among his men, supervising the destruction of the enemy in the area. Sergeant Grabow displayed courageous and inspiring leadership in this action. Home address: Mrs. Flora Grabow, (mother), R.R. #5, Monroec, Wisconsin.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944, (Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named warrant officer and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM G. AHLERS, (20907579), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 17 November 1944. When his company's advance was halted by the fire of an enemy machine gun, Sergeant Ahlers exposed himself to heavy fire and killed the enemy manning the gun. He then led his squad in a successful assault. Sergeant Ahlers' courageous action enabled his company to advance and destroy the enemy positions. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Reed, (sister), 701 East 6th Street, Dewey, Oklahoma.

Sergeant MAX ANDERMAN, (32987641), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 November 1944. When enemy artillery fire caused several casualties, Sergeant Anderman left a protected position and went to their aid. Although artillery shells continued to fall in the area, he made three trips to remove wounded men to safety. He then guided medical personnel to the position. Sergeant Anderman, by his heroic action, undoubtedly saved the lives of the wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Trudy Anderman, (wife), 120 Prospect Park, Brooklyn, New York.

Sergeant (then Corporal), HERBERT J. BALDWIN, (32092919), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Yakumul, New Guinea, on 4 June 1944. When a numerically superior enemy force attacked, causing many casualties, Sergeant Baldwin braved enemy fire in order to rescue two wounded men. He then operated a machine gun whose crew had been depleted by casualties and assisted in halting the enemy attack until his unit withdrew. Sergeant Baldwin's courageous conduct reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Ulmer, (mother), 36 Bay Street, Brooklyn, New York.

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Private First Class JOHN C. BRANNAN, (38290851), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 December 1944. When their platoon's advance was halted by heavy enemy fire, Private Brannan and another soldier voluntarily crawled to a vantage point and exposed themselves to the enemy in an attempt to divert the fire of a machine gun. They fired on the enemy position, and the machine gun turned its fire on them, enabling the platoon to advance. The heroic act of Private Brannan and his companion made possible the success of their platoon's attack. Home address: Mrs. Mary H. Pipkin, (mother), Box 264, Cutler, California.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) HOMER J. CLEMENT, (39210975), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 4 December 1944. During an attack by Sergeant Clement's squad, both the squad leader and assistant squad leader became casualties. Of his own initiative Sergeant Clement assumed command, reorganized the squad, and ably pressed the attack. When he was ordered to withdraw, he conducted an orderly and efficient movement. Sergeant Clement demonstrated courageous and aggressive leadership in this action. Home address: Mr. Ervin C. Clement, (father), Route #11, Box 910G, Tacoma, Washington.

Private First Class CHARLES D. CLINTSMAN, (32854509), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 December 1944. Private Clintsman voluntarily braved heavy enemy fire in order to rescue an officer who had been wounded. Although he was himself wounded while crawling forward, he continued, reached the officer, moved him to a covered position, and treated his wounds. Private Clintsman's heroic action undoubtedly saved the officer's life. Home address: Mrs. Ethel B. Clintsman, (mother), Mechanic Street, Copenhagen, New York.

Private First Class BEN CURLEY, (38014162), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 December 1944. When his platoon's attack was halted by heavy machine gun fire from an enemy pillbox, Private Curley, on his own initiative, charged the position. By throwing hand grenades into the firing slots he silenced the gun and killed the occupants of the pillbox. By this heroic act, Private Curley enabled his platoon to advance and secure its objective. Home address: Mr. Charlie Curley, (father), Toadlena, New Mexico.

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Private First Class WILLIAM H. FUSSELL, (34316422), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 1 December 1944. When Private Fussell, lead scout of a patrol, was fired upon by an enemy outpost, he attacked and killed the enemy manning the position. In so doing he was seriously wounded. He calmly waited for aid, then pointed out to the patrol leader the location of enemy positions, information which enabled the patrol to destroy them. Private Fussell's courage and coolness under fire reflect great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Ella M. Fussell, (mother), Route #2, Rose Hill, North Carolina.

Private First Class ANDREW J. LOUZAN, (31422460), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 December 1944. When their platoon's advance was halted by heavy enemy fire, Private Louzan and another soldier voluntarily crawled to a vantage point and exposed themselves to the enemy in an attempt to divert the fire of a machine gun. They fired on the enemy position, and the machine gun turned its fire on them, enabling the platoon to advance. The heroic act of Private Louzan and his companion made possible the success of their platoon's attack. Home address: Mr. Joseph M. Louzan, (father), 34 Clark Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

Corporal ELGIN W. MC GINNIS, (0569223), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopoan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 21 November 1944. When the litter train which he was escorting was ambushed, Corporal McGinnis immediately took charge and organized a defense. While under fire he moved two litter patients to defiladed positions and rescued and administered first aid to a seriously wounded civilian. Corporal McGinnis' coolness and courage enabled the party to reorganize and ultimately reach the aid station safely. Home address: Mrs. Joseph S. McGinnis, (mother), Palouse, Washington.

Private JOHN C. MULVEY, (20633559), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 December 1944. In the face of enemy fire Private Mulvey rescued a severely wounded soldier. Then, armed with hand grenades he worked his way to an enemy machine gun position and assaulted it, killing the gunners and capturing the gun. Private Mulvey displayed exceptional daring and courage in this action. Home address: Mr. William J. Mulvey, (father), 1228 Turner Avenue, N.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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Private First Class ROBERT W. NOHRER, (35875826), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 29 November 1944. Private Nohrer was painfully wounded by grenade fire, but, because he knew that his squad was already seriously depleted, he elected to remain. In the ensuing action he fought bravely and aggressively, personally accounting for several of the enemy. Private Nohrer's courageous devotion to duty inspired the men of his squad, and their mission was successfully accomplished. Home address: Mrs. Sarah Nohrer, (mother), 1304 Hensley Avenue, Hamilton, Ohio.

Chief Warrant Officer MORRIS S. SAMSKY, (W2114878), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Litape, New Guinea, from 20 July 1944 to 16 August 1944, and on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 27 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jennie Samsky, (mother), 2005 West Philadelphia Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) FRANK TARANTINO, (36209430), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 8 December 1944. While acting as flank guard for a reconnaissance patrol, Sergeant Tarantino sighted an enemy force. He killed three of the enemy, one of whom was about to put a machine gun into action. When the patrol withdrew, he remained in a position exposed to enemy fire and furnished covering fire. Because of Sergeant Tarantino's courageous action the patrol returned to its base without casualty. Home address: Mr. Joseph Tarantino, (father), 2312 North Wiel Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant ROBERT G. ZIMMERMAN, (37419219), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 30 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Adele I. Zimmerman, (wife), Onawa, Iowa.

By command of Major General GILL:

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant LOUIS L. PERENY, (36540720), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 29 November 1944. During an attack over difficult terrain Sergeant Pereny constantly exposed himself to enemy fire in order to control and direct his squad. He led his men admirably, and he himself killed several of the enemy in close-in fighting. During the action he received wounds which proved to be fatal. Sergeant Pereny exhibited great courage and exceptional leadership. Next of kin: Mrs. Anna Pereny, (mother), 13475 Orleans Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

II. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

First Lieutenant WILLIAM T. CRABBE, (01303257), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Pinanopoen, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22, 23, and 24 November 1944. Lieutenant Crabbe led a patrol with the mission of locating and destroying an enemy machine gun which covered a supply and evacuation point. He skillfully detected and by-passed many strong points and bivouacked for the night in enemy held territory. The following day he pinpointed the enemy machine gun, and, since his patrol was too small to cope with the large enemy force, he returned to his command post and directed fire from M-7's on the position. When he returned to reconnoiter the area on the following day, his patrol killed several enemy soldiers and discovered that the gun position was destroyed and the main enemy force withdrawn. Lieutenant Crabbe's skillful and aggressive leadership reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Faith H. Crabbe, (wife), Box 593, Monahans, Texas.

Private CLAUDE T. HODGES, (39714424), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 21 December 1944. When his company's attack was halted by heavy enemy machine gun fire, Private Hodges voluntarily crawled forward to eliminate the resistance.

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By throwing hand grenades he destroyed five enemy dugouts and killed the occupants. Private Hodges' gallant action enabled his company to advance and secure its objective. Home address: Mrs. Lois J. Hodges, (wife), 711 Garvalia Street, Wilmar, California.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class JOHN J. ANDZULEWICZ, (35006067), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 12 December 1944 to 18 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Magdeline M. Andzulewicz, (mother), 1574 East 47th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Private First Class ELLIOT BLUM, (42004617), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Colasion Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 23 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice Cohen, (mother), 573 Avenue C, Bayonne, New Jersey.

Captain CHARLES M. D'ALESSIO, (0473085), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 26 November 1944 to 7 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Michael D'Alessio, (father), 26 Atwater Avenue, Derby, Connecticut.

Staff Sergeant MACK V. DINSMORE, (20639187), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 23 November 1944. A vehicle evacuating two casualties was disabled by enemy machine gun fire; the driver was wounded and the assistant driver killed. Sergeant Dinsmore left a covered position, and, exposing himself to enemy fire, reached the wounded men. He then assisted them to a safe position. Sergeant Dinsmore, by his heroic act, undoubtedly saved the lives of the wounded soldiers. Home address: Mr. James Dinsmore, (father), 713 Fitzgerald Street, Bay City, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade LLOYD L. FINCH, (6658059), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 15 November 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret E. Finch, (wife), 1704 South Branson Street, Marion, Indiana.

Private LAWRENCE M. FRANK, (35664195), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. When enemy artillery fire caused several casualties, Private Frank left a sheltered position to go to the aid of the wounded. Although shells were falling in the area as he worked, he continued to evacuate casualties until he was himself wounded. Private Frank, by his heroic conduct, was responsible

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for saving several lives. Home address: Mrs. Anna Frank, (mother), 5115
Kenswood Road, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Technical Sergeant LESTER J. FRITSCHLER, (20645089), Infantry,
United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military
operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November
1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Joseph Fritschler, (father),
Cleveland Street, Arcadia, Wisconsin.

Captain JOSEPH J. MANFREDI, (0331889), Medical Corps, United States
Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations
against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 24 November 1944 to 30
November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Carmel V. Manfredi, (wife), 3109 Park
Avenue, New York, New York.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) WALTER F. MINGER, (36104757),
Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement
in connection with military operations against the enemy at Colasion Point,
Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 23 November 1944. Home
address: Mrs. Olivia Terry, (mother), 1212 Avenue B, Flint, Michigan.

Captain DANIEL J. MURPHY, (0450677), Corps of Engineers, United
States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations
against the enemy at Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944.
When enemy artillery fire caused several casualties, Captain Murphy left a
sheltered position to go to the aid of the wounded. Although shells continued
to fall in the area, he organized litter parties and supervised the evacuation
of the wounded until all had been cared for. Captain Murphy, by his heroic
conduct, was responsible for saving several lives. Home address: Mrs. Ruth
E. Murphy, (wife), Tower, Minnesota, c/o Hoyt, Minnesota.

Lieutenant Colonel JOSEPH F. RICHTER, (0264098), Field Artillery,
United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military
operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 21
November 1944 to 14 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Leona Richter, (wife),
210 North Water Street, Watertown, Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant ALOIS L. RICK, (20655785), Field Artillery,
United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military
operations against the enemy in the Pinamopoan-Limon area, Leyte, Philippine
Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Jacob
Rick, (father), 2332 North 45th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant JOHN M. SIMPSON, (01311256), Infantry, United States
Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations
against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944
to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Rona C. Simpson, (mother), Bracmar
Ranch, Cliff Drive, Santa Barbara, California.

Sergeant JAMES A. SMITH, (35024524), Infantry, United States Army.
For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the
enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 28 November 1944. Sergeant
Smith moved forward, in the face of heavy enemy fire, in order to rescue a
wounded soldier. In the attempt he was himself wounded. Nevertheless, he

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refused evacuation and remained with his company. Sergeant Smith, by his courageous conduct, uphold the highest traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. H.V. Smith, (mother), 129 Spink Street, Wooster, Ohio.

Private First Class CARL L. TIPTON, (38063542), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 9 December 1944 to 13 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Nellie M. Tipton, (mother), General Delivery, Madill, Oklahoma.

Sergeant (then Corporal) HERMAN H. TOUSSAINT, (36163143), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 9 December 1944 to 13 December 1944. Home address: Anna Brown, (aunt), 328 North Center Street, Northville, Michigan.

Sergeant FRANK M. WHITE, (20116122), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. When enemy artillery fire caused several casualties, Sergeant White left a sheltered position to go to the aid of the wounded. Although shells continued to fall in the area, he organized litter squads and supervised the evacuation of the wounded until all had been cared for. Sergeant White, by his courageous conduct, was responsible for saving several lives. Home address: Mr. Michael White, (father), 9 Curtis Street, Somerville, Massachusetts.

Private First Class KENNETH J. WIESNER, (33832417), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Colasion Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 23 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Julia Wiesner, (mother), 331 West 19th Street, Tucson, Arizona.

Private First Class WILLIAM M. YOUNG, (19067372), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. When a powerful enemy attack caused heavy casualties, Private Young, in spite of the fact that he was ill and in pain, braved enemy fire in order to move amongst the wounded, administering first aid and assisting in evacuating them. Later the same day, again under heavy fire, he cared for and evacuated casualties. Private Young's display of courage and devotion to duty inspired his comrades, and he undoubtedly saved the lives of many of the wounded. Home address: Mr. Max Young, (father), 7524 Ellis Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Second Lieutenant EDWARD A. ZIENACZ, (01686339), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopoan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 24 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. William Zienacz, (mother), Black Creek, Wisconsin.

IV. AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive

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Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Second Lieutenant SAMUEL G. DREFS, (01185018), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight at Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 15 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Flights on reconnaissance, observation, and air dropping missions were made in an unarmored liaison plane, often in inclement weather, over territory where enemy fire was encountered. Home address: Mrs. Hilda Enos, (sister), Route #2, Box 140J, Stockton, California.

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR I
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL II

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant EDWARD L. RAFFERTY, (32032841), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For gallantry in action at Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. When enemy artillery fire caused several casualties, Sergeant Rafferty assisted in treating and evacuating the wounded. He also directed the movement of vehicles, equipment, and personnel out of the danger area, although shells continued to fall throughout the period. He crawled several hundred yards to go to the aid of a severely wounded soldier, shielded his body with his own, and returned him to a safe position.. After dark on the same day, he traveled over territory which was known to have been infiltrated by the enemy in order to check posts which were under his supervision. Sergeant Rafferty's courageous conduct in the face of known danger reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Theresa Rafferty, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Moravia, New York.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted Men:

First Lieutenant THOMAS J. BROWN, (02035291), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Colasian Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 November 1944. When enemy artillery shelled a command post, Lieutenant Brown, with no concern for his own safety, moved about the area, aiding the wounded and supervising their evacuation. He remained behind when the area was evacuated, breaking camp and supervising the removal of equipment to the newly established command post. Throughout the entire period, shells continued to fall in the area. Lieutenant Brown displayed admirable courage and coolness under fire. Home address: Mrs. Maude A. Brown, (mother), Box 116, Alexandria, Minnesota.

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Sergeant WILLIE O. FISHER, (39386935), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Pearl M Fisher, (mother), 1902 Broadway Street, Salem, Oregon.

Captain MILLER C. NAVARRE, (0404332), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 12 December 1944. When an enemy attack endangered defensive positions, Capt Navarre acted to strengthen the defense. He moved about, in the face of enemy machine gun and sniper fire, placing all available men in advantageous positions and directing their fire. Captain Navarre's courageous and aggressive leadership made possible the repulse of the enemy attack and the holding of important terrain. Home address: Mrs. Elmer C. Navarre, (wife), Box 369, Monroe, Michigan.

Captain JAMES T. PATTERSON, (0454316), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Patterson, (wife), 2915 Grove Avenue, Richmond, Virginia.

Master Sergeant WALTER M. SCHLAUPNER, (20645480), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emma Schaupner, (mother), 324 East Lloyd Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Captain ROBERT M. SCHWARTZ, (0401669), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nell S. Schwartz, (wife), 19 North 3d Street, San Jose, California.

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- AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR..... I
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I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant JOHN R CARROLL, (36154828), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 25 November 1944. In the initial exchange of fire during an attack on a strong enemy position, Sergeant Carroll was painfully wounded. He refused evacuation and remained to direct accurate mortar fire and lead his platoon. He was in the thick of the fighting, and he personally killed several of the enemy. Only when the enemy had been dispersed did he permit himself to be evacuated. Sergeant Carroll's gallant conduct inspired his men and was a decisive factor in the success of the attack. Home address: Mrs. L. J. Carroll, (mother), 934 Russell Street, Jackson, Michigan.

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*Private First Class ROBERT DECUBBER, (33429109), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 December 1944. Private Decubber volunteered to destroy with a rocket launcher enemy machine gun positions which had halted his company's advance. Braving enemy fire, he crawled to an advantageous position, fired his weapon, and destroyed one enemy position. Again under fire, he moved forward and discovered another enemy emplacement. As he exposed himself in order to fire, he was severely wounded. Private Decubber's courageous action contributed greatly to the success of his company's advance. Home address: Mrs. Rose Decubber, (mother), 214 West 8th Avenue, Tarentum, Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) JOHN A MARTIN, (01303808), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. While leading his platoon in an attack on well entrenched enemy positions, Lieutenant Martin was wounded three times. Despite the severity of his wounds he refused to be evacuated, and he continued to lead his platoon until its objective was taken. Lieutenant Martin's courageous act served as an inspiration to his men. Home address: Mrs. Louise D. Travis, (mother), R.R. #1, Box 425, Kingston, New York.

Technical Sergeant THEODORE S RUSIECKI, (36154822), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 December 1944. Sergeant Rusiecki led a depleted platoon against strong enemy positions. When heavy enemy fire halted the advance, he led four men to a flank and killed several of the enemy, including the crew of a light machine gun. He then returned to the remainder of the platoon and led them in a com-

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pletely successful assault. Sergeant Rusiecki's courageous and inspiring leadership made possible the destruction of a numerically superior enemy force. Home address: Mrs. Anna Rusiecki, (mother), 924 Russell Street, Jackson, Michigan.

II. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class RAYMOND W BREWER, (14141129), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 28 November 1944. During a strong enemy counterattack Private Brewer occupied a position affording him little cover or concealment. Disregarding enemy machine gun and rifle fire, he held his position and killed several of the enemy. Although he might have withdrawn to a more protected position, he remained at his post until he was killed. Private Brewer's courageous conduct is in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Next of kin: Mr. Curtis Brewer, (father), South Walnut Street, Seneca, South Carolina.

Private First Class DENNIS HEBERT, (38488363), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 December 1944. Private Hebert, lead scout of a patrol, came upon enemy dug-in positions. He opened fire, holding down the enemy long enough for the remainder of the patrol to move into firing position. He was seriously wounded, but, knowing that he was in a vulnerable position, and refusing to endanger his comrades, he refrained from calling for help; he lay quietly until evacuation was possible. He died as a result of his wounds. Private Hebert's heroic self-sacrifice served as an inspiration to his comrades. Next of kin: Mrs. Claudia Hebert, (mother), R.F.D.#2, Box 86, New Iberia, Louisiana.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant ZEDRICK C ASCHENBRENNER, (01300258), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 7 December 1944. Lieutenant Aschenbrenner led a patrol on a difficult mission. On several occasions he braved heavy enemy fire in order to direct his men and to reconnoiter his route. Lieutenant Aschenbrenner's coolness and inspiring leadership enabled his patrol to accomplish its mission without suffering casualties. Home address: Mrs. Emma M. Aschenbrenner, (mother), 3117 16th Street, Everett, Washington.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) MERVIN C BELLCOCK, (17066252), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with

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military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 6 December 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Roy Bellicock, (mother), Rockwell City, Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade CHESTER A BURKEY, (20639172), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 December 1944. When casualties were suffered during an attack, Technician Burkey moved about, while under enemy mortar, machine gun, and rifle fire, and administered aid to six wounded men. After litters were constructed, he again braved enemy fire in order to supervise the evacuation of the wounded. Technician Burkey's courageous conduct reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Julius Burkey, (mother), 732 Bacon Street, Monroe, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant HIRAM E LEISTER, (20634090), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 20 November 1944 to 6 December 1944. Home address: Mr. James E. Leister, (father), 63 Race Street, Coldwater, Michigan.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL
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I. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Major HIRSH A CARPENTER, JR., (0337875), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 23 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Carpenter, (wife), 915 Fourth Street, St. Mary's, West Virginia.

Sergeant GALE O COTTON, (20651727), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Burris T. Cotton, (father), 719 Copeland Avenue, LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) WAYNE J HAMILTON, (37472968), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. When enemy artillery shelled his company's motor pool, Technician Hamilton, noticing that two tractors were parked side by side, left a position of safety and moved one tractor forty yards. His action, performed under continuous artillery fire, prevented the possibility of one shell destroying both tractors. Technician Hamilton's courageous action safeguarded valuable equipment. Home address: Mrs. Daisy Norton, (mother), Merrill, Iowa.

Master Sergeant EDMUND J NOWAK, (20652033), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Joseph Nowak, (mother), 326 Macumber Street, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

II. AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), the Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General,

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32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Master Sergeant NORBERT H ABRAHAM, (20645672), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight near Aitape, New Guinea, from 2 June 1944 to 13 August 1944. Sergeant Abraham made repeated flights in unarmored transport planes, risking and at times encountering the fire of enemy ground forces, in order to drop supplies which were urgently needed by ground troops in combat with the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Alda Abraham, (mother), 1408 Oregon Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Captain ANDREW G GEORGE, (0452992), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight near Aitape, New Guinea, from 2 June 1944 to 13 August 1944. Captain George made repeated flights in unarmored transport planes, risking and at times encountering the fire of enemy ground forces, in order to drop supplies which were urgently needed by ground troops in combat with the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Clara G. George, (wife), Richland, Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private) HEROLD E SMITH, (20647344), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight near Aitape, New Guinea, from 2 June 1944 to 13 August 1944. Technician Smith made repeated flights in unarmored transport planes, risking and at times encountering the fire of enemy ground forces, in order to drop supplies which were urgently needed by ground troops in combat with the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Clara Smith, (mother), 716 7th Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Lieutenant Colonel EDMUND C BLOCH, (0382301), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 14 November 1944 to 10 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Edmund C. Bloch, (wife), 206 Center Street, Neenah, Wisconsin.

