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First Lieutenant <u>RICHARD J. ADLER</u>, (0305900), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 14 November 1944 to 2 January 1945, and on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Caryl Adler, (wife), 1609 Jarvis, Chicago, Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade <u>FRANCIS A. BALDWIN</u>, (17087643), 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 31 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. L. Dale Baldwin, (mother), Hasty, Colorado.

Major LELAND D. BROWN, (0291171), 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 Merch 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen A. Brown, (wife), 409 Market Street, Spencer, West Virginia.

Sergeant WILLIAM A. DOLAN, (20116129), 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. Mary J. Cochrane, (grandmother), 165 Governors Avenue, Medford, Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant JOHN G. FREY, (20655562), Infantry, 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 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Berenice Frey, (wife), 34 Salstone Street, Kangaroo Point, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.

Sergeant ROBERT F. HICKEY, (12082014), 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. Mary E. Hickey, (mother), 904 Monroe Street, Indicott, New York.

Sergeant MICHAEL C. KINCSLEY. JR., (38193338), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1905 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edith R. Kingsley, (wife), 1516 3rd Avenue, Port Arthur, Texas.

Corporal EARL G. NIESEN, (20651788), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 27 November 1944. Corporal Niesen was serving as a member of a liaison party attached to an infantry battalion. The battalion was advancing along a ridge when they were engaged by a large number of the enemy. Our forces, withdrawing a short distance

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to set up a perimeter, were forced to leave several wounded behind. Aid men were promptly sent to rescue the injured, and Corporal Niesen, aware of the shortage of aid men, ran to their assistance. He returned many times, on each occasion carrying a wounded man, and in all cases was forced to run the gauntlet of the intense hostile mortar, automatic weapons, and small arms fire. Corporal Niesen's heroic action undoubtedly saved the lives of several men. Home address: Mrs. Martha Niesen, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Mormon Coulee, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade JAMES RUXTON, (31029427), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement inconnection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Ruxton, (mether), 25 Brechin Terrace, Andover, Massachusetts.

Technician Fourth Grade CHARLES D. SIMPSON, (31143819), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 22 February 1945 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hazel Simpson, (wife), East Ridge Road, Middletown, Connecticut.

Technical Sergeant RALPH J. VANDEN HEUVEL, (20656103), Infantry, 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 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marian Vanden Heuvel, (wife), 3822 North 27th Street; Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant CLARENCE H. WADE, (20637939), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in Now Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 November 1943 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Joseph Wade, (mother), 701 Court Street, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. RESC, B7 GOF 2 -- 4 AN 40

Captain CORNELIUS WILEY, (0450338), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with nilitary operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Katherine B. Wiley, (wife), 2841 Sacramento Street, San Francisco, California.

Captain HERBERT C. WOODSON, (0292667), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luson, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth C. Woodson, (wife), 230 East Davis Street, Decatur, Georgia.

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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 JAMES O. ANDES, (0224859), Chemical Warfare Service, 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 1 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Esther C. Andes, (wife), 35 Barclay Street, Knoxville, Tennessee.

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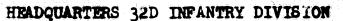
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I. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

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 enlisted man:

Private First Class ARTHUR L. GOLLIFER, (34493969), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 15 December 1944. Private Golliher was with one of the leading squads spearheading an attack upon a force of the enemy well-entrenched on the summit of a steep hill. The intense machine gun fire of the enemy halted the alvance and pinned down the squad on dangerously exposed terrain. Private Golliher, aware of the great threat to his companions, pressed forward alone, crawling into the face of the formidable fire to a favorable point from which he opened up with his weapon on the parest hostile machine gun, killing the gunner and driving off the assistant gunner. This highly courageous action attracted the counter fire of others of the enemy, and Private Golliher received a fatal wound. Private Golliher's gallant sacrifice of his life in order to protect his comrades is in the highest tradition of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Nancy A. Golliher, (mother), R.R. #2, Rockwood, Tennessee.

Private WILLIS R. JOHNSON, (39178479), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Londy, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 21 December 1944. The platoon of which Private Johnson was a member was attacked by a greatly superior force of the enemy. The hostile automatic weapons and grenade fire was inflicting casualties, and it was imperative that the platoon withdraw at once. Private Johnson and two other enlisted men undertook to cover the movement of their companions. They remained behind and by the accuracy of their fire held off the enemy for the space of one hour. Private Johnson accounted for at least four of the enemy, but himself received a fatal wound. Private Johnson's courageous behavior made possible the safe withdrawal of his platoon. Next of kin: Mrs. Sad'e Johnson, (mother), 312 West "B" Street, Yakima, Washington.

Staff Sergeant ROY O. SUMRALL, (14061380), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Lonoy. Levte, Philippine Islands, on 21 December 1944. The platoon of which Sergeant Sumrall was a member was attacked by a greatly superior force of the enemy.

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The hostile automatic weapons and grenade fire was inflicting casualties, and it was imperative that the platoon withdraw at once. Sergeant Sumrall and two other enlisted men undertook to cover the movement of their companions. They remained behind and by the accuracy of their fire held off the enemy for the space of an hour. Although wounded in the arm and shoulder, Sergeant Sumrall did not fall back until he learned that his platoon had attained a position of safety. Despite his severe injuries, he participated in another engagement and received a fatal wound. Sergeant Sumrall's courageous behavior made possible the safe withdrawal of his platoon. Next of kin: Mrs. Sallie Sumrall, (mother), Route #1, Lena, Mississippi.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Lieutenant Colonel Charles R. Meyer by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section III, General Orders No. 47, dated 21 March 1945, 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 CHARLES R. MEYER, (020762), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 March 1945. The advance of Lieutenant Colonel Neyer's battalion along a strategic trail was held up by intense fire from formidable enemy positions on a hill directly overlooking the trail. Previous attacks, assisted by an air strike and an artillery barrage, had failed to neutralize the hostile emplacements. Lieutenant Colonel Meyer selected a total of four platoons and personally supervised the preparation for another assault. In the face of intense mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire, he advanced with the forward elements, inspiring and heartening his men by his example of coolness and determination. Under his leadership our forces drove the desperately resisting enemy from his strong positions, and the trail below was made free for the movement of the battalion. Lieutenant Colonel Meyer's courageous and vigorous leadership contributed greatly to the success of this operation. Home address: Colonel C.B. Meyer, (father), Fort Screven, Georgia.

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:

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) MARVIN E. HUSH, (33548363), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 and 2 March 1945.

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Sergeant Hush was in command of a squad ordered to attack and occupy an enemy position on high ground. All the men of the squad, including Sergeant Hush, were replacements, inexperienced in battle, and when their advance was met by exceptionally heavy mortar, grenade, and small arms fire, they wavered, and started to fall back. Aware of the importance of the objective, Sergeant Hush exposed himself to the enemy's fire by moving among his men, exhorting them to continue the attack. The men were heartened and encouraged by Sergeant Hush's calmness and fearlessness. The line reformed, he led the squad in an assault that successfully drove the enemy from his positions. Sergeant Hush's personal courage and capable leadership made possible the winning of an important objective. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Hush, (mother), Sykesville, Maryland.

Private First Class EDWARD KEMTES, (36693434), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Lonoy, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 21 December 1944. The platoon of which Private Kemtes was a member was attacked by a greatly superior force of the enemy. The hostile automatic weapons and grenade fire was inflicting casualties, and it was imperative that the platoon withdraw at once. Private Kemtes and two other enlisted men undertook to cover the movement of their companions. They remained behind and by the accuracy of their fire held off the enemy for the space of an hour, allowing the platoon to withdraw to a more secure position. Private Kemtes remained at the hazardous point, firing his weapon, until he was disabled by a serious wound. Private Kemtes' courageous behavior made possible the successful withdrawal of his platoon. Home address: Mrs. Veronica C. Kemtes, (mother), 1514 South 49th Street, Cicero, Illinois.

Sergeant CHARLES B. MENTA, (32848173), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 February 1945. Sergeant Menta's squad was participating in an attack on an enemy-held hill, the exposed slopes of which offered the attackers little protection from the heavy machine gun and sniper fire directed at them. The advance was slowed by the volume of the hostile fire, and Sergeant Menta, armed with grenades, went forward aline. Under fire all the way, he advanced until within effective renge of the foremest machine gun, at which point he threw grenades until the enemy soldiers manning the weapon were killed. He then led his squad up the remainder of the ascent, fighting courageously until he was wounded. Sergeant Menta's gallant action eliminated a source of great danger to his companions, and contributed to the winning of an important objective. Home address: Mrs. Ann Menta, (mother), RFD #1, Binghamton, New York.

Private First Class EIMMR F. MOLL, (39051743), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 March 1945. Private Moll was advancing with his platoon against strongly entreached enemy positions situated on a height, when the platoon was halted by the fire of snipers from a hill near the flank. While his companions

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waited, Private Moll crawled across terrain exposed to intense machine gun and small arms fire to a point within fifteen yards of the enemy riflemen. Then, firing with deadly accuracy, he picked them off one by one. He then directed fire on a hostile machine gun emplacement and signalled to the other men of the platoon to join him in the attack. Private Moll's gallant action eliminated a serious threat to his platoon. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Moll, (mother), Arcata, California.

First Lieutenant ROBERT F. PETERSON, (01298121), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 February 1945 to 7 March 1945. Lieutenant Peterson was in command of a patrol assigned the hazardous mission of operating behind hostile lines, harassing the enemy, and disrupting his supply and communication facilities wherever possible. Lieutenant Peterson led 26 missions against the enemy with splendid results. On one occasion he led a patrol in an attack on a village held by a numerically superior enemy. Exposing himself to heavy machine gun and rifle fire, he set an example of fearlessness and determination, encouraging his men to launch an assault which killed many of the enemy and dispersed the remainder. By his gallant and capable leadership, Lieutenant Peterson rendered great service in a large number of missions against the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Audrey A. Peterson, (wife), 8811 237th Street, Bellerose, Long Island, New York.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) OPAL W. REDDITT, (37101333), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 15 December 1944. Moving forward in an attack against a body of the enemy, Sergeant Redditt observed that his squad leader was badly wounded, and that the remainder of the squad was becoming disorganized because of lack of leadership. Entirely on his own initiative, he assumed command, moving among the men, encouraging them by his fearlessness under the hostile fire, and assigning them to positions in the line. When he received a serious stomach wound, he continued issuing his orders from where he lay. So excellent was his guidance that the men of the squad were enabled to direct heavy fire on the enemy and drive him from his positions. By his capable leadership and courage under fire, Sergeant Redditt prevented what might have been a disastrous situation. Home address: Miss Edna Redditt, (sister), Roe, Arkansas.

Private First Class ROBERT L. ROBERTSON, (37559091), Infantry. United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 February 1945. In an attack on an enemy pillbox, Private Robertson saw a may fall wounded in front of the aperture of the pillbox. He crawled over terrain partially concealed by grass, under fire the entire distance, to where the wounded man lay. He was dragging the soldier back with him when a grenade explosion killed the injured man. Making his way to his original position, Private Robertson obtained an automatic

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rifle and advanced again on the pillbox, returning the enemy's fire and making it possible for his companions to recover the body of the slain man. Private Robertson made an heroic attempt to rescue a wounded comrade, and inspired his companions to press forward and destroy the hostile fortification. Home address: Mrs. Emma Oakes, (mother), 297 East Morton Street, Saint Paul, Minnesota.

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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 fellowing named onlisted man:

Sergeant L. C. JONES. JR., (34348835), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 15 Dec moder 1944. Sergeant Jones was in command of a squad engaged in activating an enemy force which was entrenched on high ground and vagorously defending itself with heavy machine gun and small arms films. In order to advantageously assault the hostile position, in was necessary for the squad to deploy to a ridge approximately forty yards below the enemy. Since the nature of the terrain was such that it was difficult for him to be observed by all his men, Sergeant Jones stood erect, exposing himself to the withering fire, and directed the movement of the squad. Just as he had succeeded in maneuvering his men to the desired locality, he was struck and killed by enemy fire. The men, inspired by Sergeant Jones' heroic behavior, swept forward and destroyed the enemy positions. Next of kin: Mrs. James A. Jones, (mother), Route #4, Eupora, Mississippi.

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 <u>BILLIE L. BREASHEARS</u>, (39139731), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Inambak, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 6 December 1944. Private Breashears was second scout of a patrol marching to contact another unit near a village, when a concealed party of the enemy opened fire and severely wounded the lead scout. Private Breashears, observing the man's fall, crawled over terrain swept by heavy fire to the wounded man's side, and assisted him to a declivity where he administered first aid. Then once more he exposed himself to the enemy's fire in order

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to spy out a safe withdrawal route for the remainder of the patrol. Private Breashears courageously risked his life to save a wounded man and to extricate his companions from a dangerous situation. Home address: Mrs. Emma Breashears, (mother), 68 Maitland Drive, Alameda, Califormia.

Technical Sergeant NATALE G. COPPO, (36229322), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 31 January 1945 to 18 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Giuseina Coppo, (mother), Box 115, Nohawk, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) ORVAL E. FIELDS, (35773178), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 9, 11, and 20 Docember 1944. Technician Fields performed three acts of heroism in the course of his duties as a medical aid man. On one occasion, when shells from an enemy artillery barrage exploded in a command post area, he rendered assistance to three injured men where they fell, although shells continued to drop. On another occasion he entered an area under artillery fire to administer aid to a wounded man. When five men were wounded by machine gun fire, and were lying in an exposed position, Technician Fields risked the continuing fire of the weapon and assisted three of their number to positions of safety. Technician Fields displayed great courage in the performance of these actions. Home address: Mr. William B. Fields, (father), Route #1, Box 152, Ashland, Kentucky.

Technical Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) RAYMOND C. HLAVACEK, (36112225), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 5 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances Hlavacek, (mother), Route #4, Midland, Michigan.

Sergeant JOHN C. HOOD, (13103174), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 March 1945. Sergeant Hood's squad was dug in on the slope of a hill whose summit was occupied by a hostile force. Under cover of darkness, the enemy launched a determined attack, supported by intense mortar, grenade, and small arms fire. The attack was so violent as to momentarily disorganize the defense, and Sergeant Hood, realizing that he must act promptly to save the situation, exposed himself to the enemy fire in order to exhort and encourage his men. Displaying great courage and capability, he rallied the squad, and in the ensuing action drove back the hostile force. Home address: Mr. John C. Hood, (father), RFD #2, Strasburg, Virginia.

Private WAYNE C. JOHNSON, (39129309), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippipine Islands, on 22 February 1945. In the course of an attack

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against an enemy-held position, a man was wounded and fell on terrain exposed to heavy machine gun and small arms fire. Observing that the man was injured, Private Johnson covered a distance of fifty yards at great hazard to himself and removed the man to a somi-covered point, where he administered first aid. He then crawled a considerable distance to the rear command post and returned with litter bearers who evacuated the casualty. Private Johnson undoubtedly saved the life of a wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Claire Johnson, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Vinton, Iowa.

Technical Sergeant <u>ROBERT M. LOVELL</u>, (20639466), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 Nevember 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Halla Lovell, (mether), Leonard, Michigan.

Lieutenant Colonel LUSTER A. VICKREY, (017592), Field Artillery, Unites States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 9 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Luster A. Vickrey, (Dife), 102 Wost Maple Road, Linthicum Heights, Maryland.

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By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, '0, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel CLADIE A. BAILEY, (0296675), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 28 November 1944. During an attack upon enemy positions on a height overlooking a strategic road, Lieutenant Colonel Bailey observed that the advance of his leading assault company was halted by the enemy's mortar and machine gun fire. Although the hostile fire made the intervening terrain extremely hazardous, he proceeded to the company's position and consulted with the leader of the plateon receiving the brunt of the fire. At this point the reinforced enemy counterattacked, threatening to isolate and surround the plateon. Showing great presence of mind, Lieutenant Colonel Bailey personally directed the plateon's withdrawal to a more secure point, and then organized and led an assault which drove the enemy back to the height. During the arduous fighting that followed, he remained with the forward elements, counseling with officers and issuing all necessary orders until the enemy had been driven from his emplacements. Leme address:

Mrs. Katherine Bailey, (wife), 807 North "I" Street, Bedford Indiana.

Private First Class MIGUEL CONTRERAS, (38120276), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Layte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. Under the protection of darkness a number of the onemy infiltrated into the perimeter of Private Contreras' company. Among the attackers Was a machine gun crew whose fire immediately inflicted heavy casualties. Realizing that further easualties would ensue if the gum were not silenced, Private Contreras left his dug-in position and began crawling in the direction of the hostile weapon. Having reached an effective range, he threw granades until the entire crew of the machine gun had been killed. Thile returning to his fox hole, he came across the prostrate form of a wounded comrade. Although he was aware that there were more of the enemy lying concealed in the perimeter, he willingly handicapped his advance by dragging the injured man to where he could be given medical aid. Private Contreras' action in destroying the enong machine gun at great risk to himself undoubtedly saved the lives of the men exposed to the weapon's fire: Home address: Mrs. Cleopas Contraras, (mether) Socoro, New Mexico.

First Licutement CHARLES B. COONEY, (02037203), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 February 1945. Shortly after friendly troops had occupied a strategically important position, the enemy subjected the area to an intense artillery barrage. In order to locate and silence the hostile gune, Lieutement Cooney led a party to a height overlooking the enemy and began adjusting friendly artillery fire by radio directions. The observation party was detected by the enemy, who immediately trained one of their heavy pieces on the height, Filling one of the men and wounding Lieutenant Cooney, who, after dropping back

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a short distance to receive emergency treatment, returned to the observation point. In spite of his severe wound, and oblivious of the continuing violent hostile fire, he so effectively directed the fire of his artillary as to knock out the enemy guns in rapid succession, thereby ending a prious threat to our croops. Home address: Mr. Villis E. Cooney, (father), 103 Brooks Street, Warren, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class (then Private) JOEN C. COSGROVE, (32917551), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Layto, Philippine Islands, on 22 Kozember 1944. Private Cosgrove was a member of a patrol sent to reconnoiter a hill which, it was suspected, was occupied by a of the enemy. Their presence was detected by the enemy, who immediately launched an attack which was not by a bayonet charge ordered by the lender of the patrol. Private Cosgrove rushed forward with his companions, firing his automatic rifle as he advanced. Spotting five of the enemy moving up with a machine gun, he killed or wounded the entire group. Then, perceiving he had adtanced too for and was now surrounded, he dropped to the ground, and by simulating death was able to effect his escape. Thile trying to establish contest with friendly troops, he came upon a wire line of the enemy and delayed long enough to destroy a considerable portion of it. The exceptions I courage displayed by Private Cosgrove reflects great credit on him and on the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mr. John P. Cosgrove, (father), P.O. Box 208, Locust, New Jersey.

Private Pirst Class RUBEN M. LECHUGA, (39570210), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near San Felipe, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 March 1945. Private Lechuga and a number of men were sent to invastigate a civilian report that a group of the enemy was bivougeed in a nearby village. As the patrol approached, it was met by heavy small arms and grenaue fire from a cluster of huts. As the rest of the party deployed to meet the attack, Private Lochuga led two men in a flank assault upon the huts which killed some of the enemy and drove others out of concealment and into a lane of fatal fire. Having returned to the main body of the patrol, he perceived one of the enemy charging upon an officer whose weapon had jammed. Since his own gun would of operate. Private Lechuga rushed into the path of the armed enemy and knocked him senseless with a blow from the butt of his submachine gun. He then led the final assault upon the huts and personally accounted for another four of the enemy. Private Lechuga displayed great courage and initiative in this engagement, and saved an officer from almost certain death. Home address: Mrs. Adole Lujan, (grandmother), 415 Adams Street, Santa Ana, Galifornia.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) DAVID S. MACKAY. (32371551), Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Silud Bay, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 31 December 1944. Sergeant Mackay was guarding the bispuac perimeter of his patrol when a greatly superior force of the enemy staged a night attack. A burst from a hostile machine gun killed two men at both escurity of the perimeter. He advanced, braving the heavy automatic and small arms fire directed at him, and, by employing his submachine gun, silenced the hostile weapon. Alone, he then returned to guard the flank of a friendly machine gun. Sergeant Mackay's prompt and courageous action enabled his companions to successfully repel the enemy assault. Home address: Mrs. Edna Mackay's (mother), 706 Union Street, Schenectady, New York.

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I. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

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

Private REX G. FILLEY, (20634053), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands on 28 November 1944. Private Filley's company was attacked by a large number of the enemy who, firing machine guns from high ground difficult to approach, inflicted a number of casualties. Private Filley and another enlisted man led a Tlanking attack against the enemy positions, and by the accuracy of their fire, Rilled several of the crew of a machine gun. Private Filley maintained continuous fire, considerably hampering the enemy's operations, until he was struck and killed. By his gallant action, Private Filley prevented his unit from sustaining further casualties. Next of kin: Mr. Don Filley, (father), 97 Park Avenue, Coldwater, Michigan.