Major TIMOTHY C DOHERTY, (0343948), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Catherine E. Doherty, (mother), 50 Iffley Road, Jamaica Plains, Massachusetts.

Major POWELL A FRASER, (0410265), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Fraser, (mother), 725 Norwich Street, Brunswick, Georgia.

Lieutenant Colonel CHARLES R MEYER, (020762), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Colonel C B Meyer, (father), Fort Screven, Georgia.

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AWARD OF THE SILVER..... I
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.... II

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

✓ Sergeant ALBERT M. RICHARDSON, (20688817), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 12 December 1944. When enemy infiltrated into a plasma station area, Sergeant Richardson established a defense perimeter with the men at his disposal. By directing the fire of his men, he halted an attack by twelve enemy, killing eight and dispersing the remainder. Then, accompanied by another enlisted man, he pursued the remaining four, killed three, and captured a machine gun and light mortar. By his courageous action and aggressive leadership Sergeant Richardson protected the plasma station and prevented the enemy from harming the patients. Home address: Mr. Martin Richardson, (father), 304 Frank Street, Bay City, Michigan.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Orders No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

✓ Corporal RAYMOND R. GRIT, (20655736), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 21 November 1944 to 12 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Abraham Grit, (father), 1143 Cass Avenue, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

✓ Private First Class JAMES W. NEWTON, JR., (14071030), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 21 November 1944 to 12 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Iris Mae Newton, (wife), Route #2, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

✓ Private First Class DON PICKENS, (39859178), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 12 December 1944. Private Pickens voluntarily accompanied another enlisted man in pursuit of four enemy, the remnants of a force that had unsuccessfully attacked a plasma station. He and his companion killed three of the four enemy and captured a machine gun and light mortar. Private Pickens displayed courage and coolness while protecting the patients in the plasma station. Home address: Mrs. Virgie Pickens, (mother), Solomonsville, Arizona.

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AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART I
AWARD OF THE COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE II

I. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART:

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Colonel RAYMUND G STANTON, (016929), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 14 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Genevieve V. Stanton, (wife), 4607 Connecticut Avenue, Washington, District of Columbia.

II. AWARD OF THE COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE:

Under the provisions of Circular No. 408, War Department, 17 October 1944, the following named officer is awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy:

Colonel RAYMUND G STANTON, (016929), Infantry, United States Army. On Leyte, Philippine Islands, 26 November 1944.

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On Leyte, Philippine Islands, 26 November 1944.

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AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR I
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AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL III

I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a ~~Silver Star~~ is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private AURELIO J MARINELLI, (35529805), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 14 December 1944. Private Marinelli volunteered to place a bangalore torpedo across a road at a point where our forces had established a road block. Although he knew that two men had been killed in earlier attempts to accomplish the mission, he crawled forward, in the face of enemy machine gun and sniper fire, and successfully placed the torpedo. While returning from the mission he was killed by enemy machine gun fire. Private Marinelli, by his gallant action, insured the road block and denied access to the road to the enemy. Next of kin: Mrs. O. Marinelli, (mother), 1066 Depot Street, Warren, Ohio.

II. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the ~~Silver Star~~ is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Private JOSEPH E McANDREWS, (35583677), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. When his squad was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire, Private McAndrews braved that fire to crawl within ten yards of the enemy emplacement and destroy it with hand grenades. In so doing, he was seriously wounded. Private McAndrews' courageous action reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Sophia McAndrews, (mother), 1135 St. Richard Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Captain CLYDE R MILSTER, (0401288), Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 12 December 1944. When informed that darkness and dangerous terrain prevented the bringing of two critically wounded soldiers to his aid station, Captain Milster went to their aid. In order to reach the men he traversed very difficult terrain in complete darkness, in an area known to have been infiltrated by the enemy. He redressed the wounds of the men, administered plasma, organized a small defense, and stood guard until daylight. He then led a litter party to his aid station, from which the wounded men were evacuated for surgical attention. Captain Milster, by his

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courageous conduct, saved the lives of the two wounded soldiers.
Home address: Mr. Ben C. Milster, (father), 5428 Holly Hills,
St. Louis, Missouri.

III. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class LEONARD F SMUDA, (36185293), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopoon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. Private Smuda went to the aid of a wounded soldier who lay in a position exposed to enemy fire. In the face of heavy machine gun fire, he crawled to the side of the wounded man and proceeded to drag him to safety. In so doing, he was killed. Private Smuda heroically gave his life in order to aid a wounded comrade. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Smuda, (mother), R.R. 2, Box 39, Manistee, Michigan.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following officers and enlisted men:

Captain CHARLES R COULTER JR, (0393817), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 24 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Charles R Coulter, Sr., (father), Route #3, Maryville, Tennessee.

Captain GEORGE M FICKLEN, (0387683), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 30 November 1944 to 22 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Lucy R D Ficklen, (mother), 302 East Robert Toombs Avenue, Washington, District of Columbia.

Captain L. VERNE W HEBBE, (0403050), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 29 November 1944 to 22 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Josephine M Hebbe, (wife), 310 Hickory Street, Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade VICTOR D LE TULLE, (39539079), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Katie B LeTulle, (mother), General Delivery, Bay City, Texas.

Captain LEONARD LOWRY, (01302026), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 29 November 1944 to 22 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Robert Lowry, (father), 404 Weatherlow Street, Susanville, California.

First Lieutenant FRED R MC COMBS, (0335783), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. When enemy artillery

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fire caused several casualties, Lieutenant McComb left a sheltered position to go to the aid of the wounded. Although shells continued to fall in the area, he organized litter squads and supervised the evacuation of the wounded until all had been cared for. Lieutenant McComb, by his courageous action, undoubtedly saved several lives. Home address: Mrs. Anna H McComb, (wife), 6049 Forest Lane, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade CLYDE C PITTMAN, (37266381), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopcan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. Technician Pittman braved heavy enemy automatic weapons, small arms, and mortar fire to go to the aid of a wounded man. As he crawled forward he was himself twice wounded, once seriously. In spite of the pain he suffered, he continued to advance, reached the wounded man, and administered treatment. Technician Pittman's heroic conduct reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Dora Pittman, (mother), 520 11th Street, Auburn, Nebraska.

Captain SAM STEINDEL, (0488038), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice Steindel, (wife), 2338 Sheridan Street, Los Angeles, California.


Captain HENRY G TABER, (0382981), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 15 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mr. William B Taber, (father), Kansas, Illinois.

Captain JACK C WATSON, (01300240), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 15 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bessie Watson, (wife), 608 32d Avenue, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

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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 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel HUGH M. FANNING, (0274047), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area from 29 October 1943 to 1 July 1944. Home address: Mrs. Irene B. Fanning, (wife), 228 South 22nd Street, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Private First Class RALPH W. GRAY, (36155491), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 December 1944. When well prepared enemy positions halted a company's advance, Private Gray volunteered to attempt to destroy them with a flame thrower. Braving heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire, often advancing to within fifteen feet of strongpoints, he employed his weapon effectively, destroying the positions and killing or dislodging their occupants. Private Gray's heroic action enabled the company to resume its advance. Home address: Mrs. Grace Gray, (mother), 210 East 44th Street, Buchanan, Michigan.

First Lieutenant PLACIDO A. VENTRE, (01299822), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 21 December 1944. Home address: Mr. James Ventre, (father), 20 Allyn Terrace, Lawrence, Massachusetts.

Private First Class RAYMOND A. ZEROTT, (19096998), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 15 December 1944. Private Zerott, a flame thrower operator, volunteered to attempt to destroy an enemy strongpoint which had halted a company's advance. In the face of heavy enemy sniper and machine gun fire, he moved forward and destroyed the position. Private Zerott's courageous act, which resulted in the destruction of two enemy machine guns and the killing or dislodging of fifteen enemy soldiers, enabled the company to resume its advance and secure its objective. Home address: Mrs. Arthur Tompkins, (mother), Princeton, Minnesota.

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AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL I
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL II

I. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class RICHARD J. SCHWIESOW, (36517422), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. When enemy fire endangered the flank of his platoon, Private Schwiesow crawled forward to the partial protection of a fallen log. In spite of the fact that the enemy detected him and threw hand grenades, he laid effective fire on the enemy, killing two, and relieved his platoon from the flanking fire. Private Schwiesow's courageous deed enabled his platoon to launch a successful attack. Next of kin: Mrs. Lucy Schwiesow, (mother), Hawks, Michigan.

Private First Class BRUCE L. WIDICK, (34361506), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. When enemy snipers in excellent positions halted his company's advance, Private Widick worked his way across open ground to the partial protection of a fallen log. Crawling forward alongside the log, he found a favorable position and opened fire, killing two well concealed snipers. Shortly afterwards he was killed by an enemy sniper. Private Widick's heroic action made possible the continuation of his company's advance. Next of Kin: Mrs. Hazel D. Widick, (wife), R.F.D. #1, Cross Plains, Tennessee.

Sergeant JAMES A. WOODBRIDGE, (36229378), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. While engaged in an attack against strong enemy positions, Sergeant Woodbridge was at all times well ahead of the men of his squad, shouting encouragement to them and urging them on. When sniper fire halted the attack, he moved forward into open ground and spotted and killed two enemy snipers. Sergeant Woodbridge's aggressive and daring leadership inspired his men and sparked their attack. Next of kin: Mrs. Ollie Woodbridge, (wife), 421 North Front Street, Marquette Michigan.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers, warrant officer, and enlisted men:

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* Chief Warrant Officer ELMER A. ANDERSON, (W21149373), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 11 July 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emilie Anderson, (wife), 130 6th Avenue, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

* Master Sergeant FRANK J. BOUCHARD, (36204739), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Stella Bouchard, (mother), 804 Mather Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

* Captain RENO E. DREWS, (0888210), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 1 December 1944 to 24 December 1944. Home address: Dr. Arthur H. Drews, (father), 820 $\frac{1}{2}$ Oregon Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

* Captain THOMAS J. EASTES, (0476163), Chaplain's Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 15 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emma T. Eastes, (wife), 419 19th Street West, Huntington, West Virginia.

Private First Class CHARLES W. MORGAN, (38517158), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 30 November 1944. When their squad was pinned down by the fire from five enemy automatic weapons, Private Morgan and another soldier braved heavy fire to move forward towards the enemy positions. When within five yards of their objective, they arose, and each killed two enemy gunners. The courageous action of Private Morgan and his companion enabled the remainder of their squad to advance, eliminate the remaining enemy positions, and successfully complete its mission. Home address: Mrs. Mary Belle Morgan, (wife), General Delivery, Crossett, Arkansas.

* First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) WILLIAM A. NEWBURN, (01302041), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 27 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Thelma I Newburn, (wife), Route #2, Box 376, Selma, California.

* Captain HARVEY L. PATTON, (0366175), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 12 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Goldie M. Patton, (mother), 5320 Maboda Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant PEFRY PEEL, (20925307), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 8 December 1944. When rifle fire and grenades had failed to dislodge a group of enemy from strong positions,

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Sergeant Peel volunteered to operate a flame thrower. He exposed himself to heavy fire in order to move directly to the positions, fire his weapon, and destroy the enemy. Sergeant Peel's heroic deed enabled his company to accomplish its assigned mission without suffering a casualty. Home address: Mr. John H. Peel, (father), 1850 2nd East, Mt. Pleasant, Utah.

* Technician Fourth Grade MILTON G. PFOTENHAUER, (36204887), Infantry United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea, from 23 April 1944, to 11 August 1944, and on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mr. George Pfothenauer, (father), 2604 North 19th Street, Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

* First Lieutenant JOSEPH T. RENO, (01312796), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 23 November 1944 to 24 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Teresa M. Reno, (wife), 132-27 140th Street, South Ozone Park, Long Island, New York.

Staff Sergeant HOBART RUNYAN, (39414653), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 30 November 1944. When their squad was pinned down by the fire from five enemy automatic weapons, Sergeant Runyan and another soldier braved heavy fire to move forward towards the enemy positions. When within five yards of their objective, they arose, and each killed two enemy gunners. The courageous action of Sergeant Runyan and his companion enabled the remainder of their squad to advance, eliminate the remaining enemy positions, and successfully complete its mission. Home address: Mrs. Alice M. Runyan, (mother), Telephone, Texas.

* First Lieutenant LEE R. SMITH, (01304652), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 15 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Joe Smith, (mother), Bude, Mississippi.

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AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR I
AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR II

I. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant PETER P. KONIECZKA, (20646703), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Tiver, New Guinea, on 16 July 1944. A numerically superior enemy force had cut off a machine gun section and forced it to withdraw hastily, necessitating the abandoning of a machine gun. Sergeant Konieczka, in the face of intense enemy machine gun fire, crawled forward in an attempt to recover the weapon. Just as he reached it he was fatally wounded. Sergeant Konieczka's courageous action reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Konieczka, (mother), 2120 School Street, Two Rivers, Wisconsin.

Private First Class CYRIL M. MARVA, (36510878), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near San Isidro, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 February 1945. Private Marva and an officer noticed four enemy soldiers, armed with rifles, grenades and demolitions, establishing positions in a field in a rear area. Although they had only small arms weapons, and although they were obviously outnumbered, they set out across the field in pursuit of the enemy. They closed in, and in the initial exchange of fire two enemy were killed, but Private Marva was fatally wounded. Private Marva's gallant deed, performed at the cost of his life, prevented the enemy from establishing a road block or demolishing installations in our rear area. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Marva, (mother), 106 Frazer Street, Owosso, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant LEO B. PRESSON, (37102761), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 3 December 1944. When heavy enemy machine gun fire halted the advance of his squad, Sergeant Presson decided to reconnoiter for a less hazardous route over which to advance. Exposing himself to heavy enemy fire, he moved out alone and discovered such a route. Returning, he selected an advantageous position and again exposed himself to enemy fire in order to direct the advance of his squad over the newly selected route. While so doing he was killed by enemy machine gun fire. Sergeant Presson's valiant self-sacrifice enabled his squad to advance without casualty and play an important part in the subsequent rout of the enemy. Next of kin: Mr. J. G. Presson, (father), Route #3, Rector, Arkansas.

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First Lieutenant CLARENCE E. RIGGS, (0395939), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near San Isidro, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 February 1945. Lieutenant Riggs and an enlisted man noticed four enemy soldiers, armed with rifles, grenades, and demolitions, establishing positions in a field in a rear area. Although they had only small arms weapons, and although they were obviously outnumbered, they set out across the field in pursuit of the enemy. They closed in, and in the initial exchange of fire two enemy were killed, but the enlisted man was fatally wounded. Continuing the fight alone, Lieutenant Riggs killed the remaining two enemy, but was himself mortally wounded. Lieutenant Riggs' gallant deed, performed at the cost of his life, prevented the enemy from establishing a road block or demolishing installations in our rear area. Next of kin: Mrs. Mavis M. Riggs, (wife), 87 South Terrace, Adelaide, South Australia, Australia.

II. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Sergeant HARLEY DEVINE, (37217214), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Inambak, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 2 December 1944. Early in an attack against strongly defended enemy positions Sergeant Devine was severely wounded. He continued to direct his squad, and, disregarding his painful injuries, he crawled from man to man, advising and encouraging them. He insisted on administering first aid to himself, since he refused to endanger the life of an aid man. He remained with his squad for four hours and was evacuated only when he lost consciousness. Sergeant Devine displayed great courage and inspired the men of his squad. Home address: Mr. Dan F. Devine, (father), 401 North Warren Street, Pittsburg, Kansas.

Private First Class LIONEL A. LOPEZ, (38195243), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 30 November 1944. An attack by Private Lopez' platoon was halted by heavy sniper fire. Disregarding his personal safety, he moved out ahead of the platoon and sought out and killed two snipers. Still alone, far in advance of the platoon, he continued to move forward, located four more snipers, and killed them. Private Lopez, by his daring action, enabled his platoon to resume its advance and secure its objective. Home address: Mrs. Lotte Lopez, (mother), 1017 Arabella Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Staff Sergeant ANDREW MELNIK, (35047687), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 17 December 1944. Sergeant Melnik and another soldier held a position on a narrow trail protecting the rear of a platoon perimeter. After dark a raiding party of twenty to thirty enemy attacked that position with grenades and demolition charges. Both men were wounded in the initial attack, and Sergeant Melnik ordered

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his companion to the platoon command post for medical attention. He then remained in position alone, successfully repulsing each attack made by the enemy. In the morning the bodies of five enemy soldiers were found within five yards of his position. Sergeant Melnik, by his gallant stand, eliminated a serious threat to his platoon. Home address: Mr. John Melnik, (father), R. R. #2, Hubbard, Ohio.

Captain GILBERT C. SAWYER, (0888212), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Pinamopon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. After the enemy had penetrated a defensive line, Captain Sawyer brought up his company to counter-attack. He personally led the attack, advancing in the face of heavy machine gun, mortar, and small arms fire, always in the forefront of the fighting. Largely because of Captain Sawyer's aggressive and inspiring leadership, the attack was brilliantly successful, resulting in the complete annihilation of the enemy force and the capture of large quantities of materiel. Home address: Mr. Arthur E. Sawyer, (father), 727 Union Street, Neenah, Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant DAVID E. SHEA, (37181104), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. Sergeant Shea was leading his platoon in an attack on well prepared enemy positions when heavy enemy fire on the right flank halted the advance. Immediately, with no concern for his personal safety, he rushed out to open ground twenty yards ahead of his men, shouting encouragement and urging them to follow him. Sergeant Shea's courageous leadership instilled confidence in his men and inspired them to resume the attack, which resulted in the annihilation of the enemy in that sector. Home address: Mr. Martin Shea, (father), 7449 Chandler Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class LEROY HENSLEY, (33091571), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. When an enemy force launched a determined attack, Private Hensley moved to a position which afforded him excellent observation but little protection. Holding his ground while under heavy fire, he drove off the enemy. He continued to hold his position, firing on the enemy, until he was killed. Largely because of Private Hensley's courage and disregard for personal safety, the enemy attack was repulsed. Next of kin: Mrs. Ida Hensley, (mother), R.F.D. #2, Jonesville, Virginia.

II. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men, for gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 November 1944. When an attack on strong enemy positions was halted by machine gun and sniper fire, three soldiers, two armed with rifles and grenades and the third with an automatic rifle, stood upright and advanced on the enemy. In the face of heavy machine gun fire, and with grenades exploding about them, they continued to advance, systematically annihilating the enemy. Together they destroyed four machine gun positions and killed twenty-six enemy soldiers. The daring charge of the three men so inspired the men of their company that they attacked vigorously and destroyed the remaining enemy positions:

Private DELMAR F. HAGAR, (36824343), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Harry Hagar, (father), 618 Lincoln Street, Janesville, Wisconsin.

Private First Class ROBERT M. HALL, (39710635), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Doris Hall, (mother), 1516 East Longden Street, Temple City California.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) LEARVILL N. SCHLESSMAN, (37373830), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Dova Hawkins, (mother), R.F.D. #2, Neosho, Missouri.

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III. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant PETER EDINGTON, (20649009), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 November 1944. When his platoon leader was wounded during an attack, Sergeant Edington assumed command. Throughout the engagement he was ahead of the platoon, firing a rifle and throwing grenades, at the same time controlling the movement of his men. He personally silenced three machine guns and killed eight enemy. Inspired by Sergeant Edington's aggressive and fearless leadership, the men of his platoon routed the enemy and accomplished their mission. Home address: Mr. William Edington, (father), 745 York Street, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Technical Sergeant VIRGIL M. STANG, (20648867), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 November 1944. When his platoon leader was wounded during an attack, Sergeant Stang assumed command and led the platoon towards its objective. Advancing in the face of heavy machine gun, rifle, and mortar fire, he personally destroyed an enemy machine gun and killed its crew by firing his submachine gun and throwing grenades. Later the same day he assisted in the rescue of a wounded man, and in so doing was himself seriously wounded. He refused medical attention until the rescued soldier had been cared for, and accepted evacuation only when his company commander ordered it. Sergeant Stang's gallant conduct reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Oscar Stang, (mother), Hershey, Wisconsin.

IV. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Major DAVID ANDERSON, (0364311), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mr. David Anderson, Sr., (father), Anderson Lodge, Cleveland, Florida.

Captain WALTER C. LUTZ, (01285076), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 29 November 1944. Captain Lutz braved heavy enemy fire in order to adjust mortar fire on strong enemy positions. When the barrage cleared, he led his men in an attack, moving amongst them, directing and encouraging them. Captain Lutz inspired his men by his aggressive and courageous leadership; the attack was successful and the objective was taken. Home address: Mrs. Alice J. Lutz, (wife), 5747 McPherson Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

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AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR I
AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR II

I. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

First Lieutenant GORDON L. CARNEY, (02035294), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. Lieutenant Carney led his company in an attack on powerful enemy positions. Although he was wounded, he refused medical attention and remained with the foremost elements of his company. He was constantly at the head of his men, encouraging and advising them. He was killed in the final stages of the assault. Largely because of Lieutenant Carney's fearless and inspiring leadership, the attack was successful. Next of kin: Mrs. Maxine C. Carney, (wife), 4100 S.E. 79th Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

Private First Class JAMES RUSSO, (36722582), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. When his platoon was ordered to withdraw, Private Russo volunteered to act as part of a small covering force. Armed with an automatic rifle, he laid down accurate and effective fire, at the same time diverting the enemy fire on his own position. He was killed in this action. Private Russo's courageous act of self-sacrifice enabled his platoon to withdraw safely with a minimum of casualties. Next of kin: Mrs. Julia Russo, (mother), 1012 South Carpenter Street, Chicago, Illinois.

II. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men.

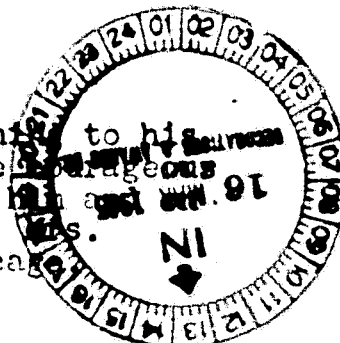
Sergeant JOSEPH BARTUCCI, (36692492), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. When a group of enemy infiltrated a perimeter and set up a light machine gun, Sergeant Bartucci left his dug in position and braved the fire of the gun to crawl forward to assault the position with grenades.

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He silenced the gun and killed the crew. While returning to his position, he rescued a seriously wounded soldier. The courageous conduct of Sergeant Bartucci reflects great credit on him and the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Florence Bartucci, (mother), 762 De Koven Street, Chicago, Illinois.



Captain CHARLES H. BELL, (01288166), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. Captain Bell led his company in an attack on strong enemy positions. He was always in the forefront of the fighting, encouraging his men and urging them on. He destroyed one enemy machine gun with rocket launcher fire, killed the crew of a second with rifle fire, and captured the gun. Captain Bell's daring and aggressiveness inspired the men of his company to a rapid advance and the successful accomplishment of their mission. Home address: Mrs. Ninon L. Bell, (mother), 420 Houchin Drive, Bakersfield, California.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT J. GEIB, (35321580), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 14 December 1944. When fire from an enemy tank seriously wounded five men, Technician Geib ran forward across fallen logs and open terrain to assist them. He crossed the area, which was swept by heavy fire, five times, and succeeded in removing all five of the wounded to safety. Technician Geib undoubtedly saved the lives of the wounded soldiers. Home address: Mrs. R.J. Geib, (wife), 18226 Fairville Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant IVAN F. MORELL, (34377773), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 December 1944. When his company's advance was halted by heavy fire from machine gun emplacements, Sergeant Morell advanced on a pillbox. Although his helmet was shot from his head, he continued to advance, killed the occupants of the pillbox with rifle and grenade fire, and silenced the machine gun. Sergeant Morell's courageous act so inspired his comrades that they destroyed the remaining emplacements and secured their objective. Home address: Mrs. Laura H. Morell, (mother), Route #2, Lenoir City, Tennessee.

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AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL I
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL II

I. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class THOMAS M. McCURDY, (37485002), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. When heavy machine gun fire halted an attack, Private McCurdy moved to a position exposed to that fire, employed his weapon effectively, and killed eight of the enemy. When a withdrawal was ordered, he remained at his position and furnished covering fire until he was killed. Private McCurdy's courageous action enabled his comrades to withdraw with a minimum of casualties. Next of kin: Mrs. Stella McCurdy, (mother), 2224 Barnam Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Private WALTER SWET, (36044931), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. When heavy machine gun fire made the position of Private Swet's platoon untenable, he took up a position from which he fired effectively on the enemy, at the same time diverting enemy fire on himself. He continued to hold his position until he was killed. Private Swet's heroic act of self-sacrifice made possible the successful withdrawal of his platoon. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Swet, (mother), 8453 Brandon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Private WILLIAM H. TENLEY, (37678480), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. When his platoon's attack was halted by heavy machine gun fire and a withdrawal was ordered, Private Tenley remained in position to furnish covering fire. Although he was wounded early in the engagement, he held his position until he was killed. Largely because of Private Tenley's courageous action, his platoon effected an orderly withdrawal. Next of kin: Mrs. Nora J. Tenley, (mother), Stanwood, Iowa.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General,

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32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private OTIS B. BOWMAN, (38300084), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 December 1944. Acting as lead scout for his platoon, Private Bowman twice engaged groups of the enemy and dispersed them. Later, although seriously wounded, he pointed out the position of an enemy machine gun. By his courageous action Private Bowman enabled the men of his platoon to destroy the enemy gun and accomplish their mission. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Bowman, (Mother), 1012 West Jackson Street, Palestine, Texas.

Major PETER L. DAL PONTE, (0379617), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 27 November 1944. Major Dal Ponte frequently exposed himself to enemy fire in order to reconnoiter in preparation for a large scale attack. He personally led the foremost elements of his battalion in the attack, moving amongst the men, encouraging and advising them. Major Dal Ponte's aggressive leadership inspired his men, and the attack was successful. Home address: Mrs. Peter L. Dal Ponte, (wife), Three Rivers, Michigan.

Captain LEO J. HOFSCHEIDER, (0418597), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 22 November 1944 to 27 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Leo J. Hofschneider, (wife), 109 Thorndale Terrace, Rochester, New York.

Private First Class (then Private) JAMES Y. KUYKENDALL, (38533588), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 28 November 1944. When his squad was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire during an attack, Private Kuykendall stood erect, advanced on the enemy, and urged the men of the squad to follow him. They responded, charged vigorously, and secured their objective. Private Kuykendall displayed daring and inspiring leadership in this action. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Kuykendall, (mother), 3930 Worth Street, Dallas, Texas.

Private First Class DAMON MARTIN, (35491101), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 15 December 1944. When an attack was momentarily halted by a well concealed machine gun, Private Martin moved forward, while subject to heavy enemy fire, in an attempt to locate it. He did so, and he again exposed himself to heavy machine gun and grenade fire in order to point out its position. Private Martin's heroic conduct enabled his squad to destroy the gun position and resume its advance. Home address: Mrs. Christine Martin, (wife), Route #1, Marion, Kentucky.

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Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) ROY B. MC CARN, (38063517), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. When a powerful enemy counterattack necessitated a withdrawal, Sergeant McCarn armed himself with an automatic rifle and took up a position from which he might cover the movement. Although he was subject to machine gun and mortar fire, he laid down a heavy volume of accurate and effective fire. By his courageous act Sergeant McCarn halted the enemy long enough for his comrades to withdraw and evacuate their wounded. Home address: Mrs. Mary Lee McCarn, (wife), R.F.D. #2, Sulphur, Oklahoma.

Private First Class RAY THACKXTON, (34365443), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 28 November 1944. When heavy machine gun fire halted his company's advance, Private Thackxton crawled forward to a point several yards from one of the enemy positions. There he arose, charged the gun with grenades and rifle fire, and silenced it. Private Thackxton's daring feat made possible the resumption of the attack. Home address: Mrs. Louise H. Thackxton, (wife), Route #6, Lebanon, Tennessee.

Captain JOHNEY B. WAX, (0378833), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 December 1944. Captain Wax led a small patrol in a flanking movement against strong enemy positions which had halted his company's advance. He crawled to a point within twenty yards of the enemy positions and attacked effectively with grenade fire. Captain Wax's heroic action demoralized the enemy, enabling his company to attack and secure its objective. Home address: Mrs. Lula Wilkenson, (mother), Denham Springs, Louisiana.

First Lieutenant ROY E. WEBB, (01295500) Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. Lieutenant Webb led his platoon in an assault on strongly defended enemy positions. When the attack was momentarily halted, he braved heavy enemy fire to move amongst his men, encouraging them and urging them forward. Lieutenant Webb's courageous and aggressive leadership so inspired his men that they vigorously resumed the attack and overran the enemy positions. Home address: Mr. Roy E. Webb, (father), 817 West C Street, Colton, California.

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ORIGINAL ORDER -

AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR I
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL II
AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL III

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private WILLIAM E. GANTENBEIN, (20651748), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 28 November 1944. When a strong enemy force threatened the flank of an infantry company, Private Gantenbein, a member of an artillery forward observer party, left the company command post and hurried to the threatened portion of the line. He joined four infantrymen in a position exposed to heavy machine gun and rifle fire and placed accurate and effective fire on the enemy, killing four. When the enemy attack was momentarily halted, he moved forward to a new position beyond the perimeter and harassed the enemy until the flank was reinforced. Private Gantenbein, by his courageous action, made possible the repulse of the enemy attack. Home address: Mrs. Laura B. Gantenbein, (mother), 1408 Market Street, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

X Captain JOSEPH E. ASH, (0307518), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 15 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ferne I. Ash, (wife), 646 Church Street, Stevens Point, Wisconsin.

Captain JOSEPH D. CARLISLE, (0474488), Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasion Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 and 20 November 1944. When the evacuation route from an infantry company to his aid station came under

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heavy fire, Captain Carlisle went forward to a position immediately behind the front lines. There he treated the wounded while constantly under enemy fire. On one occasion he braved heavy fire to rescue two wounded men. By his heroic conduct Captain Carlisle undoubtedly saved many lives. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle E. Carlisle, (wife), 32 Queen Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Captain THEODORE W. CONTER, (0349561), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 24 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Thelma E. Conter, (wife), 4925 North Hollywood Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Private ROBERT GARCIA, (20655948), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 15 December 1944. Private Garcia was a member of a forward observer party serving with an infantry company which was attacked by five enemy tanks. When rocket launcher operators called for more ammunition, he and another soldier braved the cannon and machine gun fire that swept the area to carry the much needed ammunition to the launcher positions. The courageous action of Private Garcia and his companion made possible the destruction of the enemy tanks. Home address: Mr. Ben Garcia, (father), General Delivery, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Master Sergeant WILBUR W. GUILLIGAN, (20657073), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pinamopan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 and 22 November 1944. On 19 November Sergeant Guilligan braved heavy enemy machine gun fire in order to rescue a wounded soldier. On 22 November he volunteered to unload a landing craft which was under sporadic machine gun fire. His example inspired others to join him, and badly needed supplies were unloaded quickly. Sergeant Guilligan's heroic conduct on these occasions reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Ella A. Guilligan, (wife), Camp Douglas, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant SIMPSON HAMRICK, JR., (39386913), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mattie E. Hamrick, (mother), Route #6, Box 150, Salem, Oregon.

Private First Class VICTOR H. MEINBERG, (20652448), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 15 December 1944. Private Meinberg

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was a member of a forward observer party serving with an infantry company which was attacked by five enemy tanks. When rocket launcher operators called for more ammunition, he and another soldier braved the cannon and machine gun fire that swept the area to carry the much needed ammunition to the launcher position. The courageous action of Private Meinberg and his companion made possible the destruction of the enemy tanks. Home address: Mr. Ernest Meinberg, (father), 920 2nd Street, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin.

III. AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), the Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Captain (then First Lieutenant) HENRY J. FORESMAN, (0412794), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight near Saidor, New Guinea, from 5 January 1944 to 15 February 1944. Captain Foresman made repeated flights as an aerial observer in an unarmored liaison (L-4) airplane at low altitudes, over territory where enemy fire was encountered. Home address: Mr. Robert A. Foresman, Sr., (father), Lexington, Virginia.

First Lieutenant GLEN I. JOHNSON, (01180973), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight over Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 15 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Lieutenant Johnson made repeated flights on reconnaissance, observation, and air dropping missions in an unarmored liaison (L-4) airplane, at low altitudes, over territory where enemy fire was encountered. Home address: Mrs. Maxine V. Johnson, (wife), 306 Third Avenue South, Humboldt, Iowa.

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ORIGINAL ORDER -

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL


By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant FRANCIS W WHITE, (36206191), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Consuegra-Agayayan area, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 20 December 1944 to 23 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Martha White, (mother), 902 Town Line Road, Wausau, Wisconsin.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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ORIGINAL ORDER 2

AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR I
AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR II
AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR III

I. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Captain GEORGE M. FICKLEN, (0387683), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5, 6, and 7 December 1944. Over a period of three days Captain Ficklen led his company in advances on a strongly entrenched enemy force. He often exposed himself to heavy artillery, machine gun, grenade, and small arms fire in order to move amongst his men, reassuring and encouraging them, and reorganizing them for each assault. He personally led his company in a final, successful attack. Inspired by Captain Ficklen's aggressive and courageous leadership, the company attained its objective, killing many of the enemy and capturing quantities of materiel. Next of kin: Mrs. Lucy R.D. Ficklen, (mother), 302 East Robert Toombs Avenue, Washington, Georgia.

Second Lieutenant HOWARD D. RINEHART, (01300385), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 14 December 1944. When an attack against well concealed enemy positions by his platoon was halted by heavy fire, Lieutenant Rinehart crawled forward, through intense machine gun, mortar, and rifle fire, in order to locate the enemy positions. From a point within fifteen feet of the enemy he accurately directed machine gun and mortar fire. He was fatally wounded in this action. Lieutenant Rinehart's courageous action made possible the destruction of the bulk of the enemy force and the rout of the remainder. Next of kin: Mrs. Margaret Marie Rinehart, (wife), 913 South 6th Avenue, Yakima, Washington.

II. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men, for gallantry in action near Lonoy, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 December 1944. When tanks, spearheading a drive by our forces, were halted by an enemy mine field, this officer

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and two enlisted men volunteered to remove the mines, although they were inexperienced in mine detection. They worked for an hour, removing several varieties of mines, many of complicated construction. During the entire period they were subject to enemy small arms fire and the danger of the mines being booby-trapped. The gallant action of the officer and the two enlisted men made possible the swift capture of an important objective.

First Lieutenant CLINTON R. BLACKMON, (0414283), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. L.K. Blackmon, (father), Route #4, Timmonsville, South Carolina.

Private First Class EDWARD E. REAGAN, (36156292), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Lavine Trumble, (mother), 305 North Milwaukee Street, Jackson, Michigan.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) JOSEPH REVAK, (33670838), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Anna Revak, (mother), P.O. Box 215, New Salem, Pennsylvania.

III. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class HUGH N. JAMES, (38062609), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 1 December 1944. A combat patrol was fired on by the enemy, and two soldiers were seriously wounded. Private James, a member of the patrol, twice braved heavy enemy machine gun fire to run out and drag each of the wounded men to safety. Private James' gallant act undoubtedly saved the lives of his two comrades. Home address: Mrs. Nettie James, (mother), Star Route, Vandervoort, Arkansas.

Sergeant BRUCE C. JOHNSON, (39858425), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 February 1945. When an attack was halted by heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Johnson, a radio operator, accompanied an officer to a point well in advance of the most forward elements in order to relay fire orders. Although the area was subject to heavy artillery, machine gun, and mortar fire, he remained at his post until he was wounded. Sergeant Johnson's gallant conduct reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Sarah C. Johnson, (mother), Route #2, Box 371A, Dale Avenue, Anaheim, California.

Lieutenant Colonel CHARLES R. MEYER, (020762), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Maria,

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Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 February 1945. When an attack was halted by heavy enemy fire, Lieutenant Colonel Meyer, accompanied by a radio operator, moved to a point well in advance of the most forward elements in order to direct artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire on enemy positions. Although the area was subject to heavy enemy artillery, machine gun, and mortar fire, he remained at his post for two hours. When his radio operator was wounded, he removed him to a position of safety, returned, and operated the radio himself. The gallant action of Lieutenant Colonel Meyer made possible the placing of effective fire on enemy positions, which resulted in the destruction of several machine guns and one artillery piece. Home address: Colonel C. B. Meyer, (father), Fort Screven, Georgia.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WB, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant WILLIAM DE PAOLA, (39386711), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Anthony De Paola, (father), Route #2, Yamhill, Oregon.

Private First Class CHESTER L. DUFF, (35445991), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 and 12 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ernie E. Duff, (mother), Route #4, Box 38, Charleston, West Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade ELMER W. FIEDLER, (39382152), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Santa Maria - San Nicholas area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 February 1945. Technician Fiedler and another soldier, each driving a vehicle, set out over a road known to be under heavy enemy artillery fire to bring back casualties. Although shells fell dangerously close to the road, they continued, stopping to detruck only on one occasion when shell fragments pierced both vehicles. When the intensity of the shelling decreased, they resumed their journey, reached the casualties, and speedily returned them, over the same route, to a medical installation. The heroism of Technician Fiedler and his companion undoubtedly saved several lives. Home address: Mr. Adolph G. Fiedler, (father), East Stanwood, Washington.

Staff Sergeant FREDERICK E. HELM, (20655912), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marguerite I. Helm, (wife), 1924 North 32d Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Private First Class JERRY R. LYONS, (36418717), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in

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connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 and 12 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Doris Lyons, (mother), 2133 Edgewood Avenue, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade ROY H. MOERSHELL, (36110654), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 and 12 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Barbara Moerschell, (mother), 2946 Anderson Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class JOSEPH W. MUETZEL, (35542332), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Santa Maria - San Nicholas area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 February 1945. Private Muetzel and another soldier, each driving a vehicle, set out over a road known to be under heavy enemy artillery fire to bring back casualties. Although shells fell dangerously close to the road, they continued, stopping to detruck only on one occasion when shell fragments pierced both vehicles. When the intensity of the shelling decreased, they resumed their journey, reached the casualties, and speedily returned them, over the same route, to a medical installation. The heroism of Private Muetzel and his companion undoubtedly saved several lives. Home address: Mrs. Mary A. Muetzel, (mother), 329 Eldred Street, Toledo, Ohio.

Private First Class CLARENCE O. PATE, (38421921), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 and 12 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Missouri Pate, Conroe, Texas.

First Sergeant EMIL J. ROLLERI, (31040728), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 3 January 1945, and on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 30 January 1945 to 18 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth E. Rrolleri, (wife), 597 Park Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Private First Class MICHAEL J. SAVASTANO, (35515043), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 and 12 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Carmela Savastano, (mother), 4357 Elmwood Avenue, South Euclid, Ohio.

Private First Class (then Private) RAYMOND V. SCHARASWAK, (20634840), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against

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the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 and 12 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gloria W. Scharaswak, (wife), 103 Harcourt, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.

Private SAMUEL SOLOMON, (39583318), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 and 12 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ann B. Solomon, (wife), 8237 Blackburn Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Private First Class ROBERT B. WIGGINS, (35599087), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 and 12 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Wiggins, (mother), East Fultonham, Ohio.

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade SIMON E. SABA, (33145197), Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Timayak, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 February 1945. When twenty enemy launched a surprise attack on dropping grounds, Technician Saba, the only American soldier in the area, killed six of them. He then moved about over an area swept by enemy fire in order to organize a defense. He secured five Filipino soldiers and directed and led them in a counterattack which dispersed and drove off the remaining enemy. Technician Saba, by his gallant leadership and coolness under fire, prevented the enemy from capturing rations and supplies badly needed by our troops. Home address: Mrs. Martha Saba, (mother), 56 Blackman Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

II. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade LOYAL E. VOGEL, (35262213), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Valdez-Timayak-Minuli Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 and 19 February 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Oley Vogel, (mother), 1900 Compton Road, Mt. Healthy, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant BOLESLAV S. WAWRZYKOWSKI, (32093464), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Timayak, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 March 1945. When an enemy ambush caused several casualties, Sergeant Wawrzykowski attempted to rescue the wounded. He crawled forward, in the face of heavy fire, within a few feet of enemy soldiers. He was killed before he reached the

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wounded. Sergeant Wawrzykowski heroically gave his life in an effort to assist his comrades. Next of kin: Mrs. Cruz Wawrzykowski, (wife), 1035 1/2 Heliotrope Drive, Los Angeles, California.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Timayak, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 March 1945. After an enemy ambush had caused several casualties, these four men volunteered as part of a small party with the mission of attacking the enemy positions in an attempt to recover the wounded and the bodies of the dead. The enemy force, estimated at one hundred, occupied a small, almost inaccessible area, and the casualties were inside the enemy positions. These men participated in seven separate attacks, furnishing covering fire while others crawled forward in rescue attempts. They were often within a few feet of enemy soldiers. The seventh attack was successful, and all the wounded and the bodies of many of the dead were recovered:

Private First Class HENRY BACKMAN, (20950098), Cavalry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Eva Backman, (mother), R.F.D. #2, Lorrington, Wyoming.

Private THEODORE A BENKOWSKI, (36370329), Cavalry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Rose Benkowski, (mother), 2846 West 25th Place, Chicago, Illinois.

Private FREDRICK D CURRY, (6931468), Cavalry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle M. Curry, (mother), Dawson, Iowa.

Private LEIGH R RASMUSSEN, (36897684), Cavalry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ione Rasmussen, (mother), Route #1, Ludington, Michigan.

IV. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) EDWIN F. ESSMAN, (35643916), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Silad Bay, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 31 December

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1944. During a heavy fire fight Technician Essman was guarding a prisoner of war. The burst of a mortar shell seriously wounded his troop commander, and it was necessary to contact a nearby unit to obtain plasma. Although he had been wounded in the face by the same mortar shell burst, Technician Essman turned the prisoner over to another soldier, crawled through heavy machine gun and rifle fire to a hut where a radio had been placed, and returned by the same route, again through heavy fire, with the radio. Technician Essman displayed great courage and daring in this action. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Essman, (mother), 241 Harding Avenue, Portsmouth, Ohio.

Sergeant (then Corporal) LYSLE J FLEMING, (13003352), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945, and on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 2 February 1945 to 23 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Fleming, (mother), Cherry Tree, Pennsylvania.

Second Lieutenant JOHN M. FRETER, (01327832), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Putlan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 and 21 February 1945. Lieutenant Freter, accompanied only by a civilian guide, went deep into enemy-held territory to an area known to be occupied by large enemy concentrations, in order to obtain information of enemy emplacements and to reconnoiter a route to an important bridge with the view of later leading a demolition party to destroy it. The terrain was such that the enemy was often able to observe his movements and direct fire on him. Lieutenant Freter returned after two days with information of considerable intelligence value. Home address: Mr. E.H. Freter, (father), 5524 Cornell Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Sergeant (then Corporal) AUBREY N YEATTS, (33092160), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945, and on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 2 February 1945 to 23 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Irvin Woods, (sister), Route #3, Box 188, Gretna, Virginia.