Private RITNER P. TOMLINSON, (33480244), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 28 November 1944. Private Tomlinson's company was attacked by a large number of the enemy who, firing machine guns from ground difficult to approach, inflicted a number of casualties. Private Tomlinson and another enlisted man led a flanking attack against the enemy positions, and by the accuracy of their fire, killed several of the crew of a machine gun. Private Tomlinson maintained continuous fire, considerably hampering the enemy's operations, until he was struck and killed. By his gallant action, Private Tomlinson prevented his unit from sustaining further casualties. Next of kin: Mrs. Caroline Tomlinson, (mother), Meeting House Road, 2nd Street, Huntingdon Valley, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) YEMAEL R.VILLEGAS, (39593115), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 March 1945. Sergeant Villegas was serving as lead scout for a patrol when he observed an enemy heavy machine gun emplaced on high ground affording a clear field of fire on the terrain below. Signaling for the patrol to halt, he proceeded alone over the hazardously exposed ground toward the hostile weapon 200 yards away. The enemy opened fire

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with the machine gun and with small arms in an attempt to stop his advance. Having reached a near enough point, he threw grenades until the weapon was destroyed and the crew killed. Sergeant Villegas' highly courageous act enabled his platoon to advance and complete its mission. Next of kin: Mrs. Inez R. Villegas, (mother), 3105 Madison Street, Casa Blanca, California.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Captain James W. De Loach by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, section I, General Orders No. 69, dated 6 September 1944, 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 (then First Lieutenant) JAMES W. DE LOACH, (01286255), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 December 1944. On an exceptionally dark night, Captain De Loach was awakened by outcries emanating from a point within the command post perimeter. Having ascertained that an unknown number of the enemy had infiltrated into the area, he moved forward and organized a defensive line across the trail leading through the bivouac area, giving strict orders that no one was to fire unless he was attacked. This precaution caused the death of four of the enemy who attempted to pierce the line. Captain De Loach permitted the main body of the enemy to infiltrate through and beyond the perimeter, and then he set up adequate defensive measures. Captain De Loach, by his great presence of mind and personal courage in exposing his position to the enemy by issuing vocal commands, saved a dangerous situation and prevented the men of his command from inflicting casualties upon each other by indiscriminate firing. Home address: Mrs. Winifred R. De Loach, (mother), Varnville, South Carolina.

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 man:

Sergeant (then Private First Class) HAROLD B. KEATING, (20742452), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 March 1945. Private Keating was serving as a guard while the men of his platoon were digging foxholes on the summit of a hill. Detecting a suspicious movement in the underbrush on the slope of the hill, he roconnoitered and discovered nine of the enemy, armed with rifles and demolition charges, ascending toward the crest of the height. He promptly charged the enemy and succeeded in killing the entire force with fire from his automatic rifle. Later, when a second body of the enemy attempted to attack the position, he personally

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accounted for 15 of their number. Home address: Mr. Harry N. Keating, (father), Bayou Street, Batesville, Arkansas.

Captain EARL M. WALTERS, (0343337), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 29 and 30 November 1944. During the course of an attack on strong hostile emplacements, Captain Walters' company lost contact with supporting companies. Leaving his executive officer in charge, Captain Walters moved forward to re-establish contact with friendly troops, passing over ground being subjected by the enemy to intense machine gun and small arms fire. Having reached a friendly unit, he sent runners back to guide his company. When they had joined him, he led them in a charge against the enemy, and continued to lead them after having been wounded by grenade fragments. He remained in command of his company until the following day, when he was evacuated, over his objections, for treatment for his injuries. Captain Walters! courageous leadership and fortitude served as an inspiration to his men. Home address: Mrs. R.C. Richards, (mother), 1510 West Babcock Street, Bozeman, Montana.

IV. 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 Coldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) DONALD F.LITTLE, (36460454), Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at Aitape Harbor, New Guinea, on 4 October 1944. Four Australian soldiers were trapped on a flat-top barge which had broken losse from its moorings and was being pounded by heavy waves. There was imminent danger that the barge would be swept out to the open sea by the strong current. The four men attempted to swim to the shore, but, unable to make headway in the turbulent water, returned to the barge. Observing this from the beach, Sergeant Little swam out to the vessel, a distance in excess of fifty yards, and returned with one of the men. Sergeant Little returned three more times, laboring for two and a half hours at his difficult task, until all four of the men were safe on shore. Sergeant Little's heroic feat, achieved at great hazard to himself, undoubtedly saved the lives of the four Australian soldiers. Home address: Mrs. Pearl E. Little, (mother), Route #4, Muskegon, Michigan.

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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 Arthur Hirschy by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 5, section VI, 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:

Captain ARTHUR HIPSCHY, (0448379), Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 February 1945. During an enemy artillery barrage, Captain Hirschy went to the aid of an officer seriously wounded by shell fragments. For a period of 30 minutes he administered plasma and other medical aid to the injured man although several other shells landed in the vicinity. He did not seek cover until the wounded officer had been evacuated to the rear. Captain Hirschy heroically risked his life giving aid to a wounded man. Home address: Mrs. Bonita C. Hirschy, (wife), R.F.D. #1, Monmouth, Illinois.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Sergeant Herman H. Toussaint by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 4, 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 Or 7 No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Sergeant HERMAN H. TOUSSAINT, (36163143), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 2 March 1945 to 25 March 1945. Home address: Anna Brown, (aunt), 328 North Center Street, Northville, Michigan.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze

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Star Medal awarded to First Lieutenant William D. Zahniser by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 4, section IV, General Orders No. 10, dated 13 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:

First Lieutenant <u>WILLIAM D. ZAHNISER</u>, (01311462), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in coancetion with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 February 1945 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mrs.Margaret D. Zahniser, (mother), Edinboro, Pennsylvania.

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 enlist d men for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Ansagan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 March 1945. These four men volunteered to ascend with their tank to the height of a ridge and destroy enemy emplacements whose fire was holding up the advance of friendly troops below. The strongly entrenched foe was resisting with artillery, mortar, and automatic weapons fire, and had successfully repulsed previous efforts to dislodge him. Although there was no trail to the top, and a single miscalculation would have hurled the tank into the valley, the four men courageously guided the vehicle up the steep, hazardous slope. Enemy fire, failed to halt their progress, and the tank, having reached the summit, was able to blast hostile targets with great effect. The courageous feat of these four men eliminated a strong enemy point, and made possible the advance of friendly troops.

Sergeant <u>SEBASTIAN J. GRAYBUSH</u>, (33620776), Armored Force, United States Army. Home address: Miss Anna Graybush, (sister), 433 South Hancock Street, McAdoo, Pennsylvania.

Corporal PETER E. HALFKENNY, JR., (31304452), Armored Force, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Peter E. Halfkenny, Sr., (father), 134 Whitfield Street, Dorchester, Massachusetts.

Private First Class WALTER C. LIPKA, (31329369), Armored Force, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Rose Lipka, (mother), 12 Walter Court, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Private First Class <u>LEONARD C. POEHLEIN</u>, (35727477), Armored Force, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Roxie Ann Poehlein, (mother), Washington and Main Street, Cannelton, Indiana.

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,

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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:

Captain HARRY G. BEEBY, (02035795), Adjutant General's Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 5 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Harry Beeby, (father), 128 Main Street, Negaunee, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade MICHAEL C. BORYSZEWSKI, (31026278), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Michael Boryszewski, (father), King Street, West Hanover, Massachusetts.

Chief Warrant Officer VINCENT E. DUTKAVICH, (W2107023), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 1 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Estelle Krusniak, (sister), 232 Fifth Street, Manistee, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>HAROLD L. ENDRES</u>, (20654291), 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. W.A. Endres, (father), 25 South Charter, Madison, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant MARK J. LYNCH, (02036670), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement an connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 8 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mark J. Lynch, (wife), 489 Main Street, Medford, Massachusetts.

First Lieutenant FLORIAN C. PLACHINSKI, (0385188), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 February 1945 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Valerie E. Plachinski, (wife), Cudahy, Wisconsin.

Corporal JAMES L. RAU, (36152557), Corps of Military Police,
United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with
military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands,
from 3 March 1945 to 26 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Rau,
(mother), Big Rapids, Michigan.

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Private First Class ROBERT W. ROBISON, (35780665), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 March 1945. When the intense machine gun and small arms fire of the enemy wounded three of his companions, Private Robison, although wounded himself, remained behind to cover the evacuation of the injured men. By the volume and accuracy of his fire, he neutralized sufficient of the hostile fire to enable the three casualties to be safely removed. Then only did he withdraw and seek medical aid for his own wound. Private Robison's willingness to risk hostile fire to aid injured comrades is in accord with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Pearl Robison, (mother), Peters, West Virginia.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT J. THEISEN, (36110850), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 15 December 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Clara Theisen, (mother), 1120 Rademacher Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade SILVIO W. VITIELLO, (20116138), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 October 1944 to 10 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Peligrino W. Vitiello, (father), 38 Fifth Street, Medford, Massachusetts,

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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 officer and enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant HENRY O. HARRISON, (37200799), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Saidor, New Guinea, from 18 March 1944 to 30 April 1944. Home address: Mr. William H. Harrison, (father), 1306 Jackson Street, Joplin, Missouri.

Sergeant WILBERT H. HEINZ, (20645035), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 18 November 1944 to 6 April 1945. Home address: Mr. John Heinz, (father), Box #13, Waumandee, Wisconsin.

Master Sergeant ROBERT A. LONERGAN JR., (37111701), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 October 1944 to 5 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna M. Lonergan, (mother), Reinbeck, Iowa.

Captain ROBERT G. MC FEELEY, (01037619), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 June 1944 to 10 April 1945, Home address: Mr. James I. McFeeley, (father), R.F.D. #1, Windber, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant GEORGE J. TULAUSKAS, (20639387), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy no r Capoccan, Leyte, Philippine Islands on 22 November 1944. The enemy fired an intense artillery barrage on an area occupied by friendly troops, causing a number of casualties. Sergeant Tulauskas immediately proceeded to the locality under bombardment and began administering first aid and supervising the evacuation of the more serious cases. With complete disregard for the hazard of his position, he continued at his task until all the wounded had been treated and the litter cases evacuated to the rear. Sergeant Tulauskas displayed exceptional courage in exposing himself to hostile fire in order to aid the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Ann Tulauskas, (mother), 793 Channing Avenue, Ferndale, Michigan.