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GENERAL ORDER 50

AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR	I
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I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1944), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers, for gallantry in action near Ginabuyan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 31 December 1944. Four officers, liaison pilots, flew unarmed and unarmored Piper Cub, L-4B, airplanes through known enemy ground fire in order to drop urgently needed ammunition to ground troops engaging the enemy. To drop his complete load of ammunition, it was necessary for each officer to make four complete runs through enemy fire, performing the difficult feat of flying the plane in such manner as to avoid enemy ground fire as much as possible and at the same time use both hands to drop the ammunition. All four planes were hit by enemy fire, one damaged beyond repair. These four officers displayed admirable courage and daring in successfully performing a difficult and hazardous feat:

First Lieutenant EDGAR T. IRVINE, (01182866), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Grace Irvine, (mother), 948 West Magnolia Street, Compton, California.

First Lieutenant GLEN I. JOHNSON, (01180973), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Maxine V. Johnson, (wife), 306 Third Avenue South, Humboldt, Iowa.

Second Lieutenant HENRY P. KORMAN, (01686309), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Korman, (mother), Olivia, Minnesota.

First Lieutenant ALBERT I. WEISSKOPF, (01178665), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. I. J. Weisskopf, (mother), 845 Oakdale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944); the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer,

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warrant officer, and enlisted men:

Captain MAX E. COOPER, (0355362), Inspector General's Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands, from 1 November 1943 to 28 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy S. Cooper, (wife), 2315 Hill Avenue, Alexandria, Louisiana.

Technician Third Grade RICHARD O. FRICK, (20652640), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 and 20 November 1944. Home address: Miss Virginia Frick, (sister), 1426 Liberty Street, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Chief Warrant Officer JOHN W. HANBERRY, (W2114650), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in Papua from 27 December 1942 to 30 March 1943 and in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 4 September 1943 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mary C. Hanberry, (mother), 34 St. Rose Street, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts.

Technical Sergeant CLARENCE J. PATTEN, (20654369), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 March 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mr. James J. Patten, (father), Boyd, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant DELBERT F. REDMANN, (20652620), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 and 20 November 1944. Home address: Mr. Harry R. Redmann, (father), 1314 South Ninth Street, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Sergeant BLAINE L. RUDE, (20651599), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea, from 28 June 1944 to 3 August 1944, and on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 11 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Albin E. Rude, (father), R.F.D. #2, Westby, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade GEORGE H. SMITH, (34141179), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 23 and 24 November 1944. Technician Smith braved heavy enemy artillery fire to evacuate wounded men. Although shells fell in the area continuously, he made three trips to reach and evacuate patients. By his heroic disregard for the

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hazards involved Technician Smith undoubtedly saved the lives of several soldiers. Home address: Mrs. Leila R. Mysinger, (sister), Daisy, Tennessee.

Sergeant EUGENE E. SPRECHER, (20630054), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea, the Netherlands East Indies, and the Philippine Islands from 4 March 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Sprecher, (wife), 9326 Kresge Street, Detroit, Michigan.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant James P. Baldwin by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 4, section VII, General Orders No. 80, dated 22 September 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) JAMES P. BALDWIN, (0888885), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight over Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Lieutenant Baldwin made repeated flights on reconnaissance, observation, and air dropping missions in an unarmored liaison (L-4) airplane, at low altitudes, over territory where enemy fire was encountered. Home address: Mrs. Doris Ann Baldwin, (wife), Wewahitchka, Florida.

IV. AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer.

Captain LAWRENCE E. GAILLEN, (0358864), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight near Saidor, New Guinea, from 19 March 1944 to 29 April 1944, and at Aitape, New Guinea, from 12 May 1944 to 25 July 1944. Captain Gailen made repeated flights as an aerial observer in an unarmored Liaison (L-4) airplane, at low altitudes, over territory where enemy fire was encountered. Home address: Mr. Joseph T. Gailen, (father), 7724 Essex Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant REX A. DAVIS, (38216483), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. When signalled that four enemy were working towards his position, Sergeant Davis immediately moved his squad to attack. He was well in advance of his squad when he contacted the enemy. Since the terrain permitted only one man to fire effectively, he unhesitatingly opened fire, killing two of the enemy. When his rifle jammed, he secured a submachine gun from a squad member and killed a third, when again his weapon jammed. The fourth enemy fired inflicting a mortal wound. Nevertheless, Sergeant Davis walked back several steps, secured another rifle, and killed the remaining enemy. The gallant and courageous action of Sergeant Davis, performed at cost of life, prevented a possible enemy attack. Next of kin: Mr. Adrian A. Davis, (father), R.F.D. #1, Box 207-E, Hoswell, New Mexico.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT W. DEVORAK, (36512236), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. Sergeant Devorak, hearing the call of a wounded man from the forward slope of a hill that was completely covered by enemy cross and flanking machine gun fire, crawled forward into the area covered by this intense fire. Reaching the wounded man, he successfully evacuated him, although he himself was mortally wounded while so doing. Sergeant Devorak gallantly gave his life in order to aid a wounded comrade. Next of kin: Mrs. Anna C. Devorak, (mother), St. Mary's Rectory, Manchester, Michigan.

Private JOHN W. HENDERSON, (39413810), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 December 1944. When heavy fire from a numerically superior enemy force necessitated the withdrawal of his platoon, Private Henderson remained behind with one other enlisted man to furnish covering fire. He killed several of the enemy before he himself was killed. Private Henderson's courageous act enabled his platoon to withdraw successfully from its precarious position. Next of kin: Mrs. Norma Prall, (sister), 321 Yellowstone, Alliance, Nebraska.

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*First Lieutenant EUGENE L. JABUSH, (01303894), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. Lieutenant Jabush was leading a patrol when the enemy was contacted in strongly entrenched positions. Leading the attack, he braved heavy mortar, automatic weapons, and small arms fire in order to advance on a machine gun position. As he closed in he threw grenades, killing several of the enemy and forcing the remainder to withdraw. He was killed in this action. Lieutenant Jabush's gallant and daring assault enabled his patrol to advance and neutralize the enemy positions. Next of kin: Mrs. Beckie Jabush, (mother), 1974 Grand Avenue, Bronx, New York.

Private LESLIE W. MARQUETT, (37678552), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 December 1944. When heavy fire from a numerically superior enemy force necessitated the withdrawal of his platoon, Private Marquett remained behind with one other enlisted man to furnish covering fire. He killed several of the enemy before he himself was killed. Private Marquett's courageous act enabled his platoon to withdraw successfully from its precarious position. Next of kin: Mrs. Hazel Fuller, (mother), 1022 3rd Avenue, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Private JOHN A. MEYER, (37086979), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 December 1944. When heavy enemy machine gun fire halted their company's advance, Private Meyer and another soldier armed themselves with grenades and crawled forward, under intense machine gun fire, to within ten feet of the enemy, from which point they threw grenades into the gun position. Private Meyer was killed in this action. The courageous action of Private Meyer and his companion resulted in the destruction of the enemy emplacement and the advance of their company. Next of kin: Mrs. Anna Meyer, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Box 3, Archer, Nebraska.

Technician Fifth Grade OLEGARIO C. SOLIZ, (38248602), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944 and 11 December 1944. During a violent fire fight with the enemy on 22 November the aid man attached to the platoon adjoining that of Technician Soliz was killed. Voluntarily he undertook to serve that platoon as well as his own. Throughout the fire fight he constantly moved about in the face of intense enemy fire in order to care for the wounded. On 11 December he lost his life in a gallant attempt to evacuate a casualty who was exposed to enemy fire. Technician Soliz constantly placed concern for his fellow soldier above his own welfare. Home address: Mrs. Manuela C. Soliz, (mother), General Delivery, Benavidos, Texas.

Staff Sergeant JOHN K. STRUMBERGER, (36155368), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte,

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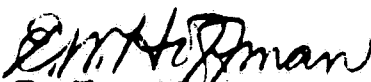
Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. Sergeant Strumberger, although he knew that a soldier had been killed in a previous attempt, went to the aid of a wounded man who lay in a position exposed to enemy fire. He moved forward, over logs, through underbrush, and across open terrain, until he reached the wounded man. He rose in order to move the wounded soldier over a log and was killed by a burst of machine gun fire. Sergeant Strumberger valiantly lost his life while aiding a wounded comrade. Next of kin: Mrs. Katherine Martin, (mother), 3720 Clyde Park, S.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Second Lieutenant ARTHUR J. THOMPSON, (02036711), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 December 1944. An attack by Lieutenant Thompson's platoon on well fortified enemy positions was halted by intense machine gun and rifle fire. In order to locate the well-concealed enemy positions, he deliberately exposed himself to observation and drew their fire, thus enabling him to direct the fire of his own platoon. He then led his platoon in a successful assault. He was killed during the final stages of the fighting. By his gallant action Lieutenant Thompson made possible the success of his platoon's attack and the attaining of its objective. Next of kin: Mrs. Grady Thompson, (mother), Box 45, Fairbanks, Texas.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 1 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Sergeant CLARENCE G. BURNS, (37615135), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 6 December 1944. Sergeant Burns led his squad in an attack on strong enemy positions until very heavy machine gun, grenade, and mortar fire necessitated a withdrawal. Although seriously wounded in both legs, he constantly exposed himself to enemy fire in order to organize and direct the withdrawal. By his heroic action, Sergeant Burns successfully extricated his men from a precarious position. Home address: Mrs. Louise Whitehead, (mother), 1351 Washington Street, Denver, Colorado.

Private First Class ANTOINE CAILLIER, (38261100), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 December 1944. When heavy fire from enemy tanks forced his company to withdraw, Private Caillier noticed that a soldier was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire and unable to move. Immediately he moved to an open area and braved heavy enemy fire in order to cover the withdrawal of his comrade. The volume of fire placed on the enemy by Private Caillier enabled his comrade to move to safety. Home address: Mrs. Elgee Caillier, (mother), Arnandville, Louisiana.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) ERVIN R. EARHART, (33240344), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Yakumul, New Guinea, on 4 June 1944. During an attack by a numerically superior enemy force, Technician Earhart and an officer were separated from friendly troops when a withdrawal was deemed necessary. Since the only means of escape was by swimming around to a battalion perimeter, they ran and plunged into the ocean. The officer was wounded in the head and immediately sank. Technician Earhart dived, brought him to the surface, and swam with him until he was completely exhausted, whereupon he encouraged the officer to float. The officer lost consciousness and again sank, and several attempts failed to bring him to the surface. This heroic action under fire reflects great credit on Technician Earhart and the armed

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forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Esther F. Earhart, (mother), R.F.D. #2, Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania.

Captain HENRY S. GIBBS, JR. (0394437), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 2 December 1944 to 17 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Henry S. Gibbs, (wife), 2008 Shepard Street, Morhead City, North Carolina.

Captain RUSSELL J. GONSOU LIN, (0412044), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 20 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Armande Gonsoulin, (father), 328 Center Street, New Iberia, Louisiana.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) ERWIN W. HEINRICH, (32502091), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 and 11 December 1944. Sergeant Heinrich assumed command of his squad on 10 December and led it in a successful attack. The following day, when his squad had been encircled by an enemy force, he led it in a fight which carried it safely through to friendly territory, personally accounting for three of the enemy. The aggressive and courageous leadership of Sergeant Heinrich relieved what might have been a perilous situation. Home address: Mr. William P. Heinrich, (father), 1506 150th Street, Whitestone, New York.

First Lieutenant SOL JAFFE, (01303895), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 20 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Max Jaffe, (mother), 51 Bell Street, Hempstead, New York.

First Sergeant WILLIAM C. KUHN, (20201563), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 December 1944. Sergeant Kuhn noticed a member of his company seriously wounded and unable to move because of intense enemy fire. He braved heavy machine gun and rifle fire to crawl out to the wounded man and successfully evacuate him to safety. The heroic action of Sergeant Kuhn undoubtedly saved the wounded soldier's life. Home address: Mrs. William Kuhn, (mother), 2317 3rd Avenue, Watervliet, New York.

First Lieutenant ALBERT W. SCHALL, (01302668), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 21 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Iris L. Schall, (wife), 235 Horton Highway, Nineola, New York.

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Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) HAROLD G. SULLIVAN, (35251388), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasian Point, Philippine Islands, from 1 December 1944 to 3 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Sullivan, (mother), Route #1, Linton, Indiana.

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AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL I
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL II

I. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class ERNEST A. DOLLY, (33732328), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 1 December 1944. Private Dolly, a member of a company that had suffered many casualties from constant enemy fire, was mortally wounded by a grenade in an enemy suicidal attack. Knowing that the company was under-strength, he refused to be evacuated and remained at his post until the enemy attack had been repulsed. Private Dolly sacrificed his life in concern for the welfare of his comrades. Next of kin: Mrs. Gladys M. Dolly, (wife), R.F.D. #1, Ridgeley, West Virginia.

Private First Class GONZALO GARCIA, (39861045), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. While acting as lead scout, Private Garcia sighted an advancing enemy patrol and immediately opened fire, causing the enemy to deploy. Although wounded by counter-fire, he held his position until reinforcements arrived. Disregarding his wound, he joined in the ensuing attack, displaying great courage and aggressiveness. He was killed in this action. Private Garcia's heroic action undoubtedly saved his patrol from being overrun and suffering heavy casualties. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary V. Garcia, (mother), Avra Route, Rillito, Arizona.

Staff Sergeant CHELSEA B. HAMILTON, (39574451), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. Sergeant Hamilton designated himself as lead scout of his patrol and moved forward to locate an enemy machine gun that had halted the advance of the company. He had advanced fifty yards when the enemy machine gun opened fire. In a courageous attempt to close with the enemy he was

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killed. By Sergeant Hamilton's heroic act the enemy position was disclosed and later neutralized, thus enabling our forces to advance and attain their objective. Next of kin: Mrs. Delores Hamilton, (wife), 441 Harbor Mills, Lomita, California.

Technician Fifth Grade ALBERT D. LINDSAY, (34773254), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasian Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 22 November 1944 to 11 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Grace L. Lindsay, (mother), 1149 Battleground Avenue, Greensboro, North Carolina.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class LORENZO ALVAREZ, (38460905), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. Private Alvarez, one of a team of automatic riflemen, had taken the foremost position in his platoon's perimeter when the enemy launched a strong counterattack. Although his weapon was put out of action by a grenade, and he suffered bayonet wounds, he continued to fight with a carbine and grenades. Private Alvarez helped kill four enemy soldiers, and was highly instrumental in repulsing the enemy attack. Home address: Mrs. Zenaida Alvarez, (mother), Roma, Texas.

Private RALPH BROUGHTON, (35875724), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 12 December 1944. Private Broughton was a member of a five man patrol with the mission of pinpointing enemy machine gun positions. When the patrol was ambushed and forced to withdraw, he discovered that one man had been wounded and was unable to return. He immediately left his position and moved forward towards the wounded man. He was fired upon and wounded but remained in the draw for six hours until darkness, at which time he successfully aided the other wounded man to safety. Private Broughton's heroic act undoubtedly saved the life of his comrade. Home address: Mr. Boyd Broughton, (father), Rella, Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant HAROLD H. CHAMBERS, (33295186), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 December 1944. Sergeant Chambers led his squad as it spearheaded his company's attack on strong enemy

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positions. He continually exposed himself to enemy fire in order to move amongst his men, encouraging them and directing their fire. He constantly pressed the attack, which resulted in the taking of the enemy positions. Sergeant Chambers' courage and aggressiveness were deciding factors in the success of the attack. Home address: Mrs. Florence B. Chambers, (wife), 232 North Cascade Street, New Castle, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant JOHN R. CHISM, (35251134), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. Two men attempting to aid a wounded man were themselves wounded and all three lay in a position covered by enemy fire. Sergeant Chism crawled forward in the face of heavy fire, reached the wounded men, and dragged them, one by one, to safety. The courageous action of Sergeant Chism undoubtedly saved the lives of his three comrades. Home address: Mrs. John Chism, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Cave City, Kentucky.

Private First Class ALBIN L. CZLAPINSKI, (36306757), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 29 November 1944. Private Czlapinski crawled forward across open terrain, in the face of intense grenade and rifle fire, to reach a wounded man. He succeeded in dragging him to safety. Private Czlapinski's heroic act undoubtedly saved the life of his comrade. Home address: Mrs. Frances Czlapinski, (mother), R.R. #2, Milladore, Wisconsin.

Private First Class ALLEN B. HEIDEBRECHT, (38268354), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 December 1944. Private Heidebrecht was with a patrol which was ambushed in enemy-held territory and suffered several casualties. In the face of heavy enemy fire he crawled forward to administer aid to three wounded men. Private Heidebrecht's heroic action undoubtedly saved the lives of three soldiers. Home address: Mrs. C. D. Heidebrecht, (mother), Coran, Oklahoma.

Technical Sergeant RUFUS W. MC GLOTHLIN, (35251001), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 20 December 1944. In an attack against well-fortified enemy positions, Sergeant McGlothlin exposed himself many times to intense machine gun and rifle fire in order to direct his platoon. Moving forward to a point well in advance of his lines, he pin-pointed enemy positions for the supporting weapons. He was seriously wounded in this action. Sergeant McGlothlin's leadership and aggressiveness contributed greatly to the accomplishment of his platoon's mission. Home address: Mrs. Stella McGlothlin, (mother), Harridsburg, Indiana.

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Private First Class ARTHUR MURGUIA, (39133871), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. Private Murguia, one of a team of automatic riflemen, had taken the foremost position in his platoon's perimeter when the enemy launched a strong counter-attack. Although his weapon was put out of action by a grenade, and he suffered bayonet wounds, he continued to fight with a carbine and grenades. Private Murguia helped kill four enemy soldiers and was highly instrumental in repulsing the enemy attack. Home address: Mrs. Carmen Murguia, (mother), 1019 Seymour Street, Hayward, California.

Private EDWARD W. NIEHAUS, (15116497), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 December 1944. Private Niehaus, acting as lead scout of his patrol, encountered the enemy in well-entrenched positions. He advanced and threw three grenades, killing several of the enemy. He then threw a smoke grenade and furnished covering fire while the patrol withdrew to safety. The heroic action of Private Niehaus reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Edith N. Niehaus, (mother), 328 Ellen Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant) WILLIAM J. VER HEY, (01690725), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 15 December 1944. When two enemy tanks approached, placing heavy fire into our positions, Lieutenant Ver Hey manned a machine gun. When the gun position became untenable, he ran thirty yards under intense fire to put a mortar into action. He then returned to his original position and directed fire on the tanks. Lieutenant Ver Hey's heroic deed made possible the successful defense of our positions. Home address: Mr. Nick Ver Hey, (father), 36 East 26th Street, Holland, Michigan.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) GERALD F. WEILER, (36155180), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. After his platoon leader and platoon sergeant had become casualties, Sergeant Weiler assumed command and led the platoon in an attack, frequently exposing himself to enemy fire in order to encourage his men and direct their fire. When ordered to withdraw, he directed the evacuation of the wounded and remained behind to furnish covering fire. Sergeant Weiler's aggressive and courageous leadership reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. William F. Weiler, (mother), R.F.D. #4, Box 208, Battle Creek, Michigan.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private VIRGIL K. GANDEE, (39473853), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Natividad-Timayac area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 March 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Visa Gandee, (mother), Route #1, New Plymouth, Idaho.

Private WALTER F. GERTZ, (39051207), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Natividad-Timayac area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 March 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nellie Gertz, (mother), 1076 24th Street, Oakland, California.

Private SAMUEL M. GRAYSON, (39587413), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Natividad-Timayac area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 March 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances O. Grayson, (wife), 1501 Georgia Street, Los Angeles, California.

Staff Sergeant JOHN T. HOLTON, (36691924), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Natividad-Timayac area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 March 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Theresa S. Holton, (mother), 3829 North Springfield, Chicago, Illinois.

First Lieutenant JAMES W. HOVIOUS, (01322787), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Natividad-Timayac area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 March 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Hudgens, (sister), 1055 Earl Boulevard, Ferndale, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH J. JANDURA, (33053741), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Ansagan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 March 1945. When the lead scout of his

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patrol was wounded, Sergeant Jandura went to his aid. He braved enemy sniper and mortar fire in order to reach the wounded soldier and carry him to safety. Sergeant Jandura's heroic action undoubtedly saved his comrade's life. Home address: Mrs. Thomas Jandura, (mother), 2725 Poplar Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

First Sergeant HENRY J. KRAUTKRAMER, (20647438), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 6 December 1944. Sergeant Krautkramer was one of a party of four men that went, in the face of heavy sniper fire, to the aid of a wounded man. While they were administering first aid, two of the rescuers were also wounded. Aided by the fourth soldier, Sergeant Krautkramer again braved sniper fire to rescue the three wounded men and carry them to safety. Sergeant Krautkramer's courageous action, performed in the face of known danger, reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Miss Louise Krautkramer, (sister), 521 Third Street, Menasha, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant JOHNNIE C. PRICE, (20811065), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Natividad-Timayac area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 March 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ibbie Lou Price, (wife), 535 Hayes Street, San Francisco, California.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM R. PROCKNOW, (20645677), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 6 December 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara Procknow, (mother), 2103 Doty Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Private WILLIAM F. RIDGWAY, (33798799), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Natividad-Timayac area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 March 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Matilda Ridgway, (mother), 265 West Indiana Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Private MERLIN G. SNELL, (37697436), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Natividad-Timayac area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 March 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucy O. Snell, (mother), Route #1, Mabel, Minnesota.

First Lieutenant EGBERT J. VANDER KOOI, (01017039), Armored Force, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near

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Ansagan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 13 March 1945 to 17 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice Vander Kooi, (wife), Route #1, Zeeland, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant ABRAHAM L. ZIEGLER, (32307189), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 20 September 1944 to 18 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Regina Ziegler, (mother), 738 High Street, Newark, New Jersey.