Sergeant ARTHUR C. ZOLLER JR., (16032952), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and

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the Philippine Islands from 1 June 1944 to 6 April 1945. Home address: Kr. Arthur C. Zoller, (father), Lage Karen, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

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AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART

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

First Lieutenant CLARENCE N. KENNEDY, (0416161), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marjorie C. Kennedy, (wife), 10 St. Marks Street, Le Roy, New York.

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

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 officer:

Second Lieutenant JAMES P. SMITH, (01185775), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 March 1945. A numerically superior enemy force, aided by an intense artillery barrage, attacked the positions of friendly troops. In order to counteract the accumate fire of the enemy's heavy pieces, Lieutenant Smith established an observation post and began directing counter-artillery fire. The observation post, which was in an exposed area on the forward slope of a hill, immediately became the target of concentrated hostile fire. Heedless of the great hazard of his position, he continued with his task, so effectively directing fire as to cause a large number of enemy casualties, until he was killed by an enemy shell. Next of kin:

Mrs. Paul J. Smith, (mother), 216 West Benson Street, Decatur, Georgia.

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:

Sergeant MIKE FERENCE, (33144947), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near fimiyac, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 March 1945. Sergeant Ference was a member of a patrol ambushed by a large force of the enemy. The patrol successfully withdrew a short distance, leaving a number of casualties behind the enemy line. Sergeant Ference, aided by the covering fire of three other enlisted men, undertook to infiltrate through the hostile perimeter and return with the wounded. Driven back on six occasions by the enemy's violent fire, he went forward again and won through to the wounded men. Sergeant Ference's highly courageous feat undoubtedly saved the lives of several of his comrades. Home address: Mrs. Katie Ference, (mother), 72 Statler Street, Central City, Pennsylvania.

Captain JULIAN A. FOSTER, (0362885), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military opera-

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tions against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 March 1945 to 21 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Julian A. Foster, (wife), 188 North Fairview Avenue, Spartanburg, South Carolina.

First Lieutenant <u>JOE B. GRIFFIN</u>, (Oll07993), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 March 1945 to 21 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. A. B. Griffin, (mother), Route #1, Wheeler, Texas.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) MORRIS B. HASKELL, (01533082), Medical Administrative Corps. 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 1 August 1944 to 10 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Ben Weber, (grandfather), 1717 2nd Avenue South, Fort Dodge, Iowa.

Technician Fourth Grade <u>JACKSON W. HAUCK</u>, (20638800), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Aitape, New Guinea, from 3 July 1944 to 17 August 1944. Home address: Mrs. Alma F. Hauck, (wife), 1406 Prairie, Essexville, Michigan.

Technician Third Grade JOHN E. ACY, (38062253), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious ach evement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 10 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Thomas E. Lacy, (father), 411 South Center Street, Longview, Texas.

Sergeant CARL M. MATHIAS, (35337711), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Timiyac, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 March 1945. Sergeant Mathias was a member of a patrol ambushed by a large force of the enemy. The patrol successfully withdrew a short distance, leaving a number of casualties behind the enemy line. Sergeant Mathias, aided by the covering fire of three other enlisted men, undertook to infiltrate through the hostile perimeter and return with the wounded. He made four attempts to break through, but was driven back on all occasions by the violent fire of the enemy released at extremely close range. However, his efforts drew such a large volume of the hostile fire that it was possible for another rescue party to win through to the wounded men. Sergeant M. thias courageously exposed himself to great risk in order to assist wounded comrades. Home address: Mrs. Betty A. Mathias, (wife), 1215 Stilwell Avenue, Fremont, Chio.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private) MERRILL G. MC WHINNIE, (42122050), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Timiyac, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 March 1945. Technician McWhinnie wa; a member of a patrol ambushed by a large force of the enemy. The patrol successfully withdrew a short distance, leaving a number of casualties behind the enemy line. Technician McWhinnie placed three other enlisted men in a position of the covering fire

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would assist him, and then attempted to crawl through the hostile perimeter to the wounded men. He made several tries, but on all occasions was driven back by the violent fire of the enemy released at extremely close range. He persisted in his efforts until, having received a disabling wound, he was forced to withdraw. Technician McWhinnie risked his life in a courageous attempt to rescue his wounded comrades. Home address: Mrs. Jessie L. McWhinnie, (mother), Box 226, Chazy, New York.

Technical Sergeant <u>WILBERT J. FAUCH</u>, (36204874), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 10 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Max Rauch, (father), St. Nazianz, Wisconsin.

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AWARDS				

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 posthumourly by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

States Army. For gallantry in action near Timiyac, Luzon, Philippine Islands, or 3 March 1945. Sergeant Krause was serving as a scout for an advancing patrol when he detected the presence of the enemy a short distance ahead. His warning enabled the patrol to set up a successful defense, but in the first exchange of fire he observed that one of his officers was wounded and lying on terrain now completely surrounded by the enemy. Heedless of his own safety, he took up an exposed position from which he directed fire on the enemy. The casualties inflicted by his accurate fire and the volume of the hostile fire directed at him enabled another man to safely withdraw the wounded officer from the scene of the action. Sergeant Krause remained in his position and with his weapon provided cover for the evacuation until he received a fatal wound. His gallant sacrifice saved the life of an officer. Next of kin: Mrs. Dorotny C. Krause, (mother), 635 Carlton Street, Toledo, Ohio.

II. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze' Star Medal awarded to Technician Fifth Grade Loyal E. Vogel by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, Section II, General Orders No. 49, dated 22 March 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him posthumously 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:

Technician Fifth Grade LOYAL E. VOGEL, (35262213), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Timiyac, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 March 1945. Technician Vogel was with the main body of a patrol ambushed by a numerically superior force of the enemy. The fate of the lead men of the patrol was uncertain, and he determined to crawl forward to their position and render assistance if

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possible. Although the enemy was deployed in the surrounding jungle, and he would be forced to cross terrain swept by their guns, he provided for covering fire by his companions and courageously advanced. Proceeding under unrelenting small arms fire all the way, he was struck and killed short of his destination. Technician Vogel's heroic attempt to aid his comrades reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Oley Vogel, (mother), 1900 Compton Road, Mt. Healthy, Ohio.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

Star Medal awarded to Corporal James E. Fair, by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 4, Section V, 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:

Corporal (then Private First Class) JAMES E. FAIN, (33126578), Medical Department, 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. Home address: Mrs. Sarah L. Fain, (mother), R.F.D. #4, Box 51, Stuart, Virginia.

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 Third Grade RUDOLPH E. BARTO, (35529720), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Timiyac, Luzon, Fhilippine Islands, on 3 March 1945. Technician Barto was serving as an aid man with a reconnaissance patrol when it was ambushed by a numerically superior enemy force. The exchange of fire wounded several of the friendly troops who fell in positions separated from the main body of the patrol. Technician Barto promptly attempted to reach and administer aid to these wounded men, although the only route to them was along a trail flanked on both sides by thick jungle in which were concealed the enemy soldiers. He crawled forward along the path but was driven back by the heavy volume of the hostile fire directed at him from extremely close range. He made six unsuccessful attempts, all at great hazard to himself, and finally, during his seventh try, received a wound that forced him to withdraw. Technician Barto's heedlessness of personal danger in his attempt to aid wounded soldiers is in the finest tradition of the service Home address: Mrs. Anna Ledwyn R. Canada. to, (mother), Post Office, Ledwyn - K

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Private First Class THEODORE A. CZYZYK, (33397278), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 March 1945. Private Czyzyk was attached to an infantry company whose positions were attacked by a large number of the enemy employing heavy machine gun and small arms fire. A number of men were wounded and required immediate aid. Private Czyzyk, without regard to the great danger, moved about the area, administering first aid to several of the casualties. Throughout the two hours of the engagement, he fearlessly proceeded with his work and treated all of the wounded he could reach. Private Czyzyk's courageous behavior heightened the morale of the unit and inspired his companions to repulse the attackers. Home address: Mrs. Nellie Czyzyk, (mother), 78 Main Street, Box 742, Lyndora, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade <u>LEONARD T. DAVIS</u>, (33145181), 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: Mrs. Julia Davis, (mother), 321 Horton Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

Captain MARVIN NUREWITZ, (0502367), Medical Corps, 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.Jeannette V. Hurewitz, (wife), 150 East 49th Street, New York, New York.

E. TENEDINE, (31041283), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Timiyac, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 March 1945. A patrol, of which Technician Tenedine was a member, was ambushed by the enemy and received a number of casualties. Noting the spot where a wounded officer had fallen, he risked the heavy fire of the enemy, moved forward through their line, and returned with the injured man. Shortly after this he attempted to rescue a wounded soldier lying in an area exposed to the sweep of the hostile weapons but was forced to withdraw by the volume of the fire directed at him. He risked his life on yet a third occasion, and succeeded in recovering the body of a comrade. Technician Tenedine's courageous behavior under fire served as an inspiration to his companions. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Tenedine, (mother), 8 Aven Screet, Ansonia, Connecticut.

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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:

Technical Sergeant FRANCIS P. DICKSON, (36111857), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 10 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Dickson, (mother), 2275 Cortland Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Master Sergeant FRANK J. LOHN, (35005055), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 25 December 1944 to 10 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ann Lohn, (wife), 2236 West 105th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Sergeant TRYGVE O. PEDERSEN, (20656551), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the satemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 July 1944 to 15 Arail 1945. Home address: Mr. Carl Pedersen, (father), 629 Spring Street, Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

Captain ROPERT J. WIEFERICH, (01286579), Infantry, United States Army. For meditorios achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 March 1945 to 21 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frank Wieferich, (mother), 1452 Catalpa Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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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:

Captain (then First Lieutenant) PAUL R. BENJAMIN, (0372574), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 23 December 1944 to 21 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucille C. Benjamin, (wife), 10 Walnut Street, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant JAMES Z. CONDON, (33001901), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 March 1945. An attack by an infantry platoon against a hostile machine gun emplacement situated on the summit of a steep hill was halted by the violent defensive fire of the enemy. Sergeant Condon realized that if he were to expose himself and attract the bulk of the hostile fire, the remainder of the platoon could advance and take the position. He therefore proceeded into the open and immediately became the target of intense automatic weapons fire, a burst of which seriously wounded him. Despite his injury he continued another fifty yards and attained a position of safety, while at the same time the platoon approached from another route and neutralized the hostile emplacement. Sergeant Condon's highly courageous action made it possible for his platoon to successfully complete its mission. Home address: Mrs. Bessie Condon, (mother), R.F.D. #3, Cambridge, Maryland.

Technical Sergeant JAMES A. REYNOLDS, (36308116), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 8 December 1944 to 26 March 1945. How address: Mrs. Sarah Peters, (mother), 2520 West Adams Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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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), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Captain CHARLES E. PARKS, JR., (0450104), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Colasion Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 and 20 November, 1944. A strong force of the enemy had established a road block along a strategic trail and was well entrenched in the terrain commanding the approach to the road block. As a previous attack by a friendly infantry company had been repulsed, it was decided that an artillery barrage should be layed down as preparation for a second attack, and Captain Parks proceeded to a point in advance of our lines, and began directing artillery fire on the hostile positions. The enemy concentrated considerable automatic weapons and small arms fire at him, but heedless of his personal danger, he continued with his task until darkness. The following morning he returned to the same hazardously exposed observation point and directed fire so accurately that infartrymen were enabled to advance and rout the enemy. inflicting many casualties on them. Captain Parks' capable direction of the artillery barrage, performed at great risk to himself, made possible the destruction of formidable enemy emplacements. Home address: Mr. Charles E. Parks, Sr., (father), c/o La Plante-Choate Company, Cedar Rapids, 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, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named warrant officer and enlisted men:

Technician Fourth Grads WILLIAM H. OSBORNE, (35025005), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 24 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Michael Osborne, (father), 313 Jackson Street, East Liverpool, Ohio.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade WILLIAM A. PACKER, (W2127755), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with

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military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 4 September 1943 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Miriam S. Packer, (mother), 371 East Street, East Weymouth, Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant ORRIN F. ZECH, (20652000), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 18 November 1944 to 8 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Herman Zech, (father), Route #4, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

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AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR

By direction of the President, under the Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section 1 WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is award d posthumous Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the followalisted men:

Private First Class SAMUEL J. CAPPERI, (33480281).
Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzo Philippine Islands, from 12 Warch 1945 to 20 Merch 1945. Next kin: kr. James Capreri, (father), 516 West Mount Carmel Avenue, Gleps de, Pennsylvania.

II AWARDS OF THE PROPER 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:

JASON L. HAMILL, (35615444), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Capoocan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. Shells from enemy artillery landed in the area of a medical clearing station, causing a number of casualties. Although Technician Hamill had received a severe wound in the hip, he refused to delay for personal treatment and immediately began administering first aid to the other wounded. Other shells exploded in the area, but with complete disregard for his own safety or injuries, he continued at his task for a period of five hours until it became apparent that he required immediate hospitalization. Technician Hamill's heroic behavior served as an inspiration to the men of his unit and reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Home address: Mrs. Olive M. Hamill, (mother), 2400 Glenmawr Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

Captain JOSEPH P. MONTEFORTE, (0888273), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and

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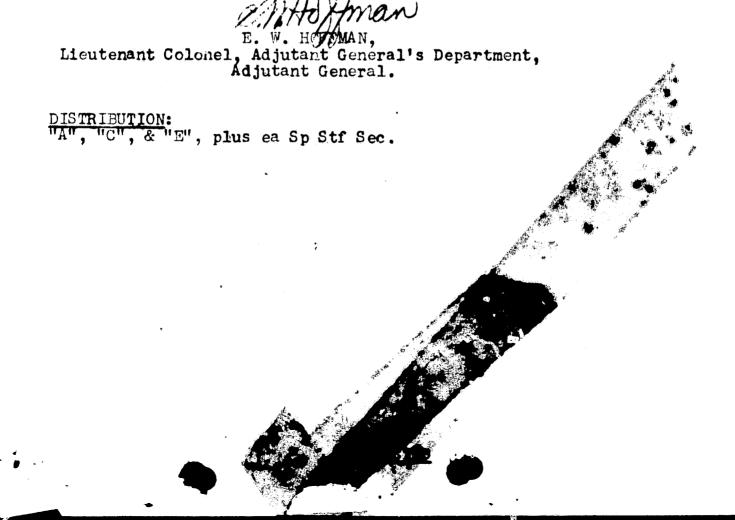
the Philippine Islands from 4 April 1944 to 23 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mona T. Monteforte, (wife), 40 Bowen Avenue, Medford, Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES F. ZUKOWSKI, JR., (36110658), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 20 March 1945 to 25 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Charles Zukowski, (father), 7234 Miller Street, Detroit, Michigan.

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AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Execu-tive 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 name officer and enlisted men . for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight in Papua from 17 October 1942 to 19 January 1943. These men made repeated flights in unarmored transport planes, at low altitudes, subject to the fire of hostile ground troops and attack by enemy planes, in order to drop vitally needed rations, ammunition, and medical supplies to friendly ground forces engaged in combat with the enemy:

Staff Sergeant RICHARD M. AUDISS, (36208149), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Sophia Audiss. (mother), 651 Elmwood Avenue, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant (then Technician Fourth Grade) DONALD N. BAXTER, (02035260), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Doris Baxter, (wife), 3118 South 42nd Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade ELTON R. BECK, (20648363), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Emil Beck, (mother), 304 High Street, Hartford, Wisconsin.

Sergeant BYRON E. BECKER, (20649250), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. William L. Becker, (father), 411 West 5th Street, Marshfield. Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant HERBERT A. BOOMER, (20648362), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Herbert A. Boomer, (father), 407 North Lincoln Avenue, Beaver Dam, Wisconsin.

Private First Class RONALD E. BOSLEY, (20637946), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. R. E. Bosley, (mother), Railroad Avenue, Sault Ste Marie, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant DONALD R. BROWN, (20651104), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Alice J. Brown, (mother), R.F.D. #4, Platteville, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade GEORGE J. BUTZLER. (20648364), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. George A. Butzler, (father), 238 Eighth Street, Hartford, Wisconsin.

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Sergeant JOHN R. CARPENTER, (20648996). Infantry. United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary A. Carpenter, (mother), 2672 North 41st Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT C. COLLINS, (20648365), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Guy Collins, (rather), Rio. Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade WALTER FEUTZ, (20648367), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Abraham Feutz, (father), R.R. #1, Rubrim, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade <u>ELROY A. GESSERT</u>, (20648368), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. August Gessert, (mother), 519 Fifth Avenue, West Bend, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade ORTHELL F. GRIESMER, (20648369), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Charles Griesmer, (father), Gould Street, Beaver Dam, Wisconsin.

Semgeant HAROLD J. HENDRICKSON, (20648778), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. H. Hendrickson, (father), New Auburn, Wisconsin.

Sergeant WFSLEY L. HILLERY, (36207524), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Florence Hillery, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Darlington, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade PAUL R. HRON, (20:)48370), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Frank Hron, (mother), 149 Tenth Avenue, West Bend, Wisconsin.

Sergeant (then Corporal) <u>DONALD W. JENKINS</u>, (20649608), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. John Jenkins, (father), Randolph, Wisconsin.

Private First Class HOWAPD R. JOHNSON, (20649874), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Julius Johnson, (mother), Box 64, Almond, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) HOWARD J. JORGENSON, (36209479), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ida Jorgenson, (mother), Scandinavia, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade <u>WILLIAM A. KNOLL</u>, (20648372), Infantry, Unite States Army. Home address: Mrs. William E. Knoll, (mother), 320 \ lliams Street, Mayville, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>DONALD B. KULB</u>, (20648373), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. George A. Kolb, (mother), 56 East Loos Street, Hartford, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT H. KUESTER, (20648375), Infantry, United tates Army. Home address: Mrs. Herman Kuester, (mother), 150 with Main Street, West Bend, Wisconsin.

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Technical Sergeant <u>WILLIAM F. MAY. JR.</u>, (36208262), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. William F. May, Sr., (father), 14 Fremont Street, Kiel, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade <u>HUGH A. MC CONAGHY</u>, (20648378), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ruth McConaghy, (wife), 526 North Lincoln Avenue, Beaver Dam, Wisconsin.

Sergeant GAYLAND F. MEYER, (20650285), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary C. Leyer, (mother), 219 Second Avenue, Baraboo, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant GORDON C. MILLER, (20650830), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Hilda C. Miller, (nother), 2062 North 9th Street, Watertown, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade MAX J. MOSER, (20648379), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Carl A. Moser, (brother), 422 North Park Avenue, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>RICHARD J. MURPHY</u>, (29085452), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Annie T. Murphy, (stepmother), 88 Jackson Street, Northhampton, Massachusetts.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT J. OLSCN, (36209216), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Leona Olson, (mother), 1624 North 54th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>DONALD T. PETERS</u>, (20648381), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Peters, (wife), 3864 North 42nd Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Private First Class MARVIN L. ROBERTS, (36207561), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Marvin L. Roberts, (wife), R.R. #1, Zone 4, Madison, Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant) KENNETH F. ROENNEBUPG, (20650628), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Franklin Roenneburg, (father), Juda, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>WAYNE S. SNYDER</u>, (20648383), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Earl E. Snyder, (mother), 307 East Walnut Street, Harrison, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT M. STEGER, (20649195), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Mike Steger, Jr., (father), 401 North Central Avenue, Marshfield, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT H. STEINBACH, (20648384), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice Steinbach, (wife), 225 East Maple Avenue, Beaver Dam, Wisconsin.

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Technician Fifth Grade HARRY D. STEINMETZ, (20049231). Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Frank Steinmetz; (mother), 112 South Cedar Street, Marshfield, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>DUANE R. SYVRUD</u>, (36207745), Infantry; United States Army. Home address: Mr. Clarence A. Syvrud, (father), Verma, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant (then Corporal) LEO A. VINJE, (36207500), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Cle L. Vinje, (father), 513 Clemons Avenue, Madison, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade HOWARD H. WERNER. (1648387); Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Erwin Werner, (mother), 606 Third Avenue, West Bend, Wiscensin.

Sergeant FRED J. YAHLE, (36209362), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary K. Yahle, (wife), 1830 North 39th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR....II
AWARD OF THE ERONZE STAR MEDAL.....III

I. RESCISSION OF AWARD:

So much of Section I, General Orders No. 22, Headquarters 32d Infantry Division, as pertains to the award of the Silver Star to Private First Class ROBERT DECUBBER, 33428189, Infantry, is rescinded.

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), the Silver Star is awarded posthumous y by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Frivate First Class ROBERT DECUBEER, (33428189), 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 mortally wounded. Private Decubber's courageous action contributed greatly to the success of his company's advance. Next of kin: Mrs. Rose Decubber, (mother), 214 West 8th Avenue, Tarentum, Pennsylvania.