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ORIGINAL ORDER

AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER..... I
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL..... II
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.....III

I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to First Sergeant Henry J. Krautkramer by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, General Orders No. 54, dated 27 March 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

First Sergeant HENRY J. KRAUTKRAMER, (20647438), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea, from 23 April 1944 to 18 August 1944, and on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Miss Louise Krautkramer, (sister), 521 Third Street, Menasha, Wisconsin.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near San Nicolas, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 February 1945. This officer and these enlisted men were members of an eight-man party which sought out an enemy force that had been reported near a company command post. When the enemy opened fire from well concealed positions with small arms and grenades, the officer and two enlisted men detached themselves from the group, closed in, and exchanged fire with the enemy at point blank range. Amongst them they killed eight enemy soldiers, and their companions killed the remaining two. By the heroic and aggressive action of this officer and these enlisted men an enemy force which offered a dangerous threat to rear installations was completely annihilated:

Private First Class RAYMOND J. HAMMERLUND, (16072573), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Hammerlund, (mother), 110 Park Street, Kewanee, Illinois.

First Lieutenant JAMES M. HORTON, (01300968), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary J. Luten, (cousin), Waverly, Tennessee.

Private First Class ALEX LOWERY, (34289547), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. John Lowery, (guardian), Route #4, Knoxville, Tennessee.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze

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Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant ANDREW J. CROWLEY, (37086894), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Gibucan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 31 December 1944. Sergeant Crowley crawled forward under intense machine gun and mortar fire to aid a wounded soldier. He reached the man, picked him up, and carried him in his arms to a position of safety. Sergeant Crowley's courageous action undoubtedly saved the wounded man's life. Home address: Mrs. Cecilia Crowley, (mother), Lusk, Wyoming.

Technician Fourth Grade DONALD A. DE BRUE, (36204848), Infantry, United Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 8 September 1944 to 18 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose DeBrue, (mother), 1308 South Webster Avenue, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Private WILLIAM DI MARZIO, (31459061), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 February 1945. When an enemy ambush seriously wounded a soldier, Private DiMarzio, under intense fire, went to his aid. He drove off an enemy soldier and remained in an exposed position, shielding and guarding the wounded man until such time as he could be removed to cover. By his heroic act Private DiMarzio undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Reanette I. DiMarzio, (wife), Church Street, Gilbertville, Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade STANLEY MARKIE ICZ, (33144483), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945, and on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 23 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Pranton, (mother), 50 Upper Shaft, Shaft, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade LESTER A. ROBBINS, (36207054), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea, the Netherlands East Indies, and the Philippine Islands from 5 October 1943 to 18 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lena Robbins, (mother), Fall River, Wisconsin.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private ROBERT C. BOGAN, (34773461), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. When enemy infiltration groups launched a night grenade attack against the perimeter of the company to which Private Bogan was attached, several men received severe wounds and began calling for aid. At the time, he was far enough back from the outer line to be out of range of the intense barrage, but, hearing the outcries of the injured men, he left his safe position and began crawling through the extreme darkness out to the edge of the perimeter. At a point no more than ten yards from the attackers he located two men and administered first-aid, heedless of the continuing assault. He then dragged one man back to a position of safety and returned to bring the second man to a secure point. Private Bogan's courage under intense fire undoubtedly saved the lives of the two wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Annie B. Bogan, (mother), RFD #8, Plaza Road, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM F. CHENAULT, (33224924), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. Technician Chenault accompanied two companies of infantry in an advance against formidable enemy emplacements. The hostile forces were entrenched in dense jungle growth on the top of a long, high ridge, from which point they were subjecting the terrain below to an intense sweeping fire. In the assault several men were wounded. Leaving the security of his position, Technician Chenault moved forward into the clearing and there administered first aid to many of the casualties, although he was exposed throughout to the heavy hostile machine gun, small arms, and grenade fire. By his intrepidity and devotion to duty Technician Chenault undoubtedly saved the lives of several of the injured men. Home address: Mrs. Rall Chenault, (mother), R.F.D. #9, S. Richmond, Virginia.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) WILLIAM M. FIELDS, (34119938), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection

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with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 21 November 1944. Sergeant Fields was in sole command of a carrier train composed of ten guards and forty-three civilian carriers dispatched to carry vitally needed supplies to an outlying battalion engaged with the enemy. Having arrived at the command post of an intervening battalion, they were informed that no physical contact had been established with the battalion to be supplied, that no guides were available, and that there were no known trails. Sergeant Fields, aware of the urgency of his mission, established radio contact with the outlying battalion and instructed them to fire three shots every fifteen minutes as a guide to their location. He then led the train through terrain patrolled by the enemy and maintained the speed of the movement of the carriers although the train was exposed to the harassing fire of snipers. Arriving at his destination, he delivered the supplies and undertook to take back two disabled men on the return trip that night. Moving over the trail they had blazed enroute, the train proceeded until a heavy barrage of bullets from the surrounding darkness caused the carriers to disperse. He immediately moved to protect the litter cases and then plunged into the bush to rally his men. Heedless of danger, he reorganized his carriers and continued on. Sergeant Fields' superior qualities of leadership and courage were responsible for the complete success of an important mission. Home address: Mrs. Ona B. Fields, (mother), 601 Driver Avenue, Durham, North Carolina.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) ROY M. JOHNSON, (37097194), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 3 December 1944. Sergeant Johnson and his platoon were sent forward into enemy territory to lay a series of ambushes and to reconnoiter along an important road. Having secured the desired information, the patrol was returning to the main body when they were suddenly exposed to violent fire by a concealed enemy force. Without concern for his own safety, Sergeant Johnson dashed to the point of danger and attacked the enemy with grenade and rifle fire, thereby enabling his patrol to attain a position of security. He then withdrew to rejoin his patrol and lead his men to their destination. By his valiant courage and selflessness, Sergeant Johnson succeeded in bringing back important information to his company, and undoubtedly saved the lives of several of his men. Home address: Mr. Alvin M. Johnson, (brother), Danube, Minnesota.

Technical Sergeant HARVEL E. FAULKNER, (38199891), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 1 December 1944. Sergeant Faulkner's company was occupying an entrenched position when hostile forces launched a violent, determined attack which enabled the enemy to set up automatic weapons subjecting the left flank of our troops to sweeping, intense fire. An enlisted man was struck and fell

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seriously wounded in a forward position exposed to the enemy's fire. In spite of the extreme danger involved, Sergeant Faulkner left his position and began crawling toward the injured man. As he approached, the foe intensified their fire but he persisted until he reached the disabled man. Then, dragging the casualty with him, he retraced his path through the continuing violent machine-gun and small arms fire until he had brought his comrade to a safe position. Sergeant Faulkner's devoted and heroic action served as an inspiration to the men of his company and saved the life of the wounded man. Home address: Mr. Martin Faulkner, (father), Route #1, Clarksville, Texas.

Sergeant VERNON HOLLRAH, (37111473), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands on 8 December 1944. A unit of our forces was subjected to a night attack by a large number of the enemy. Under cover of darkness, and assisted by a furious and unceasing mortar barrage and sweeping heavy machine gun fire, the enemy was attempting to infiltrate and storm our positions. During this assault Sergeant Hollrah heard the moans of an injured comrade from a listening post forty feet to the front of his emplacement. Needless of the exploding grenades and the machine guns firing from short range, he crawled to the forward point and dressed the injuries of the wounded man. This done, he dragged and carried the casualty through the barrage to a position of safety. Sergeant Hollrah's gallantry and devotion undoubtedly saved the life of his wounded comrade. Home address: Mrs. Anna Hollrah, (mother), Route #2, Charter Oak, Iowa.

Private First Class EARL MILLER, (37111423), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. Two companies of our infantry had assaulted and won the slope and crest of a hill adjacent to a hill twenty yards removed occupied by the adverse force. The enemy launched a counterattack with heavy machine-gun, grenade, and rifle fire which rapidly made the forward part of the hill untenable. Our force was compelled to withdraw up the slope to the crest of the hill. Private Miller, noting a wounded comrade lying in an exposed position, voluntarily remained behind and dashed across the open terrain swept by heavy fire to the side of the fallen man. Carrying the casualty, he retraced his path over the difficult terrain, still under heavy machine-gun and grenade fire, to a secure position. Private Miller's heedlessness of self and courage under fire saved his comrade from almost certain death. Home address: Mrs. Edna Miller, (mother), Route #9, Bloomfield, Iowa.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) GEORGE E. MUELLER, (0442046), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 6 December 1944. Lieutenant Mueller was ordered to take his platoon to reconnoiter a densely-wooded area. The patrol approached an entrenched enemy position

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which opened up with machine gun, grenade, and rifle fire from a distance of thirty yards. At the head of the main body of his men, he observed an enlisted man being struck and falling at a point twenty yards ahead. While the other men withdrew, he dashed to the side of the casualty and, mindless of the furious fire to which he was exposed throughout, succeeded in returning with the injured man to the remainder of the patrol. Lieutenant Mueller's prompt action saved the life of a comrade and furnished a commendable example of heroism under fire to the men of his command. Home address: Miss Peggy Mueller, (sister), 1028 Ashland, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Private First Class JAMES E. NOETH, (37231411), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. Private Noeth's company assaulted a formidable and well entrenched enemy position on high ground overlooking a strategically important road. The initial attack was repulsed and when the company withdrew several severely wounded soldiers were lying in an exposed position. He undertook to rescue one of the wounded, and, accompanied by another man, began crawling through difficult terrain while subjected to intense machine gun and rifle fire by the nearby enemy. When his companion was struck, he pushed forward alone and succeeded in returning with the casualty to a position of safety. Private Noeth's highly courageous action reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Ellen Noeth, (wife), 200 West Armour Boulevard, Kansas City, Missouri.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) JACK W. SHANNON, (37096331), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 9 December 1944. Sergeant Shannon's battalion was occupying a position under violent and sustained fire of hostile artillery, tanks, and machine guns. When a man was severely wounded and lay in an exposed locality, he proceeded across wooded and sloping terrain under the enemy artillery barrage and sweeping machine-gun fire to the side of the fallen man and returned with him over the extremely hazardous and difficult route to the protection of our lines. By this outstanding act of heroism under enemy fire Sergeant Shannon undoubtedly saved the life of a comrade. Home address: Mr. Hugh Shannon, (father), 517 Second Avenue West, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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ORIGINAL ORDER

AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER..... I
AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER..... II
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL..... III

I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant Lester A. Carlson by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, section III, General Orders No. 4, dated 8 January 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, D, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) LESTER A. CARLSON, (33274054), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945, and on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 23 February 1945. Home address: Mr. John Carlson, (father), R.F.D. #2, Sheffield, Pennsylvania.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant Elmer O. Ziegler by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 4, section III, General Orders No. 4, dated 8 January 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, D, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant ELMER O. ZIEGLER, (36204922), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945, and on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 23 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Arno Ziegler, (father), 1633 North 16th Street, Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, D, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade SYDNEY H. BAKER, (39339481), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Vernice Baker, (wife), 916 West 9th Street, Los Angeles, California.

Staff Sergeant BENNIE F. BELL, (6959108), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the San Isidro-Sapinit area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 February 1945 to 8 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Blanche Bell, (wife), General Delivery, San Saba, Texas.

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Captain SAMUEL K. BOHLER, JR., (0364524), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 15 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Milledge W. Bohler, (wife), 2198 DeFours Road, Atlanta, Georgia.

Corporal RICHARD L. CRAIN, (37372846), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945, and on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 23 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Ernest P. Crain, (father), Aldrien, Missouri.

Technician Fourth Grade CHARLES A. ENGSTROM, (35252983), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mr. James C. Rowley, (brother), 1657 North 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ Street, Terre Haute, Indiana.

Technician Fourth Grade CLARENCE D. HARMAN, (17040168), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Edward D. Harman, (father), 924 North 36th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Technician Fifth Grade DOYLE C. HOWELL, (38348813), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn C. Howell, (wife), Fort Sumner, New Mexico.

Private ROBERT J. LEPPER, (39593335), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marian Lepper, (wife), 194 North Ventura Avenue, Ventura, California.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM R. PEERY, (37504525), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edith A. Peery, (wife), Route #2, Knob Noster, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade ROLAND N. SIMONCINI, (39828851), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945; and on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 23 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Simoncini, (mother), 745 G Street, Sparks, Nevada.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM R. SINGLETON, (35005873), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Singleton, (mother), 3109 Church Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

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Technician Fifth Grade RUSSELL W. SMITH, (15105220), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rebecca M. Smith, (mother), Box 22, Wilsonburg, West Virginia.

Private First Class THERON H. TURNER, (34705313), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Flora Belle Turner, (wife), Heflin, Alabama.

First Lieutenant LOUIS J. WORTHAM, (01031606), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945, and on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 7 March 1945. Home address: Mr. William B. Wortham, (father), Center, Texas.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class TEDDY L. BENTLEY, (34774131), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 23 November 1944. When a member of a reconnaissance patrol was seriously wounded, Private Bentley, an aid man, crawled forward under intense machine gun fire and successfully dressed the soldier's wound. He then alternately dragged and carried the wounded man back to safety, still under enemy fire. Private Bentley's courageous act reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Lillie Bentley, (wife), Cherry Street, Taylorville, North Carolina.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) JOSEPH G. CAMPBELL, (34630622), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connections with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 22 November 1944 to 9 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. J. A. Campbell, (mother), Terry, Mississippi.

Staff Sergeant MILAN H. CLAUDELL, (39076995), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 6 December 1944 to 20 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Emma Claudell, (mother), Box 215, Ripon, California.

First Lieutenant LLOYD B. FISH, (01299549), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Catabaran, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 9 and 10 December 1944. Lieutenant Fish led a reconnaissance patrol which was attacked by a numerically superior force armed with rifles and several machine guns. He ordered his men to dig in, and they were successful in halting the enemy attack. The following morning, taking five men and leaving the remainder to contain the enemy, he circled the enemy positions and succeeded in reconnoitering the area to the rear, after which he safely led his entire patrol back to his battalion's perimeter. By Lieutenant Fish's skillful and aggressive leadership the desired information was obtained without loss to the patrol. Home address: Mrs. Charles H. Fish, (mother), Jonesboro, Maine.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) AREON C. HALE, (34377838), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 December 1944. In a flanking movement, Private Hale, leading his squad in the attack, encountered the enemy advancing to repulse this movement. Standing up under full observation, he killed several of the enemy before being wounded by

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mortar fragments. As a result of Sergeant Hale's courageous action the enemy advance was halted and his squad continued its attack. Home address: Mrs. Laura L. Hale, (mother), Route #1, Gates, Tennessee.

Private First Class ELDON W. HAYES, (39919594), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 30 November 1944 to 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Gladys Hayes (wife) Kaysville, Utah.

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~~Technical Sergeant~~ JAMES E. MCKEE, (33317), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 December 1944. When his platoon leader was killed, Sergeant McKee took command, and with a six man patrol advanced on enemy positions, in the face of heavy grenade and rifle fire. Well in the lead of his men, he killed one enemy soldier with grenades; then, standing in full view of the enemy, he killed and wounded several others with rifle fire. Sgt McKee's courageous action so inspired his men that they closed in and routed the remaining enemy. Home address: Mrs. Ella McKee, (mother), 1600 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant AUGUST F. SCHEHR, (33117162), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 3 December 1944. In order to determine the feasibility of establishing a road block, Sergeant Schehr led a patrol into enemy-held territory on five reconnaissance missions during the day. While on one patrol he crawled within fifteen yards of the enemy and managed to cut their communication lines. Sergeant Schehr's daring made possible the success of an attack the following day and the establishing of the road block. Home address: Mrs. Hannah Schehr, (mother), Rillton, Iowa.

Sergeant VIRGIL J. STALLSMITH, (35251495), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 December 1944. When his company was halted by a strong enemy force, Sergeant Stallsmith, hearing a call for more grenades from the lead squad, moved forward under heavy fire and distributed the required grenades. He then noticed a wounded man lying in front of the lines and, still under enemy fire, he ran forward and successfully evacuated him to safety. Upon hearing the call for still more grenades, he again moved forward, and after distributing this supply of grenades remained with the unit. Sergeant Stallsmith's heroic conduct undoubtedly saved the life of a comrade and contributed materially to the subsequent rout of the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Stallsmith, (mother), R.R. #4, Hartford City, Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM R. SURRATT, (34036036), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Colasian Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 21 November 1944. During an attack, Technician Surratt, an aid man, efficiently treated the wounded and supervised their evacuation, often exposing himself to enemy fire in order to do so. On one occasion, while under intense fire, he crawled forward over open terrain and successfully dragged two seriously wounded men to safety. Technician Surratt's courageous action reflects great credit on himself and the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Clara S. Surratt, (mother), Southmont, North Carolina.

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AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER I
AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER II
AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR III

I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Lieutenant Colonel Oliver O. Dixon by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, section II, General Orders Number 5, dated 19 January 1943, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel OLIVER O DIXON, (0283807), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 10 December 1944 to 15 December 1944. Lieutenant Colonel Dixon, a battalion commander, repeatedly exposed himself to enemy fire in order to reconnoiter terrain and enemy dispositions in preparation for a large-scale attack. He remained with front line elements when the attack was launched on 15 December. Throughout two unsuccessful assaults he was often subject to enemy fire as he moved amongst his men, encouraging and advising them. He personally observed and adjusted mortar fire, after which he led a final, successful attack. Because of Lieutenant Colonel Dixon's gallant and aggressive leadership his battalion's objective was attained. Home address: Mrs. Grace Dixon, (wife), R. R. #1, Bedford, Indiana.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Captain Harry L. Richardson, Jr, by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, section I, General Orders Number 65, dated 31 August 1943, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved: 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Captain HARRY L RICHARDSON, JR, (0376415), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Colasian Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 20 November 1944 to 22 November 1944. When a large enemy force infiltrated and began moving in the direction of friendly artillery positions, Captain Richardson, a battalion executive officer, secured the few miscellaneous troops available to him and organized a line to fight a delaying action. He frequently exposed himself to enemy fire in order to

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place men in advantageous positions and direct their fire. The hastily organized force succeeded in halting the enemy advance. When reinforcements arrived, Captain Richardson was given command of the augmented force, and he led it in two days of fierce fighting which resulted in the annihilation of the enemy. Captain Richardson, by his courageous leadership and coolness under fire, eliminated a serious enemy threat. Home address: Mrs. Virginia B. Richardson, (mother), Bagby, Virginia.

III. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private ARNOLD L BATE, (39920041), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. Private Bate left a sheltered position to go to the aid of a wounded soldier. In the face of heavy enemy fire he crawled forward, reached the wounded man, and proceeded alternately to drag and carry him to safety. He was himself seriously wounded but proceeded with his burden until he reached a point of safety. By his gallant action, Private Bate undoubtedly saved the life of a wounded comrade. Home address: Mrs. Isabell H. Bate, (mother), 1422 East Franklin Street, Boise, Idaho.

Private First Class CASIMIR CZYZEWSKI, (20634443), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 December 1944. During a violent fire fight Private Czyzewski charged an enemy dugout with fixed bayonet. Although subject to heavy enemy fire from several positions, he succeeded in killing the four occupants with grenades and hand-to-hand combat. He then continued in his platoon's attack. Private Czyzewski's aggressiveness and courage in the face of enemy fire enabled his platoon to advance and accomplish its mission. Home address: Mrs. Anna Lasinski, (aunt), 313 Richardson Street, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Captain MARK A FARRELL, (0476978), Chaplain Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. Chaplain Farrell was administering last rites when an enemy artillery barrage was laid down in the area. Regardless of the shells landing in the near vicinity, he continued the service until completed. He then assisted in caring for and evacuating the wounded and organized burial parties. During the entire barrage Chaplain Farrell was an outstanding figure, and his calm, courageous conduct inspired all who witnessed it. Home address: Mrs. Montia F. Gregg, (sister), 1830 Stevens Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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Captain BARNEY W. FINKEL, (0353167), Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 11 December 1944. Upon learning that two soldiers were seriously wounded and lying exposed to enemy fire, Captain Finkel crawled forward, under heavy machine gun and rifle fire, and administered plasma. He then dragged both men twenty yards back to safety. Captain Finkel's gallant action undoubtedly saved the lives of the two soldiers. Home address: Mr. Jacob W. Finkel, (father), 4230 Sacramento Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

First Lieutenant GEORGE R GIESEN, (02035312), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 7 December 1944. Leading his platoon on a mopping up mission, Lieutenant Giesen encountered an enemy soldier in a well-entrenched position, with a large supply of hand grenades. He immediately closed in, firing as he went, when the enemy threw several grenades, one of which seriously wounded him in the shoulder. Disregarding his wound, he charged the position and killed the enemy soldier. Lieutenant Giesen's gallant action in the face of known danger reflects great credit on him and the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mr. John Giesen, (father), 812 Allen Street, Rapid City, South Dakota.

Staff Sergeant FELIX F GUTOWSKI, (20633539), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 14 and 15 December 1944. When Sergeant Gutowski observed that an enemy tank had moved past a road block after a rocket had missed it, he seized a rocket launcher and ran after the tank. He knocked out the tank, turned, and saw a second tank approaching. He ran to the side of the road, launched a rocket, and so severely damaged the tank that a second rocket fired by another soldier destroyed it. During that same night and on the following night he destroyed two more enemy tanks. Sergeant Gutowski, by his courage and daring, eliminated a serious threat to our lines. Home address: Mr. Nicholas Gutowski, (father), 618 2d Street, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Captain WILBUR C LYTLE, (0450610), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 20 December 1944. Captain Lytle, a battalion staff officer, assumed command of a company which was pinned down by heavy machine gun and rifle fire. He moved forward under enemy fire to reconnoiter and devise a plan of attack. In the ensuing assault he led the foremost elements and so skillfully directed fire and maneuvered his men that the enemy positions were quickly overrun and many of the occupants killed. Captain Lytle's aggressive leadership and calmness under fire made possible the success of the assault. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn D. Lytle, (wife), Box 477, Randolph Field, Texas.