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

Technician Fifth Grade LEON C. AVERY. JR., (38477484), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Aitape, New Guinea, from 3 July 1944 to 17 August 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mary Avery, (mother), Route #1, Nacagdoches, Texas.

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BIGINAL ORDER

I. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MIDAL:

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 Géneral, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Ross, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 March 1945. An infantry company, supported by a machine gun section emplaced on the slope of a hill, was attacking an enemy position on an adjoining hill. These three men were the crew of one of the supporting machine guns, and when they observed that the forward platoon in the assault was subjected to withering fire by hostile machine guns, they directed their fire at two of the hostile automatic weapons. The latter were forced to shift their fire from the platoon below to counter the fire trained on them. The three men continued to attack the two enemy guns, firing at both in alternate bursts, although their position was extremely precarious, and one of their number had been wounded three times. The brave stand of these three men against superior fire enabled the assault platoon to withdraw to a more secure point, evacuating all casualties as it moved.

Private First Class (then Private) ROBFRT D. BOND, (20811821), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Anna L. Shires, (mother), 8961 South Sante Fe, Los Angeles, California.

Private <u>LEWIS A. DOBBINS</u>, (35425140), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Dolly Dobbins, (mother), Stallings, West Virginia.

Sergeant JAMES H. ECTON. (37373679), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. James D. Ecton, (father), Elkton, Missouri.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the previsions 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:

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Private First Class ROSS BARTON, (39592976), Infantry, United State: Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 March 1945. Private Barton was assigned the mission of defending a sector of a perimeter on a strategic hill held by his platoon. The enemy, in considerable strength, launched a furious night assault with grenades, automatic weapons, and small arms fire. Private Barton returned the fire c' the enemy, inflicting many casualties upon them, until his armunition was exhausted and he observed that he was alone. with the enemy leaveen him and his command post. Realizing that fire power from his sector was needed to nelp repulse the attack, he left his posttion and made his way over mountainous and wooded terrain, through the hostile troops, and to his own lines. He returned with the needed reinforcements to his original post and with their aid played a decisive part in driving off the enemy. Private Barton's courage and initiative made possible the successful defense of a vital position. Home address: Mrs. Faye V. Barton, (wife), 16317 Menlo Avenue, Gardeno, California.

First Lieutenant ROYALE L. STEELE, (01032396), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 February 1945. Lieutenant Steele was in command of a motorized patrol attacked by enemy machine guns firing from covered positions. Quickly dispersing his vehicles, he began crawling with four men toward the direction of the hostile fire. Before he could attain a point near enough for an assault, he was wounded in the thigh. He then gave orders to his party not to attempt to reach his hazardous position, to return to the vehicles, and to withdraw immediately from the range of the enemy machine guns. Alone and unaided he crawled back to the read, where he was picked up by the most advanced of the vehicles. Lieutenant Steele's highly capable leadership saved his patrol from possible annihilation. Home address: Mrs. Rhoda A. Steele, (wife), 1 West 85th Street, New York, New York.

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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, VD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Captain JAMES E. MURPHY, (0413918), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 14 December 1944 to 22 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. John T. Murphy, (mother), 2012 Wisconsin Avenue, Superior, Wisconsin.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Major Donald P. Radde by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 5, Section IV, General Orders No. 65, dated 5 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:

Major (then Captain) <u>DONALD P. RADDE</u>, (0348479), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 17 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mildred P. Radde, (wife), 800 Jefferson Avenue, Sparta, 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, warrant officer, and enlisted men:

Sergeant (then Private First Class) <u>EARL C. BEACH</u>, (34785211), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near

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the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 30 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Christofer C. Beach, (father), R.R. #1, Box 58, De Land, Florida.

First Lieutenant LEON J. DEGNAN, (02034670), Field Artillory, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philipping Islands from 8 June. 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mr. J.J. Degnan, (father), Guttenberg, Iowa.

Major (then Captain) MAX W. EMMERT. JR., (0368105), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 14 November 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Inez K. Emmert, (wife), 6018A Virginia Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

Chief Warrant Officer <u>DAVID A. GROSS</u>, (W2114653), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 16 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hilda Gross, (mother), 422 South Rock Avenue, Viroqua, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant CLAUDIAN B. HEIDT. JR., (34092408), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on Ji March 1945. When an enemy force launched a violent night attack on the areas adjacent to a supply dump, it became imperative that ammunition be rushed to the defending troops; Sergeant Heidt and another soldier organized a supply train to carry the needed ammunition. Although the only available trail was under heavy and continuous hostile automatic weapons and small arms fire, they unhestratingly led the train forward over the hazardous path, guiding the carriers safely by the enemy, and encouraging them by their calmness and courageous behavior in the presence of danger. Sergeant Heidt's capable leadership and intrepidity helped make it possible for our troops to repulse the assault of the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Willie C. Heidt, (mother), 3 Bec Street, Charleston, South Carolina.

Staff Sergeant RUPPET L. HENNEMAN, (20648962), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 March 1945. When an enemy force launched a violent night attack on the areas adjacent to a supply dump, it became imperative that ammunition be rushed to the defending troops; Sergeant Henneman and another soldier organized a supply train to carry the needed ammunition. Although the only available trail as under heavy and continuous hostile automatic weapons and small ms fire, they unhesitatingly led the train forward over the lardous path, guiding the carriers safely by the enemy, and puraging them by their calmness and courageous behavior in the

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presence of danger. Sergeant Henneman's capable leadership and intrepidity helped make it possible for our troops to repulse the assault of the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Rupert L. Henneman, (wife), 7162 Whipple Street, Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant JOHN L. JONES, (38110540), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon. Philippine Islands, from 31 March 1945 to 4 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Thomas B. Jones, (brother), 3755 Couth Grant, Englewood, Colorado.

Tochnician Fourth Grade WILLIAM SCHULTZ, (20115515), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 19 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dota Schultz, (mother), 43 Nottinghill Road, Brighton, Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade HARRY UNROE. JR., (35578492), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 6 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nellie K. Unroe, (mother), 307 West Morrison Street, Frankfort, Indiana.

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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 officer and enlisted man:

Private First Class FDWIN E. BENNER, (33788574), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 20 March 1945 to 24 March 1945. Next of kin: Mr. Edwin Benner, (father), Main Street, Sunneytown, Pennsylvania.

Captain HENRY M. WILSON, JR., (0340636), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Timayac, Luzon, Inilippine Islands, from 13 March 1945 to 15 March 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Florence G. Wilson, (mother), 555 Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn, 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, Pulletin 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 Fourth Grade ARTHUR L. ADAMSON, (36308607), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 June 1944 to 21 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lena Adamson, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Kenosha, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) STEPHEN R. BEECHER, (02035872), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enery near Aitape, New Guinea, from 1 August 1944 to 4 August 1944. Home address: Mrs. George Beecher, (mother), 3803 South Rutland, Town of Lake, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant JACK C. CHANEY, (02034667), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine

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Islands from 17 November 1944 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Arlington W. Chaney, (father), 916 Shawnee, Bartlesville, Oklohoma.

Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD W. HOUSER, (36612009), Medical Department, United States Army. For neroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy mear Capoccan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. The enemy fired an intense artillory barrage on an area occupied by friendly troops, causing a number of casualties. Technician Houser and two other enlisted men immediately proceeded to the locality under bombardment and began administering first aid and supervising the evacuation of the three seriously wounded. With complete disregard for the hazard of their position, they continued at their task until all the wounded had been treated and the litter cases evacuated to the rear. Technician Houser displayed exceptional courage in exposing himself to hostile fire in order to aid the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn Houser, (mother), 123 North Kostner Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Chief Warrant Officer <u>JAMES E. PFEIFFER</u>, (W2114656), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 17 November 1944 to 15 April 1945: Home address: Mrs. Joyce Pfeiffer, (wife), 1033 South Clay Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade ALVIN L. ROSS, (38162595), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Phi ippine Islands, on 5 and 6 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Callie Ross, (mother), Box 71, Livingston, Texas.

Private First Class CHARLES D. STANCE, (33676322), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Capoocan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. The enemy fired an intense artillery barrage on an area occupied by friendly troops, causing a number of casualties. Private Stange and two other enlisted men immediately proceeded to the locality under bombardment and began administering first aid and supervising the evacuation of the more seriously wounded. With complete disregard for the hazard of their position, they continued at their task until all the r unded had been treated and the litter cases evacuated to the rear. Private Stange displayed exceptional courage in exposing himself to hostile fire in order to aid the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Stange, (mother), Box 143. Bunola, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade LORIN ZORTMAN, (20652544), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Aitape, New Guinea, from 10 July 1944 to 14 August 1944. Home address: Mrs. Jerry Zortman, (mother), 1203 Mathews Street, Merrill, Wisconsin.

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By direction of the tive Order No. 9419, 4 F. State of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 F. State of II, Bulletin 3, VD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant <u>DARRELL J. BURKE</u>, (36248768), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1943 to 20 April 1945. Home address: Lrs. Lidel Burke, (mother), Route #6, Mercmonie, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade LOUIS L. COLEMAN, (20630012), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 13 September 1944 to 24 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Louis L. Coleman, (wife), 425 West Allegan Street, Lansing, Michigan.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) JOHN E. NEVINS, (37369987), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 30 March 1945 to 12 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maggio Belle Nevins, (mother), Paris, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant HAROLD E. TREISE, (20645740), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1943 to 24 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Henry Treise, (father), 264 Parkway, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH VON KLINGER, (01686342), Modical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 February 1945 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Louise L. Von Klinger, (wife), 624 South Gilbert Street, Ada, Ohio.

Sergeant CLYDE C. WHITTLE, (34373585), Infantry, Unites States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 3 December 1944. After an attack by the enemy had been repulsed, Sergeant Whittle proceeded to the rear to protect the removal of casualties to the new perimeter being set up. Enemy snipers attacked, and in the exchange of fire his pistol was shot from his hand. Fearing for the safety of the wounded if he withdrew, he

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dashed across a trail under he heavy fire of the enemy to the spot where an automatic rifle lay abandened. Still under violent fire, he sprayed the surrounding area with a sweeping fusilade, killing at least one of the snipers and driving the others off. Sergeant Whittle displayed great personal courage in a perilous situation, and made possible the successful evacuation of several wounded soldiers. Home address: Mrs. S. W. Whittle, (mother), Reute No. 1, Dyerburg, Tennessee.

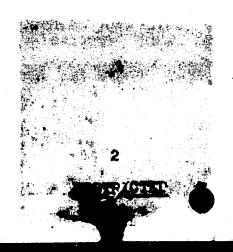
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I. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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 posthurously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant WILLIAM R. BAYSINGER, (37210379), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and raine Islands from 23 April 1944 to 11 March 1945. Roy A. Baysinger, (father), RFD #2, Hartford.

fantry, United The Philippine is ds from 22 April 1944 to 10 March 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Bessie C. Evans. (mother). General Delivery, Amity, Arkansas.

Private First Class EIMER N. REIDER, (20646551), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 January 1944 to 17 March 1945. Next of kin: Mr. Nicholas W. Reider, Jr., (father), 212 South Storey Street, Appleton, 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 ALVIN H. BOYD, (02034496), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Island: from 17 December 1943 to 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Betty V. Boyd, (wife), 740 Tillnan Avenue, Salen, Oregon.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT J. CALMES. (20646465), Infantry,

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United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the encmy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1943 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucile J. Calmes, (wife), 147 Hesper Avenue, Metaille, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Captain VERNON L. CAPEN, (0379099), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 March 1945 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mr. V. I. Capen, (father), 452 North Riverside Drive, Iowa City, Iowa.

First Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) GENAID E. CARTWRIGHT, (20645683), 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 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Cartwright, (mother), 58 Plymouth Avenue, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

First Sergeant GEORGE W. CONNELLY, (20645863), 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 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Connelly, (wife), 1514 Ogdon Avenue, Menominee, Wisconsin.

Sergeant ARTHUR E. DUETSCHNER, (37483879), Infantry, United States Arny. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations sainst the enemy near Colibons, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 March 1945. The platoon of which Sergeant Duerschner was a member advanced to attack a strong to the luces with violent, sweeping automatic weapons fire, a suited for the scriously wounded the platoon leader, who fell in the platoon, who is a several yards in advance of the main body of the platoon, without thought of his own danger, Sergeant Duerschner crawled and attempt to aid the wourded officer. Although the enemy concentrated their fire on him, he proceeded until he was wounded so severely as to make it impossible for him to continue. Sergeant Duerschner courageously risked his life in an attempt to aid a wounded officer. Home address: Mrs. Bertha E. Duerschner, (mother), 412 15th Street, Guthenburgh, Nebraska.

Private First Class <u>ISADORE MARK</u>, (33462542), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 April 1945. A group of civilians employed in evacuating casualties from the front lines were pinned down by heavy machine gun fire. Private Mark, observing two of the wounded in a locality dangerously exposed to the hostile fire, left his position of safety and,

collisting the aid of two of the carriers, risked the enemy machine guns to carry one of the wounded to safe ground. Again, at great risk to himself, he went forward into the hazardous zone and returned with the second wounded man. Private Mark's courageous feat reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Home address: Mr. Susman Mark, (father), 1253 Franklin

Staff Sergeant BIRNARD E. MASTERS, (20840611), 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. Marjorie A. Masters, (wife), 6394 Silverado Trail, Napa, California.

Street, Old Forge, Pennsylvania.

First Sergeant GEORGE J. NOWAK, (32371726), Infantry, United States Army. For neritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 March 1945 to 23 March 1945. Hone address: Mrs. Julia Lapenis, (sister), 184 3rd Street, Albany, New York.

Private First Class MANNEL RETANA, (39570144), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 March 1945. Private Retana was a member of a machine gun crew furnishing covering fire to an infantry platoon withdrawing under enemy fire. When he saw the last man of the platoon fall wounded, he dashed from his secure postiion and ran a distance of fifty yards under the gauntlet of hostile automatic weapons fire to bring the wounded man bock to safety. Private Retana's courageous act undoubtedly saved the life of a fellow soldier. Home address: Mrs. Erlinda Retana, (wife), 1233½ West Second Street, Santa Ana, California.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH J. SILWANOWICZ, (20647439), 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 21 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Silwanowicz, (mother), 905 Second Street, Menasha, Wisconsin.

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I. AWARDS OF THE BROUZE STAR LEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bullett WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer enlisted men for heroic achievement in connection with militar operations against the enemy near Culasian Point, Leyte, Philipine Islands, on 18 November 1944. The enemy placed an artill barrage on an area occupied by friendly troops, causing many casualties. This officer and the three enlisted men immediate began administering first aid to the wounded and assisting in their removal from the dangerous area. They remained at this task for an hour and a half, although numerous shells fell due that period, until all the casualties were treated and removed to a safer locality. Their heroic behavior undoubtedly saved lives of several soldiers.

Captain HORACE G. ABDON, (0369086), Dental Corps, Unstates Army. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy S. Abdon, (wife), 52 East Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Technical Sergeant HERMAN H. BERNSTEIN, (20656859), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. H. Bernstein, (father), 2116 North 6th Street, Milwaukee, Wiscons

Sergeant LEONARD J. MUELLER, (36215467), Medical Dependent, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Kathryn Mueller (mother), 1966 South 32nd Street, Lilwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade THADDEUS ROJOVSKI, (36110318) Ledical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Tekla Rojowski, (mother), 13036 Mitchell Street, Detroit, Michell Street, Michell

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, Bullet 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Command General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named office and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade LEONARD B. BALLOR, (20639223) Ledical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achiement in connection with military operations against the enemy Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 6 March 1945 to 25 March 1945

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Home address: Mrs. Amanda Ballor, (mother), Linwood, Michigan.

Technician Third Grade ALLAN B. COPLEY, (36155269), 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 23 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Earl Copley, (father), Decatur, Michigan.

Captain FREELAN F. GAGE, JR., (01290739), Infantry, United States Army. For Meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 31 March 1945 to 19 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Betty Jane Gage, (wife), 523 Haggin Street, San Antonio, Texas.

Private First Class EMIL G. GUBA, (37314385), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 April 1945. A supply of plasma was needed for the treatment of battle casualties arriving at a battalion aid station, and Private Guba and another enlisted man set forth at night to locate a supply point. The trail was reported to be booby trapped at unknown points, and was subject to enemy artillery and mortar fire. Fog and rain made progress over the precipitous path doubly hazardous, but the two men, despite the danger and difficulties involved, were able to obtain the plasma and return with it in time to treat the critical cases. Private Guba displayed great personal courage in this dangerous undertaking and made possible the successful treatment of the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Elsie Guba, (mother), 3448 Fifth Avenue, Minneapolis, Linnesota.

Technician Fourth Grade LESTER P. KREUTZ, (36204973), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1943 to 23 April 1945; Home address: Mrs. Eleanora Kreutz, (mother), 544 Roosevelt Road, Kohler, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant LYNN E. MORRISON, (01300686), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 25 and 26 December 1944. Lieutenant Morrison, escorted by a three-man guard, transported important documents from division headquarters to a regimental command post. The trail used was under enemy observation, and the danger of interception or ambush very acute. He reached his destination and, having completed his mission, took charge of a litter train on the following day and guided it back over the dangerous trail to a hospital at a rear installation. Lieutenant Morrison displayed great courage in the achievement of his assigned mission. Home address: Mrs. Rose Morrison, (mother), 5640 Franklin Avenue, Hollywood, California.

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Technician Fourth Grade STANLEY J. PAWLES, (36110909), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Tuzon, Philippine Islands, from 20 March 1945 to 25 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances Paluchniak, (mother), 6409 Floyd Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Major CLIFFORD M. SIMMANG, (0342139), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 17 November 1944 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clifford M. Simmang, (wife), Route #1, Ponta, Texas.

Private First Class ERNEST G. SIMMONS, (38461158), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 April 1945. A supply of plasma was necded for the treatment of battle casualties arriving at a battalion aid station, and Private Simmons and another enlisted man set forth at night to locate a supply point. The trail was reported to be booby trapped at unknown points, and was subject to enemy artillery and mortar fire. Fog and rain made progress over the precipitous path doubly hazardous, but the two men, despite the danger and difficulties involved, were able to obtain the plasma and return with it in time to treat the critical cases. Private Simmons displayed great personal courage in this dangerous undertaking and made possible the successful treatment of the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Gem M. Simmons, (mother), Box 145, Bastrop, Texas.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL GILL:

ERNEST A. BARLOW Colonel, General Staff Corps, Chief of Staff

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STARE

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:

Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant) ROMAN L. RAJSKI, (01686311), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Yakamul, New Guinea, on 7 July 1944. Lieutenant Rajski was serving as a member of a forward observer party attacked to an infantry battalion when an attack by friendly riflemen was halted by the enemy's intense mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire. It was not possible to make observations for artillery fire from where the radio was situated, and Lieutenant Rajski acted as messenger between the forward observation point and the radio. He made six trips across open terrain, in full view of the enemy, who trained heavy fire on him in an effort to halt his activities. Later, as the attack progressed, he moved forward with the infantry in their assault against the hostile positions. Lieutenant Rajskis gallantry under direct and violent fire contributed to the successful conclusion of the engagement with the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Mary Rajski, (mother), 410 North Reserve Street, Stevens Point, 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:

First Sergeant CHARLES E. BORNGESSER, (36113355), 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 25 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bert V. Borngesser, (mother), 18401 St. Mary's Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class <u>WILLIAM BRODY</u>, (42040091), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. An enemy artillery

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shell exploded near a building, seriously wounding one of the soldiers inside. Private Brody, having been informed of the incident, crossed a hundred yards of terrain being swept by hostile machine gun and small arms fire and administered first aid to the injured man. Then, returning across the same hazardous area, he proceeded to another locality being subjected to heavy shelling and administered first aid to the wounded there. Private Brody exposed himself to great personal danger so that he might treat the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Goldie Brody, (wife), 1537 Hoe Avenue, Bronx, New York.

Private First Class JOSEPH V. DUCATT, (37175454), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 April 1945. On a dark night Private Ducatt drove an ambulance loaded with casualties over a highly hazardous road to an evacuation point in the rear echelon. The road was under intermittent shell fire, and the almost total darkness made driving exceptionally difficult. When the two front wheels dropped over the edge of a cliff, and the vehicle hung suspended, he made no attempt to abandon the vehicle and save himself, but immediately removed the wounded from the back compartment and sent a man to summon a bull-dozer to pull the ambulance onto the road. Private Ducatt's great courage and initiative in this emergency made possible the successful evacuation of the wounded men. Home address: Mr. Jule Ducatt, (father), Box 21, Algona, Washington.

Technician Fifth Grade EDWARD J. DUDZEK, (20647121), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1943 to 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs John J. Dudzek, (father), R.R. #1, Dousman, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>OWEN E. RUSLINK</u>, (36205005), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1943 to 23 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Elmer Ruslink, (father), Cedar Grove, Wisconsin.