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Sergeant LOWELL J MATTHEWSON, (17067405), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 December 1944. When heavy enemy machine gun fire halted their company's advance, Sergeant Matthewson and another soldier armed themselves with grenades and crawled forward, under intense machine gun fire, to within ten feet of the enemy, from which point they threw grenades into the gun position. The courageous action of Sergeant Matthewson and his companion resulted in the destruction of the enemy emplacement and the advance of their company. Home address: Mrs. Anita Mathewson, (wife), 944 Mt. Loretta, Dubuque, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) NEWMAN W PHILLIPS, (17121190), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Pinamopan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. In a flanking movement against well-fortified enemy positions, Sergeant Phillips was lead scout for his platoon. Moving within ten yards of an enemy gun emplacement, he dashed forward and leaped into the position, killing one occupant with his rifle butt and shooting the other. The enemy then launched a strong counter-attack which necessitated the withdrawal of his platoon. Remaining in the enemy position, he gave his platoon covering fire and then destroyed the vital parts of the machine gun before withdrawing himself. Sergeant Phillips' aggressive and gallant action undoubtedly saved his platoon from suffering heavy casualties. Home address: Mrs. James Phillips, (mother), 25 Raymond Street, Pattonville, Missouri.

First Lieutenant JAMES K SULLIVAN, (01302726), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 15 December 1944. When two enemy tanks approached a road block commanded by Lieutenant Sullivan, he ran forty yards while exposed to cannon and machine gun fire to an unoccupied machine gun position and placed counter fire on the tanks. Turning the machine gun over to an enlisted man, he moved amongst his men, encouraging them and placing them in advantageous positions. Despite a wound he had received early in the fire fight, he braved intense enemy fire to carry ammunition to the crews of two rocket launchers, which enabled them to destroy the enemy tanks. Lieutenant Sullivan so inspired his men by his aggressive leadership and courage that the roadblock was held in the face of several subsequent attacks. Home address: Mrs. Sarah Caswell, (mother), Hollis, Oklahoma.

Sergeant ROBERT L WILCOX, (37111069), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 12 December 1944. While leading a reconnaissance patrol, Sergeant Wilcox encountered an advancing enemy patrol. He immediately killed the enemy lead scout, and, after deploying his men, went out alone to flank the enemy. From a point within ten yards of the enemy, he threw grenades, after which he aggressively closed

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in, killing several and routing the remainder. Sergeant Wilcox displayed forceful leadership and admirable daring in this action. Home address: Mrs. Stella Saddri, (sister), Vinton, Iowa.

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AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL I
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL II

I. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Corporal RALPH E. BERG, (36721311), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the San Nicolas-Santa Maria area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 5 February 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Clara Berg, (mother), 5632 North Ozark Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class LLOYD R. LOVOLD, (39583377), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 February 1945 to 7 March 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Louise H. Lovold, (wife), 4805 West 142nd Street, Hawthorne, California.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class HAROLD E. ANDERSON, (37592679), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 February 1945 to 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary M. Anderson, (wife), 813 Marshall Street, N.E., Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) HENRY E. BROOKS, (39592878), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 March 1945. Sergeant Brooks advanced to search out and eliminate pockets of enemy snipers whose withering fire was causing many casualties. Armed with an automatic rifle, he crossed open terrain exposed to the hostile fire, and in an

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exchange of shots killed three of the enemy and wounded and dispersed several others. Sergeant Brooks' courageous action eliminated a source of danger to his companions, and materially weakened a strong hostile position. Home address: Mrs. Wilma L. Brooks, (wife), 4724 East 52nd Drive, Maywood, California.

Private First Class EDWARD FEUERSTEIN, (42052338), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 February 1945 to 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sarah H. Feuerstein, (mother), 1263 Grant Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class) HOWARD R. GRAY, JR., (32076481), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 February 1945 to 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cora Gray, (mother), 1902 Seneca Road, Canby Park Gardens, Wilmington, Delaware.

First Lieutenant ALFRED S. HAZARD, (01292520), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 February 1945 to 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maude W. Hazard, (mother), 7333 Piney Branch Road, Takoma Park, Maryland.

Staff Sergeant GORDON W. HUNGER, (20646624), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 28 January 1945 to 2 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Viola Hunger, (mother), R.R. #2, Ripon, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant VINCENT B. ORTEGA, JR., (39570140), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 February 1945 to 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Senovia Ortega, (mother), Route #1, Box 45A, Garden Grove, California.

Staff Sergeant SILAS E. RATCLIFFE, (39044392), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 February 1945 to 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Grace Ratcliffe, (mother), 1109 West 6th Street, Boone, Iowa.

Private First Class ROBERT E. RENNER, (39051720), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 February 1945 to 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary A. Renner, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Box 167, Fortuna, California.

Sergeant (then Private) LOUIS Z. ROULAIN, (38181689), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 February 1945 to 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Laura Roulain, (mother), Route #2, Gracemont, Oklahoma.

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Captain DAVID C. SILVEN, (0351278), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Kathleen D. Silven, (wife), 902 Broadway, Bend, Oregon.

Staff Sergeant WILBUR T. SORRELLS, (33210794), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 February 1945 to 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Empress T. Sorrells, (mother), Fairfield, Virginia.

First Lieutenant GEORGE J. STORIM, (01301557), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, on 9 February 1945. Lieutenant Storim was in command of his company when the enemy initiated a violent mortar barrage. In the midst of this bombardment he moved along the length of the line, encouraging his men and organizing their positions for defense against the attack which the enemy subsequently launched. Because of his prompt and capable defensive measures, the enemy's charge was successfully repulsed. Then placing himself at the head of his assault platoon, he led a counterattack which dispersed the enemy and inflicted many casualties upon them. Lieutenant Storim's splendid leadership and heroic conduct under fire were greatly responsible for the successful outcome of this engagement, and served as an inspiration to the men of his command. Home address: Mrs. Caroline Storim, (mother), 104-61 Richmond Hill, Long Island, New York.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) RAYMOND G. WEIDE, (39570164), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 February 1945 to 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lydia A. Weide, (mother), 602 14th Street, Huntington Beach, California.

Technical Sergeant JOE B. WORLEY, (6276697), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 February 1945 to 7 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Jesse Worley, (father), Mineral Springs, Arkansas.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL..... I
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL..... II
AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL.....III

I. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. When a number of enemy shells fell in their company area, these four enlisted men immediately began administering first aid to the casualties. They worked for several hours under the intense and unceasing barrage, until all casualties had been treated and transferred to ambulances. They then served as guards and protected the convoy until a position of relative safety was reached. The four men spent the entire night administering to the needs of these and other casualties arriving during this period. The courage under fire of these men, and their unflagging efforts on behalf of the wounded, undoubtedly saved the lives of many of the casualties:

Private First Class LARRY B. ANDERSON, (37356966), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Mr. Oscar N. Anderson, (father), 503 South Jackson Street, Casper, Wyoming.

Corporal BOLTON J. EUDALEY, (33125359), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mrs. Neda Eudaley, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Noseley, Virginia.

Staff Sergeant LUVERNE A. JAHSMAN, (20645620), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mrs. Reside E. Jahsman, (mother), Manawa, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant (then Corporal) FRED SPEISS, (20654408), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mr. F. C. Speiss, (father), 306 Kenosha, Walsworth, Wisconsin.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain WILLIAM W. BRAGG, JR., (0364973), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 15 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Illean S. Bragg, (wife), Route #3, Longbottom, Ohio.

Technical Sergeant EARL L. KOHLER, (20647531), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Inambak, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 2 December 1944. Sergeant Kohler led his platoon in an attack against a strongly entrenched hostile position. Initial assault was repulsed by the violent artillery, mortar, and small arms fire of the defenders. Although he was wounded, and several of

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his men casualties, he led the remainder of his command forward and engaged a numerically superior force of the enemy, inflicting many casualties upon them. When the order was given to withdraw, he remained at the scene of the action, heedless of his own injuries, supervising the evacuation of the wounded, until satisfied that all were properly attended. Sergeant Kohler's heroic leadership and devotion to his men are in the best traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Leadna Kohler, (mother), 115 Larson Street, Menasha, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant DONALD F. LITTLE, (36460454), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Tolibaw, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 21 December 1944. Sergeant Little and another enlisted man undertook to destroy a strongly emplaced enemy machine gun. He and his companion, carrying a flame thrower, crawled through the intense fire of the enemy to within twenty yards of the emplacement. The flame thrower was found to be defective, and while the other man returned to exchange the weapon Sergeant Little maintained his hazardous position and awaited his return. While the second man successfully employed the flame thrower, he covered him with rifle fire, and personally accounted for four of the enemy. Sergeant Little's courageous endeavors contributed greatly to the destruction of an enemy strong point. Home Address: Mrs. Pearl E. Little, (mother), Route #4, Muskegon, Michigan.

Private First Class JOHN LUSAN, (39019304), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Tolibaw, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 21 December 1944. While participating in an attack against an enemy-held hill, Private Lusan observed a fellow soldier struck by the cross fire from the defenders' machine guns. He immediately crawled across the hazardous, exposed terrain and, although himself wounded, carried the injured man a distance of fifty yards to a position of safety. Private Lusan risked his own life to save a wounded comrade. Home Address: Mr. George Lusan, (brother), General Delivery, San Diego, California.

First Lieutenant BILL MULLEN, (0438792), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 15 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home Address: Mr. Harry B. Mullen, (father), 4825 California Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private) WILLIAM F. ROAT, (34796203), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Lamon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. Technician Roat was nearby when an enemy shell exploded in a regimental command post, causing many casualties. He immediately left his covered position to go to the aid of the wounded and, regardless of the continuous and violent hostile barrage, acted as aid man and litter bearer for over an hour until all of the wounded had been evacuated. Technician Roat's prompt and courageous efforts undoubtedly saved the lives of several men. Home Address: Mrs. Peggy Roat, (mother), 1136 Oak Avenue, Panama City, Florida.

Sergeant DANIEL J. ROSKOSKEY, (36156103), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea, from 23 April 1944 to 15 August 1944, and on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Geraldine Roskoskey, (mother), Filer City, Michigan.

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III. AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), the Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight near Aitape, New Guinea, from 2 June 1944 to 13 August 1944. These men made repeated flights in unarmored transport planes, risking, and at times encountering, the fire of enemy ground forces in order to drop supplies which were urgently needed by ground troops in combat with the enemy:

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN C. CHAPMAN, (34164507), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mr. James A. Chapman, (father), 1309 Church Street, Alexander City, Alabama.

Sergeant (then Private) B. L. DONALDSON, (39169772), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mr. W. F. Loftis, (grandfather), Route #2, Box 162, Eastland, Texas.

Technician Fifth Grade THOMAS JAGER, (36156178), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mrs. Johanna Jager, (mother), Route #1, Falmouth, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) CLAIRE A RIEWE, (36271026), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mrs. Ida Riewe, (mother), Route #1, Oconto, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade IRVIN G. TOLAR, (39383158), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mr. Ed S. Tolar, (father), 3915 Winona Street, Bellingham, Washington.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer, warrant officer, and enlisted men:

Private First Class THEODORE E. BAUER, (37314626), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. An assault by Private Bauer's platoon against well-entrenched enemy positions was halted by intense machine gun, grenade, and rifle fire from a pillbox. Private Bauer, accompanied by another man, crawled over the steep, wooded terrain and attacked the strongpoint. In spite of the enemy's efforts to halt him by continuous and intense fire, he advanced, throwing grenades until he was wounded. Private Bauer's heroic conduct inspired the men of his platoon to press forward and successfully storm the hostile position. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Bauer, (mother), Turtle Lake, North Dakota.

Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant) CARLTON S. BECKMAN, (36406537), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 22 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Zora Beckman, (wife), R.F.D. #3, White Cloud, Michigan.

Private First Class WILLIAM B. CARTEE, (34381172), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 14 and 15 December 1944. An assault by a platoon against enemy positions was halted by intense machine gun fire. Private Cartee moved his light machine gun to a favorable point and, in spite of the enemy's efforts to dislodge him, so effectively directed his fire that he reduced resistance and enabled the platoon to continue its advance. The following day he placed his light machine gun on a ridge overlooking a road along which the enemy was moving, and by the fire of his weapon completely disrupted the hostile convoy, dispersing personnel and vehicles, and knocking out an enemy tankette. Private Cartee displayed courage and coolness under fire in these actions. Home address: Mrs. Vera Mae Cartee, (mother), 6 Hill Street, Easley, South Carolina.

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Private JAMES C. CRUCIAN, (36885378), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. Private Crucian moved across terrain swept by violent enemy machine gun, grenade, and small arms fire to administer aid to the wounded. He continued at his task until all the casualties were treated, although he was often exposed to direct and intense hostile fire. Private Crucian's courageous devotion to duty undoubtedly saved the lives of several of the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Maria Crucian, (mother), 4655 Russell Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) WILLIAM V. DALTON, (37358255), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. An assault by Sergeant Dalton's platoon against well entrenched enemy positions was halted by intense machine gun, grenade, and rifle fire from a pillbox. Sergeant Dalton, accompanied by another man, crawled over the steep, wooded terrain and attacked the strong-point. In spite of the enemy's efforts to halt him by continuous and intense fire, he advanced, throwing grenades and firing his rifle until his companion was wounded. Then, alone, he pressed forward into the open and scored a direct hit on the pillbox with a grenade. Sergeant Dalton's heroic conduct inspired the men of his platoon to charge and successfully assault the enemy strong-point. Home address: Mrs. Lillie Dalton, (mother), Sparda, Arkansas.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade REUBEN J. DREXLER, (W2127749), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 15 July 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Drexler, (mother), 224 Knapp Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Corporal JOSEPH MUSTIAN, (33094278), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 23 April 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ella S. Mustian, (mother), 104 North Grandy Street, Richmond, Virginia.

Private CHARLES A. PARKER, (33699780), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 3 December 1944. While participating in an attack, Private Parker saw a soldier hit and fall in a position exposed to machine gun, grenade, and rifle fire of the enemy. Without thought of self, he dashed to the side of the injured man and, although subject to hostile fire throughout, carried him to a more secure locality and administered first aid. Private Parker's heroic and devoted action undoubtedly saved the life of his wounded comrade.

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Home address: Mrs. Ann Parker, (mother), 815 Lovett Way, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) JOHN W. POTTS, (37101444), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Potts, (mother), Route #4, Carthage, Missouri.

Major CHARLES H. SCHRADER, (0348211), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 15 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Kathleen M. Schrader, (wife), 604 Marinette Avenue, Menominee, Michigan.

Sergeant FINIS P. WOODRUFF, (36112835), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 6 December 1944. When the attack of his platoon against entrenched enemy positions was halted by the intense fire of a pillbox, Sergeant Woodruff, accompanied by another enlisted man, advanced to attack the pillbox with rifle and grenade fire. He moved over terrain made hazardous by the fire of numerous snipers and destroyed the strongpoint with a grenade. Although a burst of fire killed his companion and severely wounded him, he continued to move forward. Inspired by Sergeant Woodruff's heroic behavior, the men of his platoon joined the attack and captured the enemy position. Home address: Mrs. Blanche Glisson, (sister), Dresden, Tennessee.

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I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain William W. Bragg, Jr., by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, General Orders No.62, dated 3 April 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, D, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain WILLIAM W. BRAGG, JR., (0364973), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Illean S. Bragg, (wife), Route #3, Longbottom, Ohio.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, D 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 February 1945. The crew of an M-7 was ordered to destroy an enemy artillery piece and his ground defenses in the hills above Santa Maria. They had fired a few rounds when an enemy anti-tank gun in a concealed position began dropping shells in the immediate area. An enemy artillery piece joined in the assault. Shrapnel ricocheted overhead and all around the M-7. Despite the fact that some thirty-five rounds exploded in the immediate vicinity, the crew not only held its ground but continued the attack. So effective was its fire that the enemy's artillery piece was neutralized and his ground defenses destroyed. The heroic conduct of the men of the crew under most difficult and hazardous conditions set an example for their entire company and reflects great credit on them and on the military service:

Private First Class TONY F. ARMENTARO, (39617578), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary Armentaro, (mother), 416 North K Street, Livingston, Montana.

Corporal HAROLD BARGOWSKI, (36163560), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Martha Bargowski, (mother), 40816 Chase Road, Belleville, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade LESTER M. BELL, (38281866), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Fannie Bell, (mother), 417 West Jefferson Street, Waxahachie, Texas.

Private First Class WILLIAM H. BELL, (39293469), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Venilea Bell, (mother), 343 1/2 West Broadway, Glendale, California.

Sergeant LAWRENCE E. COWPER, (36163543), Infantry United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Oneda Cowper, (mother), Route #1, Minden City, Michigan.

Private First Class EDWARD J GIERATO SKI, (36128337), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Stella Gieratowski, (mother), 2295 Ninth Street, Wyandotte, Michigan.

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Corporal RAYMOND W. NORTUNEN, (35314503), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Maria Nortunen, (mother), 801 High Street, Fairport Harbor, Ohio.

Private First Class SALOMON SCHALBETTER, (32455188), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Eubrosina Schalbetter, (mother), Binn Wallis, Switzerland.

Technical Sergeant LEONARD N. SWENSON, (37017090), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. George L. Swenson, (father), R.R. #2, Concordia, Kansas.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant HARRY L. ADAMS, (02034657), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 24 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lura May Adams, (mother), 601 North 20th Street, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Private First Class GILBERT C. GAXIOLA, (39860846), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Ansagan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 March 1945. Private Gaxiola was lead scout of a fifteen man patrol which attempted to take an enemy-held hill after three previous attempts had failed. He displayed alertness in guiding the patrol and, when the objective was reached, attacked aggressively. He threw a grenade, killing one of the enemy, and was himself slightly wounded by a grenade fragment. He continued to press the attack and killed six Japanese soldiers, including one mortarman and two machine gunners. Private Gaxiola's courageous and aggressive action was largely responsible for the success of his patrol's attack and the attaining of its objective. Home address: Mrs. Bernardina Gaxiola, (mother), Box 2009, Warren, Arizona.

Corporal MACON JENKINS, (34338925), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 28 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Roy Jenkins, (brother), Route #1, Cuba, Alabama.

Corporal STANLEY A. KZLOWSKI, (31005486), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Annie Philips, (mother), Meadow Street, North Amherst, Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade ROLAND J. SLAMA, (36477006), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 28 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bernadine Slama, (mother), Route #2, Peoria, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant RAY D. SULLIVAN, (35251006), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Ansagan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 March 1945. Sergeant

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Sullivan was leading his squad in an advance on enemy positions when a machine gun opened fire and his lead scout dropped, hopelessly entangled in prickly vines and undergrowth. Realizing that the man was lying exposed to the full view of the enemy, he dashed forward and under heavy fire cut the man loose and dragged him to safety. By his heroic action Sergeant Sullivan undoubtedly saved the life of a wounded man. Home address: Mr. David Sullivan, (father), 215 West 9th Street, Bloomington, Indiana.

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private LEO K. BATEMAN, (39214906), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 November 1944. During an attack on strong enemy positions Private Bateman moved forward to aid a wounded man who lay under a heavy screen of machine gun bullets. While attempting to administer first aid he was killed. Private Bateman courageously and selflessly gave his life in order to assist a wounded comrade. Next of kin: Mr. Earnest S. Bateman, (father), 748 North 143rd Street, Seattle, Washington.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain John E. Rhode by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, as published on page 1, General Orders No. 290, dated 7 November 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain JOHN E. RHODE, (0569916), Air Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 30 January 1945 to 1 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen J. Rhode, (mother), 1262 34th Avenue, San Francisco, California.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men

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for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18, 20, and 26 November 1944. On 18 November, when an enemy artillery barrage caused a number of casualties in a battalion perimeter and all the personnel immediately sought cover, these men, with utter disregard for life or limb, voluntarily dashed from their shelters to aid and evacuate the wounded. Again, on 20 November, and for a third time, on 26 November, the enemy swept the same area with artillery fire, causing a number of casualties. At the sound of the first explosion these men immediately rushed out of their shelters to exposed positions, where they performed their missions of mercy. These gallant and courageous acts were responsible for the saving of many lives and were a source of confidence to all who witnessed them:

Technician Third Grade FELIX E. APPLEBY, JR., (36209496), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Felix E. Appleby, Sr., (mother), 5847 North 66th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade LOUIS LAKIN, (35370463), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Louis Lakin, (wife), 1800 West 5th Avenue, Gary, Indiana.

Technician Third Grade GEORGE E. SCHAFFLER, (20651220), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. George E. Schaffer, (wife), 1214 Baxter Avenue, Superior, Wisconsin.

IV. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class EDWARD F. BRUST, (32896458), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 26 and 28 November 1944. During an especially determined attack by the enemy on 26 November a number of men were wounded. Private Brust crawled and crept through the darkness to where the men lay. Finding that he was in need of more medical equipment, he made several trips back and forth through an area that was being constantly raked with automatic weapon and mortar fire. Again on 28 November, while under direct enemy fire, he made three trips to the side of a wounded man. He remained with the man after the third trip, even though the battle was in progress a scant five yards from his position. Private Brust's cool disregard for danger was responsible for the saving of several lives. Home address: Mr. Robert Brust, (father), 103-59 104th Street, Ozone Park, Long Island, New York.

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Private First Class JOHN L. BURNS, (39134168), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 29 November 1944. While advancing with his platoon during an attack, Private Burns was wounded in the foot by shrapnel from an enemy grenade. Realizing that his squad was already depleted, he refused to return to the safety of a rear area. In the ensuing action he fought vigorously, killing several of the enemy, and remained in the forefront until the objective had been taken. Private Burns' cool and courageous conduct under intense hostile fire reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mr. Oscar W. Burns, (father), Route #2, Pomeroy, Washington.

Captain LOUIS G. ELFER, JR., (0396145), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 20 November 1944. Captain Elfer, upon learning that one of his platoons had been pinned down by heavy machine gun and rifle fire, immediately went to the scene of the action, where he found that the platoon leader had been wounded. Taking over command, and working under intense enemy fire, he effected the evacuation of the casualties. He then reorganized the platoon and personally led it in an attack that quickly overran the hostile positions. Captain Elfer's aggressive leadership made possible the completion of the platoon's mission. Home address: Mrs. Effie E. Elfer, (wife), 2109 Alyer Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Second Lieutenant LA VERNE C. GAIER, (01686307), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 1 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Regina Gaier, (mother), R.R. #3, Granton, Wisconsin.

Private CLYDE E. GAMBREL, (35120466), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 1 December 1944. When intense enemy fire forced his platoon to withdraw, Private Gambrel, an automatic rifleman, remained behind to furnish covering fire. Enemy fire was heavy, and three bullets struck his magazine belt during the ensuing action, but he stood fast until every man of the patrol had reached cover, before he joined them. Private Gambrel heroically exposed himself to great danger in order to insure the safe withdrawal of his comrades. Home address: Mrs. Laura Gambrel, (mother), 1010 York Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Captain ROBERT J. GILARDI, (0402484), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 27 November 1944 to 30 November 1944. Home address: Dr. Thomas S. Gilardi, (stepfather), 2975 Bellrose Avenue, Dormont, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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Sergeant ROBERT E. GREER, (35321786), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 23 November 1944. Sergeant Greer and an assistant drove to the front lines to evacuate two seriously wounded men. On the return trip an enemy machine gun opened fire, halting the vehicle and killing the assistant driver. Sergeant Greer immediately moved to assist the wounded to a position of relative safety behind the truck, exposing himself to heavy enemy fire in order to do so. Although he had been wounded himself, he protected the casualties until help arrived. By his heroic action, Sergeant Greer undoubtedly saved the lives of the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Nellie Greer, (mother), 40 Princeton Avenue, Hubbard, Ohio.

Captain CECIL B. KASE, (0888242); Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Ben Kase, (father), 703 East Mineral Street, Platteville, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant ANTHONY J. KASPER, (36359581), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 November 1944. Sergeant Kasper was with his mortar squad when their position was swept by heavy machine gun fire. He had reached the safety of a slit trench, when he saw that one of his men was lying helpless under direct hostile fire. He had been hit in both legs and was unable to move. In spite of intense machine gun fire, he unhesitatingly dashed from his hole and daringly pulled the wounded man to safety. Sergeant Kasper undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Helen Kasper, (mother), 4433 South Honory Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) JOSEPH P. MONIZ, (31180784), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 25 November 1944. A soldier was lying critically wounded under a strong cover of enemy machine gun, grenade, and rifle fire. Technician Moniz, knowing that he was placing his life in jeopardy, crawled out to the wounded man and administered first aid. He remained with the man until the firing had subsided and then evacuated him to the rear. Technician Moniz risked his life in order to aid a wounded comrade. Home address: Mr. Frank B. Moniz, (father), 90 B Detroit Avenue, Warren, Rhode Island.

First Lieutenant LLOYD H. NELSON, (0888200), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Pauline Nelson, (mother), 1809 Ogden Avenue, Piltonville, Ohio.

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Major (then Captain) DONALD P. RADDE, (0348479), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hollandia, Netherlands East Indies, and on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 2 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mildred P. Radde, (wife), 800 Jefferson Avenue, Sparta, Wisconsin.

Captain LLOYD K. SEELY, (0380146), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 29 November 1944 to 22 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Lloyd L. Seely, (father), 288 West Franklin Street, White Hall, Illinois.

Captain RAE M. SMITH, (0888419), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cora E. Smith, (mother), Box 182, Carlton, Minnesota.

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Second Lieutenant HENRY C. ALLEN, (01299733), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 November 1944. During an attack Lieutenant Allen noticed that one of his men lay seriously wounded in an exposed position and crawled to his aid. He brought him to safety although he was himself twice wounded while doing so. In spite of the severity of his wounds, he refused evacuation, reorganized his platoon, and led it in an attack until he collapsed from weakness and loss of blood. Before permitting himself to be carried to a medical installation, he issued orders to his second in command for the continuation of the attack. Lieutenant Allen's courageous tenacity and determined leadership so inspired his men that they successfully assaulted the enemy positions and attained their objective. Next of kin: Mr. Henry F. Allen, (father), 1625 21st Avenue, Oakland, California.

II. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM F. BECVAR, (6255550), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 4 and 5 December 1944. Sergeant Becvar displayed admirable courage and aggressive leadership in a two-day attack on strong enemy positions. He frequently worked his way close enough to the enemy to destroy their positions, despite the fact that they defended themselves desperately with grenades and rifle fire. On one occasion, as he charged a group of enemy positions, he received grenade fragments in his hand, and a bullet went

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through his helmet. Undaunted by his narrow escape, he continued his relentless drive until the entire enemy pocket was exterminated. During the two-day attack he killed at least nine enemy soldiers. Sergeant Becvar's gallant and daring leadership frequently sparked the attacks and instilled great confidence in the men of his squad. Home address: Mrs. Helen L. Becvar, (wife), Route #6, Box 983, Mineral Wells, Texas.

Technical Sergeant MARVIN C. POST, (36207734), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 30 November 1944. Seeing that his four man reconnaissance patrol had been pinned down on the far bank of a river by heavy automatic fire that had already caused two casualties, Sergeant Post moved the balance of his platoon into position and furnished covering fire which enabled the two unwounded men to cross the river with one of the wounded. Then, in the face of heavy enemy fire, he made his way across the river to the other wounded soldier, who was lying helplessly under enemy machine gun and rifle fire. Shouldering the man, he started back across the river. Time after time, enemy fire forced him to submerge, but he courageously persisted until he had completed his mission of mercy. Sergeant Post, by his gallant and daring action, undoubtedly saved the life of his wounded comrade. Home address: Mrs. Ida Post, (mother), Avaca, Wisconsin.

III. AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL:

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, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class THORNTON J. CRAWFORD, (35502496), Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at Talousan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 8 January 1945. Private Crawford went to the aid of three men who were drowning. He secured a hold on one man and swam to shore with him. He then plunged into the river again and rescued a second man. After reaching shore with him, he secured the aid of other soldiers and recovered the body of the third man. Private Crawford risked his life in order to save the lives of two men. Home address: Mr. Edwin T. Crawford, (father), Grayson, Kentucky.

IV. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain George E. Gleason by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 4, section V, General Orders No. 68, dated 6 September 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

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Captain GEORGE E. GLEASON, (0410240), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 26 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Gus E. Gleason, (mother), 300 Luzerne Street, Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

V. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain George J. Hess by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, section III, General Orders No. 70, dated 7 September 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain GEORGE J. HESS, (0888261), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Marion G. Hess, (wife), West Fulton, Edgerton, Wisconsin.

VI. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Major Cloyd W. Pickett by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 6, section VII, General Orders No. 75, dated 14 September 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Major CLOYD W. PICKETT, (0402209), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lois C. Pickett, (wife), 1510 16th Street, Monroe, Wisconsin.

VII. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel Herbert A. Smith by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 5, section IV, General Orders No. 81, dated 24 September 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

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Lieutenant Colonel HERBERT A. SMITH, (0189961), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 29 November 1944. Lieutenant Colonel Smith was ordered to lead his battalion to reinforce a friendly unit which was almost surrounded by the enemy and in grave danger of being wiped out. He led his troops with great speed and skill over extremely difficult terrain which was subject to enemy artillery fire. Although enemy patrols were in the area he traversed, he adroitly avoided all contact and reached the beleaguered force without casualty. By calm and skillful leadership Lieutenant Colonel Smith accomplished a difficult and hazardous mission. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn D. Smith, (wife), 857 Main Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant ORVILLE E. OLIVER, (38479727), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Tolibaw, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 21 December 1944. Sergeant Oliver and another soldier undertook to destroy an enemy machine gun strongly emplaced on a hill with an uninterrupted field of fire on the open terrain below. Carrying a flame thrower, he and his companion crawled through the intense fire of the enemy to within twenty yards of the hostile emplacement. There the flame thrower was discovered to be defective, and Sergeant Oliver alone retraced his path once more to his company command post and secured another flame thrower. Then, once more, although spotted by the enemy, he braved their fire to attain a position suitable for employment of his weapon. He loosed the flame and utterly destroyed the hostile emplacement. Sergeant Oliver displayed outstanding courage in this operation and set an admirable example to his comrades. Next of kin: Mrs. Lucy Oliver, (mother), General Delivery, Talco, Texas.

II. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant) JOHN HERMAN, (36156233), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 6 December 1944. Sergeant Herman volunteered to clear a path for his company up a woody hill being desperately defended by well dug-in pockets of the enemy. With a flame thrower strapped to his back, although he had had no previous experience with the weapon, he began the hazardous ascent. He crawled until he was within five yards of an emplacement; then, springing erect, he directed his fire at the enemy, burning one to death and flushing four others from concealment and into the fatal fire of riflemen. The entire company, inspired by this incident, rallied and charged, immediately gaining a hundred yards and eventually the entire hill. Sergeant Herman's highly courageous act contributed greatly to the capture of an important position. Home Address: Mr. Henry Herman, (father), R.F.D. #1, Sherwood, Michigan.

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Private First Class ROBERT J. JEFFREY, (16109479), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 14 December 1944. When Private Jeffrey perceived two enemy tanks breaking through his section's perimeter and proceeding down a road to his organization's supply dump, he armed himself with a bazooka and immediately gave chase. As he dashed down the road the tanks opened fire with machine guns and cannon. Headless of the danger, he fired and knocked out one of the tanks. A rifleman ran to his side and reloaded the bazooka; then, with great coolness, he aimed and scored a direct and fatal hit on the second tank from a distance of twenty five yards. Private Jeffrey's courage and calmness under heavy enemy fire destroyed two enemy tanks and their crews and saved a valuable ammunition dump from possible destruction. Home Address: Mrs. Vivian M. Jeffrey, (mother), 3138 East Canfield Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

III. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant JAMES L. EHRlich, (36380894), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 9 December 1944. Sergeant Ehrlich was serving as mortar observer when his company's advance was disrupted and brought to a halt by withering fire from numerous strongly entrenched hostile emplacements. The most advantageous position for observation was on the left flank, a point under heavy machine-gun and rifle fire. With complete disregard for his safety he proceeded to this favorable spot and, although without adequate cover, so successfully directed the fire of his mortars that several of the enemy strong-points were demolished. He continued until the very instant he was struck and killed by a sniper's bullet. Sergeant Ehrlich's courageous action rendered great service to his comrades in the winning of their objective. Next of kin: Mrs. Alma Ehrlich, (mother), Esser, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) AUDRIN H. GOODMAN, (37181096), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinaopopan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Elsie Goodman, (wife), Winona, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES F. HARKINS, (20248018), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 6 December 1944. Sergeant Harkins and two other enlisted men left the command post of their battalion to go to the relief of a party of four pinned down by heavy sniper fire in an exposed position a half mile ahead. They proceeded across open terrain exposed to small arms fire to a forward command post, where they were

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told that one of the trapped group was lying wounded at a point seventy-five yards further on. Sergeant Harkins and his companions, joined by another enlisted man, moved into this area, known to be heavily infested with snipers, and, although fired upon most of the distance, reached the side of the fallen man. He, assisted by one other man, and under unceasing enemy fire, administered first aid to the casualty until they themselves were hit. Sergeant Harkins received a fatal wound in his heroic attempt to give aid to a fallen comrade. Next of kin: Mrs. Margaret F. Harkins, (mother), 5851 Isham Avenue, New York, New York.

Sergeant JOHN K. MALLON, (19182844), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 6 December 1944. While participating in an assault on an enemy-held hill, Sergeant Mallon saw a companion lying wounded in an exposed position forty yards away. Although the intervening terrain was under heavy machine gun and small arms fire, he immediately proceeded to the fallen man and carried him to a partially covered position. After administering first aid he began searching for a route over which he could return the man to the rear, when he was hit and fatally wounded. Sergeant Mallon's heroic attempt to aid an injured comrade served as an inspiration to the men of his organization. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary C. Mallon, (mother), 2171 Lime Avenue, Long Beach, California.

Sergeant WILLIAM B. MCCOY, (34127984), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 17 December 1944. Sergeant McCoy and six men of his squad were dug-in on the forward slope of a hill held by the enemy. Under cover of darkness a hostile force attacked with grenades and small arms fire. Learning that one of his men had been wounded and required first aid, Sergeant McCoy crawled from the security of his fox-hole to the position of the injured man. To reach this point he passed across terrain under violent fire and within fifteen yards of the enemy. He reached his wounded comrade and succeeded in extricating him from his exposed location to a position where he could be given medical attention. By his heroic action Sergeant McCoy undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded man. Next of kin: Mrs. Minnie E. McCoy, (mother), Post Office, Burton, South Carolina.

Private First Class WILLIAM G. TALVI, (39608998), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 6 December 1944. The attack of Private Talvi's platoon against enemy strongpoints on a wooded height was halted by the intense machine gun and grenade fire of a pillbox situated on a ridge overlooking the terrain of the action. Private Talvi and another enlisted man moved forward over the difficult ground to assault the pillbox with grenade and rifle fire. He advanced, firing his rifle and throwing grenades, until he fell fatally wounded. Private Talvi's heroic behavior under fire inspired his comrades to press forward and demolish the hostile emplacement. Next of kin: Mrs. Sadie M. Fritz, (sister), Johnson Hotel, Great Falls, Montana.

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Private First Class LEALEAN H. WILSON, (37703577), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Inambak, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 2 December 1944. Private Wilson left the security of his position to give aid to a wounded comrade lying in an exposed position. As he crawled across the open terrain he was observed by the enemy, who directed violent automatic and small arms fire in his direction. He reached the side of the fallen man and was endeavoring to return him to a safe locality when they were struck by a burst of enemy fire which wounded Private Wilson and instantly killed the other man. Then only did he seek cover for himself, and although wounded in three places remained at the scene of the fighting until ordered to the rear. Private Wilson's heroic behavior under fire and devotion to an injured comrade inspired all who witnessed it. Next of kin: Mr. John E. Wilson, (father), Route #2, Box 84, Aruado, Colorado.

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I. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class LAWRENCE A LARMIE, (31293049), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Next of kin: Mr. Albert R. Larmie, (father), 19 Depot Square, Georgiaville, Rhode Island.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) SHERROD LEWIS, (34058572), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Bertha L. Lewis, (mother), Box 940, Lake Alfred, Florida.

Staff Sergeant RUDOLFO G PINEDA, (38073573), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Inambak, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 2 December 1944. During an attack against an enemy-held hill, Sergeant Pineda and three other men dashed across one hundred yards of open terrain swept by intense machine gun and small arms fire and commenced carrying a wounded man to a position of security. Although one of the four carriers was struck and killed, Sergeant Pineda and the remaining two continued their efforts and succeeded in reaching an aid station with the wounded man. By this courageous action under hazardous enemy fire Sergeant Pineda helped save the life of a comrade. Next of kin: Mr. Pedro Pineda, (father), General Delivery, Falfurrias, Texas.

Private First Class EDWARD L SILVA, (31423035), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Inambak, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 2 December 1944. During an attack against an enemy-held hill, Private Silva and three other men dashed across one hundred yards of open terrain swept by intense machine gun and small arms fire and commenced carrying a wounded man to a position of security. While engaged in this task, Private Silva was struck and killed by an enemy bullet. Private Silva's heroic sacrifice of life

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in an attempt to rescue a wounded comrade is in the highest tradition of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Silva, (mother), 238 Charles Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Private James C. Crucian by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, General Orders Number 63, dated 3 April 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Private JAMES C CRUCIAN, (36885378), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinampogan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 29 November 1944. An attack by an infantry company was repulsed, necessitating a short withdrawal, and several casualties were suffered. Private Crucian, observing that seven of our wounded remained lying on the firing line, hastened to them and began administering aid in spite of the machine gun and small arms fire directed upon him by the enemy. He stayed at his task until all of the wounded had been treated. Private Crucian's courageous action undoubtedly saved the lives of several of the casualties. Home address: Mrs. Maria Crucian, (mother), 4655 Russell Street, Detroit, Michigan.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private JACK ALTERMAN, (20613674), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Adella Alterman, (mother), 3145 West 1stn Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class SAM BUONAURO, JR., (36605671), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Inambak, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 2 December 1944. During an attack against an enemy-held hill, Private Buonauro and three other men dashed across one hundred yards of open terrain swept by intense machine gun and small arms fire and commenced carrying a wounded man to a position of security. Although one of the four carriers was struck and killed, Private Buonauro and the remaining two continued their efforts and succeeded in reaching an aid station with the wounded man. By this courageous action under hazardous fire Private Buonauro helped save the life of a comrade. Home address: Mrs. Mary Buonauro, (mother), 919 South Laflin Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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Private First Class RAYMOND D EVERETT, (36190359), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ethel V. Everett, (mother), 209 West Erie Street, Albion, Michigan.

Private First Class LAWRENCE FAUDREE, (33735223), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary B. Faudree, (mother), Route #2, Box 71, Annapolis, Maryland.

Private First Class BATE H GREENE, (34365783), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pearl A. Greene, (mother), Route #1, Only, Tennessee.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) EUGENE W HERRING, (33499435), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Herring, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Biglerville, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class TALMADGE HOLIFIELD, (34872255), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Vallie C. Jefcoat, (mother), Route #1, Summerland, Mississippi.

Sergeant THOMAS F KALAL, (39044415), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary A. Kalal, (mother), Bonne Terre, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) AARON A MC BURNETT, (34579534), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ila W. Mc Burnett, (mother), Route #9, Box 150-8, Atlanta, Georgia.

Staff Sergeant JAMES C MILLER, (36155939), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hazel Sams, (sister), 210 North Main Street, Montgomery, Michigan.

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Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) WILLIAM E NESKA, (37315130), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Inambak, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 2 December 1944. During an attack against an enemy-held hill, Sergeant Neska and three other men dashed across one hundred yards of open terrain swept by intense machine gun and small arms fire, and commenced carrying a wounded man to a position of security. Although one of the four carriers was struck and killed, Sergeant Neska and the remaining two continued their efforts and succeeded in reaching an aid station with the wounded man. By this courageous action under hazardous enemy fire Sergeant Neska helped save the life of a comrade. Home address: Mrs. Otilia Neska, (mother), Route #1, South St. Paul, Minnesota.

Private First Class EARL J NEWBRE, (37562988), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Annie Newbre, (mother), Box 125, Arvilla, North Dakota.

Captain HAROLD J RETALLICK, (401314), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 1 December 1944 to 24 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Lois M. Rettalick, (wife), 516 Chauncy Street, Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

Private First Class LACY M SIMPSON, (34312887), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 3 December 1944. An attempt by Private Simpson's platoon to secure the side of a thickly wooded hill held by the enemy, was frustrated by intense grenading from the well dug-in foe. The thickness of the brush made it difficult to spot the precise locations of the enemy strongpoints, but Private Simpson crawled forward alone to attempt to detect and demolish the hostile positions. Crawling to within twenty yards of the enemy positions, he sprang erect and tossed two grenades which exploded in the dugouts and killed a number of enemy soldiers. Private Simpson's courageous action enabled the men of his platoon to rush forward and crush the remaining resistance. Home address: Mrs. Lizzie K. Simpson, (mother), Dobson, North Carolina.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) CHARLIE E TUTON, (34677940), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mr. William P. Tuton, (brother), Route #1, Kinston, North Carolina.

Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) RALPH H WATSON, (0368171),

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Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 4 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Watson, (wife), 1528 King Street, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Private First Class JOHN H WILLIAMSON, (37210628), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Fred W. Williamson, (father), 1316 South Broadway, Pittsburgh, Kansas.


Private First Class HILLERY A WISE, (14065891), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clyde Wise, (mother), Route #2, Jackson, Georgia.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) LOUIS L ZANINI, (39392806), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 20 November 1944 to 30 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Esterina Zanini, (mother), Route #2, Box 17, Gustine, California.

By command of Major General GILL:

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ORIGINAL ORDER #

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class LEONARD L. APODACA, (39033907), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 6 December 1944. Private Apodaca, accompanied by three other enlisted men, left his battalion command post to locate and administer aid to a wounded man at a point one half mile distant. Much of this distance was across open terrain, and they were fired upon several times by snipers. Having reached a company forward command post, they learned that the wounded man had been evacuated, but that another wounded man was lying in an open position seventy-five yards away. Private Apodaca and his companions were forced to pass through wooded terrain containing large pockets of snipers who subjected them to heavy small arms fire. They succeeded in attaining the side of the injured man. Two of the party proceeded to carry the casualty, but were themselves hit by the continuing violent enemy fire. Private Apodaca and his companion rushed to the three fallen men and carried them to a position of safety. Private Apodaca's courageous conduct was directly instrumental in saving the lives of his two comrades. Home address: Mrs. A.J. Apodaca, (mother), 16 South 2nd Street, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Corporal WILLARD C. BAKER, (37111585), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 6 December 1944. Corporal Baker, accompanied by three other enlisted men, left his battalion command post to locate and administer aid to a wounded man at a point one half mile distant. Much of this distance was across open terrain and they were fired upon several times by snipers. Having reached a company forward command post, they learned that the wounded man had been evacuated, but that another wounded man was lying in an open position seventy-five yards away. Corporal Baker and his companions were forced to pass through wooded terrain containing large pockets of snipers who subjected them to heavy small arms fire. They succeeded in attaining the side of the injured man. Corporal Baker and another man, heedless of the continuing violent fire, were carrying the casualty to a safe position when they themselves were wounded. Corporal Baker displayed great courage in the face of known danger in his attempt to aid an injured comrade. Home address: Mrs. Ethel McMurtrey, (mother), Route #1, Weldon, Iowa.

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Technician Fourth Grade MARTIN J. CLEARY, (36204709), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. An enemy shell exploded in a regimental command post, causing a large number of casualties. Technician Cleary, who was nearby, immediately left his covered position to administer aid to the injured. Throughout the continuing violent barrage he remained in the area, acting as aid man and litter bearer until darkness, when he volunteered his assistance in the hospital tent, at which task he remained throughout the entire night. Technician Cleary's courageous and sustained effort undoubtedly saved the lives of many of the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Cleary, (mother), 851 Bond Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) CLARENCE HALE, (20647933), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. Home address: Mr. Roy Hale, (father), R.R. #1, Lake Mills, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant RAGNAR E. HENDRICKSON, (36229308), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 15 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hilga Hendrickson, (mother), 226 East Michigan Avenue, Ironwood, Michigan.