Major EMIL G. SCHMIDT, (0318747), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from November 1944 to 1 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Jane Schmidt, (wife), 981 Lucile Avenue, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia.

First Sergeant MICHAEL J. STAPLETON, (20116114), Corps of Lightneers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Miss Anne C. Stapleton, (aunt), 47 Princeton Street, Medford, Massachusetts.

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Private First Class BRYAN STEWART, SR., (34396595), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 April 1945. An attack by an infantry company against enemy positions was halted by the withering fire of hostile machine guas securely entrenched on sloping ground, and Private Stewart was a member of a squad detailed to eliminate these guns. He pressed forward, directing deadly small arms fire on the enemy, until within grenade range; then he tossed hand grenades which killed a number of the enemy and reduced one of the obstacles. He continued on, firing his carbine and throwing grenades, until the enemy guns were silenced and his company was enabled to continue the assault. Private Stewart's heroic behavior made possible the successful completion of an attack on the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Movell J. Stewart, (wife), Route #2, Horton, Alabama.

Captain ROBERT E. VICK, (01291550), 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 21 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Manie L. Vick, (grandmother), 323 College Street, Greenville, Kentucky.

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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 Commonding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

* Private First Class CARMEN BONARRIGO, (31368391), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon. Philippine Islands, on 29 March 1945. When the attack of his company up a steep, bare ridge was pinned down by the accurate and heavy machine gun fire of the entrenched enemy, Private Bonarrigo worked his way forward to a point from where he could open fire on the hostile machine gunners and snipers. His position was exposed, and he immediately became the target of much of the enemy's fire, but he courageously maintained his ground, harassing the foe with his accurate fire, until he was struck and killed. Private Bonarrigo, by his heroic sacrifice, divorted a large portion of the hostile fire and enabled his comrades to sweep forward and capture the objective. "Hext of kin: Mrs. Antoinette Bonarrigo, (mother), 15 Dona Street, Lynn, Massachusetts.

Private CLYDE B. HAMMONS, (37364661), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 11 March 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Gladys T. Hammons, (wife), 3320 Quivas Street, Denver, Colorado.

Private SANFORD LEHRHOFF, (32307800), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 April 1945. Private Lehrhoff was a member of a rifle squad protecting the members of a demolition crew while they set an explosive charge in a cave occupied by a large force of the enemy. A strong concentration of enemy machine gun and small arms fire was directed at anyone who exposed himself on the ridge above the cave, but Private Lehrhoff courageously kept his position and placed covering fire on the cave until the task of the demolition crew was completed and the enemy pocket destroyed. Next of kin: Les. Celia Lehrhoff, (mother), 25 Van Velsor Place, Newark, New Jersey.

Private First Class JOE J. PANCOSKA, JR., (39342046), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection

with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 April 1945. A body of the enemy was barricaded behind a series of strongpoints in a large declivity with an unobstructed field of fire. Private Pancoska was a member of a squad that advanced to liquidate this pocket. He fearlessly braved the heavy hostile fire, spraying the positions of the enemy with bursts from his automatic rifle and providing cover for the demolition men, who were thereby enabled to destroy the hostile strongpoints with explosive charges. Private Pancoska fearlessly exposed himself to great danger so that this dangerous enemy position might be eliminated. Next of kin: Mrs. Josephine Pancoska, (mother), Battle Ground, Washington.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) VICTOR T. PRZEK"AS, (37314472), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 March 1945. Sergeant Przekwas was a member of a patrol ambushed by the enemy as it was moving up the slope of a ridge. A fierce battle ensued, and in the exchange of shots he observed that one of his companions was wounded and unable to withdraw under his own power. Sergeant Przekwas, indifferent to the heavy fire directed upon him, fearlessly pressed forward to the wounded man's side and returned with him to a position of safety. Sergeant Przekwas voluntarily exposed himself to great danger in order to rescue a wounded comrade. Next of kin: Ers. Mary Przekwas, (mother), Star Route, Lancaster, Minnesota.

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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 First Lieutenant Paul E. Timm by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, General Orders No. 69, dated 6 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:

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) PAUL E. TIMM, (02036713), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 March 1945. The enemy opened fire with machine guns and small arms on the command post of an infantry company, wounding one man severely. Seeing that the man was lying helpless, Lieutenant Timm exposed himself to the hostile fire to dash thirty yards to the soldier's side. He administered first aid and then, under fire all the way, carried him to a position of safety. Later in the day he again exposed himself to great danger by making two further trips under fire to rescue other wounded men. Lieutenant Timm's heroic conduct undoubtedly saved the lives of three wounded soldiers. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude Timm, (mother), Lindsey, Montana.

IT. 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 EDMUND A. BARTKOWIAK, (20652089), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 March 1945 to 10 April 1945. Sergeant Bartkowiak was a member of a liaison party serving with an infantry battalion. On several occasions the violent fire of the enemy disrupted wire installations vital communication between observers and the friendly artiller Sergeant Bartkowiak courageously exposed himself to host lory and machine gun fire so that he might repair the

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By maintaining this necessary line of communication, Sergartkowiak made possible the successful support by our arts of infantry attacks against the enemy. Home address: Mr. Janatkowiak, (father), 919 5th Avenue, Stevens Point, Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant CASPER G. FRITSCHI, JR., (36209193), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the demynnear the Villa and Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on Al March 1945. Sergeant Fritschi was in charge of his platoon when the enemy began a night artillery barrage. He moved among the men, reassuring them by his example of calmness under fire, and dispersing them so as to gain the greatest cover. He established contact with another platoon and, when the enemy attacked after raising the barrage, he directed the defense so capably that the portion of the perimeter held by his platoon was successfully maintained. Sergeant Fritschi's courageous leadership helped repulse a formidable attack by the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Sylvia Fritschi, (wife), 2721 North 20th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade ADELBERT T. INGALIS, (20115456), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 10 December 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Milo L. Ingalls, (mother), 124 Grove Avenue, Wilmington, Massachusetts.

Private First Class GEORCE F. MARCINKOWSKI, (36110385), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 25 March 1945 to 17 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances Marcinkowski, (mother), 5035 Neckel Avenue, Dearborn, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant OSCAR M. MORALES, (38034929), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 March 1945. Sergeant Merales, seeing that two men were struck by enemy machine gun fire, imadiately left his secure position and went to their rescue. He crawled fifty yards under intense hostile fire and carried one of the men to safety. He then retraced the hazardous path and brought the second man to a secure position. Sergeant Morales rescued these two men at great risk to himself, and undoubtedly saved their lives. Home address: Mrs. Maria A. Morales, (auht), 907 Zaragosa Etreet, Laredo, Texas.

Sergeant FRANK B. SARLES, JR., (17032261), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with illitary operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 February 1945. Sergeant Sarles was guarding a portion of a perimeter in the early morning hours when

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he detected an enemy soldier advancing upon his position. He immediately fired, mortally wounding his adversary, who tossed an explosive charge as he fell. Although wounded and stunned, he was able to hear the approach of a large number of the enemy, and, manning his machine gun, he fired several bursts, repulsing the attack and causing several casualties. Sergeant Sarle's alertness and intrepidity prevented the enemy from over-running his position. Home address: Mr. Frank B. Sarles, (father), $814\frac{1}{2}$ 21st Street, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

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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 enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade CHESTER CZARNOMSKI, (36110382), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 25 March 1945 to 17 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lottie Czarnomski, (mother), 6462 Craig Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Technical Sergeant RAYMOND H. HEMMINGHAUS, (20645691). Infantry, United States Army. For heritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1943 to 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edna Hemminghaus, (mother), 529 16th Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Sergeant CHARLES.B. JENNINGS, (31018472), 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 28 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jennie Jennings, (mother), East Hardwick, Vermont.

Private First Class JOHN L. MCALPINE, (36110939) Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 25 March 1945 to 17 April 1945. Home address: Mr. George McAlpine, (father), Route #1, Wausaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT J. McCARTHY, (20116136), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 15 February 1945 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Robert J. McCarthy, (father), 102 Dudley Street, Medford, Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>CARL OLSON</u>, (20652645), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Culasian Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 November 1945. The enemy placed an artillery barrage on an area occupied by friendly troops, causing many casualties. Technician Olson immediately began administering first aid to the wounded and assisting in their removal

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from the dangerous area. He remained at this task for an hour and a half, although numerous shells fell during that period, until all the casualties were treated and removed to a safer locality. Technician Olson undoubtedly saved the lives of several soldiers. Home address: Mr. John L. Olson, (father), RFD $\frac{1}{11}2$, Soldier's Grove, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade HENRY T. STEPHENSON, (36110129), Modical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 25 March 1945 to 17 April 1945. Home address: Myrtle Stephenson, (aunt), 130 Maple Street, River Rouge, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade <u>DOMINIC VALLOUE</u>, (36110107), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 25 March 1945 to 17 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Blanche Vallone, (mother), 3510 Sheridan, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade JOSEPH H. WALLACE, (36204858), Infantry, United States Army. For meritoricus achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 23 April 1944 to 10 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Angeline Wallace, (mother), Star Route, Denmark, Wisconsin.

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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 enlisted men:

Sergeant (then Private First Class) JOSEPH F. CERESE, (42176960), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 May 1945. While attempting to seal a cave thought to be abandoned by the enemy, two men were fired on and wounded, and one lay in the path of enemy fire. Sergeant Cerese and another soldier crawled forward in the face of intense fire, reached the wounded man, who lay within twenty feet of the enemy position, and returned him to a place of safety. Then, again braving violent enemy mortar and small arms fire, he and his companion, armed with pole charges and grenades, stormed a large cave occupied by several of the enemy. In spite of the heavy volume of fire directed on them, not only from their objective but from supporting enemy positions, they succeeded, by throwing grenades and placing the charges, in destroying the main position and a nearby supporting position, and killing at least four of the enemy. Sergeant Cerese displayed admirable courage and coolness in this action. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Cerese, (mother), 81A Hull Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) LUDWIG H. FATZAT, (35905711), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 May 1945. While attempting to seal a cave thought to be abandoned by the enemy, two men were fired on and wounded, and one lay in the path of enemy fire. Sergeant Matzat and another soldier crawled forward in the face of intense fire, reached the wounded man, who lay within twenty feet of the enemy position, and returned him to a place of safety. Then, again braving violent enemy mortar and small arms fire, he and his companion, armed with pole charges and grandes, stormed a large cave occupied by several of the enemy. In spite of the heavy volume of fire directed on them, not only from their objective but from supporting enemy positions, they succeeded, by throwing grenades and placing the charges, in destroying