Private CECIL H. KILBY, (33538235), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 3 December 1944. During an attack upon an enemy-held position, Private Kilby saw a man struck and fall on open terrain controlled by hostile machine gun fire. Accompanied by an officer, he dashed to the injured man's side and assisted in carrying him to a position of safety in spite of the enemy's continued machine gun and small arms fire. Private Kilby's courageous action in the face of fire was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Virginia Kilby, (mother), 202 East Spencer Street, Culpeper, Virginia.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) ELMER W. KILPATRICK, (01686341), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 1, 2, and 5 December, 1944. On 1 December, Lieutenant Kilpatrick exposed himself to enemy fire in order to render assistance to a wounded officer. The following day he labored for several hours, administering first aid to casualties in an area subject to harassing sniper fire, and did not relax his efforts until assured that all casualties had been cared for. On 5 December, the action had proceeded across an open plain swept by enemy machine gun and rifle fire. The attack had moved behind a smoke screen through which the enemy directed

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his fire from a position on heights directly overlooking the plain. A man was seen lying in the open with a stomach wound requiring the immediate administration of plasma. Although the smoke screen had dissipated and he was without cover of any kind, Lieutenant Kilpatrick hastened to the man, pulled him behind the shelter of a fallen tree, and administered the plasma. Lieutenant Kilpatrick's high personal courage and sense of duty undoubtedly saved the lives of many casualties. Home address: Mrs. Cristine S. Kilpatrick, (wife), 1211 Washington, Fort Worth, Texas.

Second Lieutenant PAUL E. TIMM, (02036713), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 3 December 1944. During an attack upon an enemy-held position, Lieutenant Timm saw a man struck and fall on open terrain controlled by hostile machine gun fire. Accompanied by an enlisted man, he dashed to the injured man's side and assisted in carrying him to a position of safety in spite of the enemy's continued machine gun and small arms fire. Lieutenant Timm's courageous action under fire was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude Timm, (mother), Lindsay, Montana.

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ORIGINAL ORDER # 2421

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL..... I
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL..... II

I. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasion point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 25 November 1944. These three men, serving as a maintenance team were sent to repair four medium artillery pieces damaged by enemy shell-fire. While they were engaged at their task, the enemy began a violent artillery barrage on their locality, making working conditions extremely hazardous. In spite of the extreme danger to which they were subjected, the three men continued their labors and did not leave the area until three of the howitzers were back in commission and returning the enemy fire:

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth grade) PHILLIP A. LUND, (37281279), Ordnance Department United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Hanna Lund, (mother), Kindred, North Dakota.

Staff Sergeant GEORGE NESTERICK, (36110962), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Nesterick, (mother), 253 Rockwell, Pontiac, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade WALTER F. WEBBER, (20651997), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Walter Webber, (father), 483 Irvine Street, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944, (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers, warrant officer, and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade RAYLOND J. EGGINK, (20654519), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 23 November 1944 to 5 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Arnold Eggink, (father), 1320 South Pearl Street, New London, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant JOHN FRINAK, (0405920), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 23 November 1944 to 10 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Patricia E. Frinak, (wife), 310 Second Avenue, Stanley, Wisconsin.

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Warrant Officer Junior Grade JULIUS HANZIAN, (W2127747), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasion Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 November 1944. Home address: Mr. Louis Hanzman, (brother), 3065 Brighton 14th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH M. HARKINS, (36104677), Signal Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasion Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. Technician Harkins was serving as a message center runner when the half-track vehicle in which he rode was halted by an enemy road block. The block straddled a strategic road and was defended by two hostile machine guns and approximately fifteen snipers, all firing from positions difficult to approach. Jumping from the vehicle, Technician Harkins joined in the attack against the block and assumed the initiative in an assault. In spite of vigorous counterfire, he succeeded in killing five of the snipers. Technician Harkins displayed great personal courage in this action and rendered considerable assistance in the destruction of the hostile road block. Home address: Mr. Nicholas Harkins, (father), 928 East Grandt, Hazel Park, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) MICHAEL J. LORUSSO, (4200), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 24 November 1944 to 7 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Vincenza Lorusso, (mother), 17 Salem Avenue, Carteret, New Jersey.

Private First Class EMIL S. MAGIER, (20630567), Signal Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasion Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. Private Magier was serving as a message center runner when the half-track vehicle in which he rode was halted by an enemy road block. The block straddled a strategic road and was defended by two hostile machine guns and approximately fifteen snipers, all firing from positions difficult to approach. Dismounting from the vehicle, Private Magier joined in the attack against the block. Braving the vigorous counterfire of the enemy, he assaulted a light machine gun nest and succeeded in killing the entire crew. By his courageous aggressiveness under fire, Private Magier rendered great assistance in the destruction of a formidable enemy position. Home address: Mrs. Julia Magier, (mother), 5633 Martin Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Second Lieutenant CLARENCE QUAMMEN, (01686291), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 4 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy K. Quammen, (wife), 428 Olive Street, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

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Technician Fourth Grade ROY W. RIEHL, (20654552), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 23 November 1944 to 5 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Delia Richl Bunnell, (mother), Route #1, Box 43, Bear Creek, Wisconsin.

Major ARL E. WATSON, (0359415), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 5 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Arlene D. Watson, (wife), 602 Janesville Street, Whitewater, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant R. V. WORDEN, (20630447), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations near Colasion Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Rhea Worden, (mother), P.O. Box 123, Munith, Michigan.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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ORIGINAL ORDER # 3411

AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL... I
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.....II

I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class DONALD R. BROWNLEE, (36509065), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 9 December 1944. Private Brownlee was a member of a patrol sent forth to reconnoiter an enemy road block. A group of the enemy was encountered, and in the exchange of shots that ensued the two leading scouts of the patrol were wounded. Private Brownlee rushed forward, risking the heavy machine gun and rifle fire of the enemy, and by utilizing the cover of felled trees succeeded in reaching and removing to a safer location the two wounded men. By his heroic action Private Brownlee undoubtedly saved the lives of his two comrades. Next of kin: Mr. Robert H. Brownlee, (brother), 81 Peterboro Street, Detroit, Michigan.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private SOLOMON BIRCH, (42037073), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 November 1944. During an attack by his company against a strongly entrenched enemy position, Private Birch saw a man, truck and fall on ground open to the hostile fire. Although he was serving behind the firing line as an ammunition bearer, he ran forward and attempted to rescue the fallen man. As he reached his side both were caught by a withering blast of machine gun fire which instantly killed the injured man and wounded Private Birch. Private Birch's courageous attempt to rescue a wounded comrade while under fire reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address:

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Mrs. Minnie K. Birch, (mother), 871 De Kalb Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Private First Class WILLIAM D. BUSBY, (18061307), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. Private Busby's company was attacking a series of well entrenched enemy positions. When the advance of his platoon was halted by the intense volume of the enemy fire, he crawled forward alone through the underbrush to a point ten yards from the nearest emplacement and opened fire. By thus exposing himself, he drew enough of the hostile fire to himself to enable his platoon to resume its advance. Private Busby was wounded as a result of his courageous action, which assisted measurably in the reduction of formidable enemy positions. Home address: Mrs. Irene Busby, (mother), Many, Louisiana.

Technician Fifth Grade LESLIE G. HERRING, (39396510), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 December 1944. Technician Herring was attached to a platoon attacking against determined enemy resistance. Casualties were sustained, many of whom were lying in localities being swept by the intense machine gun and sniper fire of the enemy. Technician Herring crawled forward under this fire and administered aid to a large number of the casualties, undoubtedly saving the lives of several by his ministrations. Home address: Mrs. Dessie Herring, (wife), Post Office Box 36, Benicia, California.

Captain CARL E. KOPISCHKIE, (0346614), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 24 November 1944 to 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Bernice A. Kopischkie, (wife), Cadott, Wisconsin.

Private First Class JOSE S. NOGUERAS, (32313625), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 November 1944. Private Noguerras advanced with a platoon attacking along open terrain, rendering aid to casualties as he moved forward. While he ministered to the wounded he was constantly exposed to heavy machine gun, grenade, and rifle fire and was himself struck in the left thigh while bandaging an injured man. Ignoring his wound, he continued aiding the casualties for more than two hours, until the action was over and all the wounded had been tended. Private Noguerras showed great courage under fire and undoubtedly saved the lives of several men. Home address: Mrs. Belea C. N. Noguerras, (mother), 115 Doctor Barbarosa Street, Bayamon, Puerto Rico.

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Private First Class FRANK L. OBERENDER, (37678464), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasion Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 November 1944. Private Oberender was a member of a patrol sent to silence a hostile machine gun concealed behind high grass and underbrush. The advance of the patrol was detected, and the enemy opened fire, inflicting casualties. Private Oberender returned the fire with an automatic rifle, successfully covering the withdrawal of his companions; then he continued forward, firing from temporary positions as he advanced, until he reached the side of a wounded comrade. Alternately carrying and dragging the man, and pausing often to answer the machine gun and sniper fire of the enemy, he succeeded in joining the patrol with the casualty. Private Oberender extricated his comrades from a precarious position and saved the life of an injured man at the direct risk of his own. Home address: Mrs. Helen Oberender, (wife), R.F.D. #4, Indianola, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR A. OSTROWSKI, (20638739), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Theresa Ostrowski, (mother), 7100 Arcola Street, Detroit, Michigan.

First Lieutenant RICHARD J. PIECHOWSKI, (0888268), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Liron, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 29 November 1944. Lieutenant Piechowski was ordered to lay a mortar barrage upon hostile emplacements in preparation for an assault by his company. He placed his mortar section, located the target, and ordered fire adjusted from an observation point on an exposed ridge. Observing the spotter to be struck by the enemy's machine gun fire, he ran to the exposed point and made the required adjustments. He remained at his hazardous post, subjected to the enemy's withering fire, until the barrage was lifted and the advance was begun. Lieutenant Piechowski's courageous conduct under heavy fire made possible the winning of a hostile strongpoint. Home address: Mrs. Anna Piechowski, (mother), 1574 South 26th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant DONALD E. RYAN, (01501546), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Clara E. Ryan, (mother), 93 Ninth Street, Troy, New York.

Private First Class WILLIAM R. SQUIRES, (36155442),

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Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. Private Squires' company was occupying positions on a wooded ridge under heavy machine gun, mortar, and rifle fire from nearby enemy forces. An automatic rifleman was wounded and fell in a position under the sweep of the hostile fire. An aid man who attempted to rescue the injured man was himself wounded and forced to withdraw, whereupon Private Squires crawled forward into the dangerous locality and dragged the wounded man to a safe position. Private Squires' rescue of his wounded comrade was performed at great risk to his own life. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Squires, (mother), 2101 North Lafayette, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

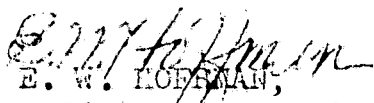
Master Sergeant ROBERT C. THOMAS, (20650916), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands on 23 November 1944. Sergeant Thomas was transporting radio equipment in a motor vehicle, when he was forced to halt twenty-five yards short of an ambulance stalled in the middle of the road, under intermittent machine gun fire from a nearby hill. Although the ambulance driver waved him back, he jumped from his vehicle and ran to assist the driver in removing two litter cases from the stalled vehicle. Sergeant Thomas' prompt and courageous action helped extricate two wounded men from an extremely hazardous situation. Home address: Mrs. Emma K. Thomas, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Beloit, Wisconsin.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) PHILLIP M. WEISEN, (0382037), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 25 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Erna R. Weisen, (wife), 3296 North 12th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR	I
AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL	II
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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

First Lieutenant JOSEPH W. THERRIEN, (01311829), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 February 1945. Lieutenant Therrien was in command of a platoon participating in an attack on enemy forces strongly entrenched on high ground and resisting fiercely with intense machine gun and small arms fire. The volume of the enemy fire had halted the attack, and since the imminent approach of darkness would compel the company to relinquish the ground already won, Lieutenant Therrien determined to attempt a final assault. Exposing himself to the enemy, he moved among his men, communicating his plan and heartening them by his disregard for personal danger. Then, placing himself at the head of the platoon, he led an irresistible charge which swept up the slope of the hill and took the enemy installations by storm. Lieutenant Therrien's gallant leadership was a major factor in the winning of important enemy positions. Home address: Mrs. Ruth H. Therrien, (wife), 37 Brainard Road, Thompsonville, Connecticut.

II. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private HOMER A. NORWOOD, (37745853), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 and 24 February 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Beula M. Norwood, (wife), R.F.D. #1, Cassville, Missouri.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of

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Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade HAROLD C. BRACKEN, (36111725), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 February 1945. A shell exploded near Technician Bracken, jolting him severely and wounding several men. Although suffering from concussion, he remained in the area, subjected to intense machine gun and small arms fire, and ministered to the wounded. He stayed at his task, refusing to be evacuated, for more than an hour, and refused treatment for his own injuries until the action was concluded and all casualties tended. Technician Bracken's act in remaining on the scene of battle when he might have accepted evacuation reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Charlotte Bracken, (mother), 827 Burlington Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida.

Private ANDREW B. CHAVIS, (34313007), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasion Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 27 November 1944. Private Chavis was a member of a patrol sent to clear an important road connecting two battalions from a number of the enemy reported to be in that sector. Operating as lead scout, he led the way along a path winding through thick jungle. Detecting a well concealed enemy ambush, he dropped to the ground in the middle of the trail and opened fire on the enemy. He remained in this highly hazardous location, subjecting the enemy to unceasing fire, until the men behind him were able to give him support. Private Chavis exhibited great courage and initiative in this action. Home address: Mr. Andrew B. Chavis, (father), Route #3, Maxton, North Carolina.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) FRANCIS T. DELANEY, (36111877), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 15 December 1944. Violent cannon and machine gun fire from enemy tanks was causing many casualties in a battalion sector. Sergeant Delaney, carrying a mortar, risked the heavy fire to run forward and set the mortar in a position suitable for operation. Placing a crew on the weapon, he then crawled forward to an advanced position and directed the fire of the mortar so accurately as to force the enemy tanks to withdraw. Sergeant Delaney's courageous leadership undoubtedly saved the personnel of his unit from additional casualties. Home address: Mrs. Julia Delaney, (mother), 3044 Glynn Court, Detroit, Michigan.

Sergeant ALFRED P. HALL, (36855446), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon,

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Philippine Islands, on 20 March 1945. Sergeant Hall was with a forward observer party working with an infantry company when a numerically superior force of the enemy attacked with artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire. Since the volume of the fire made a withdrawal necessary, he alerted the observer party, supervised the gathering and packing of the equipment, and organized the evacuation. To accomplish this, he moved about in the dark, exposed throughout to the hostile fire. Sergeant Hall displayed courage and initiative in a difficult and hazardous situation. Home address: Mrs. Millicent Hall, (wife), 119 Michigan Street, Caro, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade KENNETH H. HOEFERT, (20645517), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 31 January 1945 to 22 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sadie Hoefert, (mother), 1430 West McKinley Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) HAGEN E. METSO, (02037080), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 20 February 1945 to 24 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Senja Metso, (mother), Automba, Minnesota.

Technician Fourth Grade OTIS F. NESLER, (33091934), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 March 1945. Technician Nester was serving as a radio operator with a forward observer party when the enemy attacked the area with a heavy concentration of artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire, forcing a withdrawal by our forces. It was necessary that counter artillery fire be directed upon the enemy to allow time for the moment of evacuation, and Technician Nester and an observer remained at their posts. When the observer received a wound from the intense fire directed at their position, Technician Nester administered first aid and continued the operation of his radio. When he received the order to withdraw, he packed the radio and carried the bulky equipment without aid, thereby retarding the speed of his progress and prolonging his stay in the area under bombardment. Technician Nester acted courageously and with great presence of mind. Home address: Mrs. Nancy Nester, (mother), Monroeville, Indiana.

Private First Class RAOUL D. PEREZ, (39016350), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Lubang, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 March 1945. Private Perez, acting as squad leader, organized a perimeter to defend ground won by his platoon the preceding night. Although suffering from a shrapnel wound, he spared himself no effort to erect an adequate defensive line, and when the enemy attacked with heavy machine gun fire he participated vigorously in the action. Under hostile fire he went to the side

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of a wounded man and carried him to a position of safety. Private Perez demonstrated great fortitude and personal courage in this action. Home address: Mrs. Mariana Perez, (mother), 439 Savoy Street, Los Angeles, California.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) PHARES H. RAYBON, (01314711), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eugenia Raybon, (wife), Thorsby, Alabama.

Staff Sergeant LUTHER J. SCOTT, (34377908), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 February 1945, Sergeant Scott's squad was bogged down at the foot of an enemy-held hill by the volume of machine gun and small arms fire directed upon them by the enemy. Realizing the necessity for quick and positive action, he moved about over terrain which offered no cover, directing and inspiring his men by the example of his courage under fire. Then, rallying the squad, he led an assault up the slope of the hill, driving the enemy from the summit, and capturing the position. Sergeant Scott's heroic behavior under fire served as an inspiration to his men and contributed to the winning of a hostile strongpoint. Home address: Mr. John R. Scott, (father), Route #2, Philadelphia, Tennessee.

Technical Sergeant LEROY P. SKROCH, (37312715), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 20 November 1944. Sergeant Skroch organized and participated in the evacuation of ten litter patients onto boats waiting at a nearby beach. The strip of beach being utilized was under heavy machine gun and sniper fire, and it was necessary to carry the patients one hundred yards without protection. Sergeant Skroch's capable organization and courage under fire made possible the successful evacuation of ten casualties from a zone of great danger. Home address: Mrs. Matilda Skroch, (mother), 124 Fourth Avenue S.W., Jamestown, North Dakota.

Private First Class ANDREW STELLMAN, (33325120), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 31 January 1945 to 22 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Kellenberg, (aunt), 431 Purdy Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General GILL:

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I. RESCISSION OF AWARD:

So much of General Orders No. 59, Headquarters 32d Infantry Division, dated 1 April 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Technical Sergeant JAMES E. MC KEE, 33317355, Infantry, is rescinded.

II. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Technical Sergeant JAMES E. MC KEE, (33317355), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 December 1944. When his platoon leader was killed, Sergeant McKee took command, and with a six man patrol advanced on enemy positions, in the face of heavy grenade and rifle fire. Well in the lead of his men, he killed one enemy soldier with grenades; then, standing in full view of the enemy, he killed and wounded several others with rifle fire. Sgt McKee's courageous action so inspired his men that they closed in and routed the remaining enemy. Next of kin: Mrs. Ella McKee, (mother), 1600 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) LOUIS C. BONAPARTE, (33300335), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 March 1945. Sergeant Bonaparte, acting as a mortar observer, was advancing with his company against a height overlooking a strategic road. The enemy had occupied the summit of the height, and by the volume of their heavy machine gun and sniper fire succeeded in pinning down

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the attacking force. Sergeant Bonaparte seized a reel of wire and dashed over the exposed terrain, laying wire as he went, until he reached a favorable observation point several hundred yards in advance of his own men, and flanking the enemy position. From this position, although he was without cover and was drawing the fire of the enemy, he directed mortar fire with excellent results. Sergeant Bonaparte's courage and initiative displayed under fire inspired the men of his company to attack aggressively and drive the enemy from his position. Home address: Mrs. Phyllis Bonaparte, (mother), 661 3rd Avenue, Freedom, Pennsylvania.

Captain EDWIN G. MORAN, (01102392), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 28 February 1945 to 17 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Katherine H. Moran, (mother), R.F.D. #2, Groton, New York.

Technical Sergeant CHARLES N. STURGEON, (35484210), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 March 1945. During an attack by the enemy, Sergeant Sturgeon observed two seriously wounded men lying exposed to the intense fire. The two men were at a point fifteen yards in front of the perimeter, and the intervening terrain was being swept by hostile machine gun and small arms fire. In spite of the great danger, Sergeant Sturgeon crawled forward into the withering fire and reached the men despite having been struck in the right shoulder and cheek as he advanced. Disregarding his own wounds, he assisted the two men to a point twenty-five yards in the rear, where they could receive treatment. Sergeant Sturgeon's heroic rescue of the two injured men served as an inspiration to the men of his unit. Home address: Mr. Novy I. Sturgeon, (brother), Route #1, Taswell, Indiana.

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- AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER I
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- AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER III
- AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER IV
- AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL V

I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel Powell A. Fraser by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, General Orders No. 24, dated 7 February 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel POWELL A. FRASER, (0410265), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 24 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Fraser, (mother), 725 Norwich Street, Brunswick, Georgia.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to First Lieutenant Joseph A. Kessler by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, section III, General Orders No. 73, dated 11 September 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant JOSEPH A. KESSLER, (01303740), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Naomi A. Kessler, (wife), 932 Hanson Street, Millvale, Pennsylvania.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to First Lieutenant Fred R. McComb by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1,

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General Orders No. 29, dated 14 February 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant FRED R. MC COMB, (0335783), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna H. McComb, (wife), 6049 Forest Lane, Indianapolis, Indiana.

IV. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain Daniel J. Murphy by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, section III, General Orders No. 14, dated 16 January 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain DANIEL J. MURPHY, (0450677), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth E. Murphy, (wife), Tower, Minnesota, c/o Hoyt, Minnesota.

V. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General; 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant) ROBERT C. ADKINS, JR., (02007749), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Lonoy, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 December 1944. Lieutenant Adkins was in command of a platoon assigned the mission of protecting a number of tanks spearheading an attack by our forces. Throughout the entire action, he was with the most forward elements, completely disregarding his personal safety in order to exhort and lead his men in their assaults upon the enemy, who were resisting strongly with heavy grenade and automatic weapons fire. Owing in large measure to Lieutenant Adkins' aggressive leadership and example of fearlessness under fire, the assault was highly successful, heavy losses being inflicted upon the enemy and our tanks emerging undamaged. Home address: Mrs. Sallie S. Adkins, (mother), 1117 Lucile Avenue, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia.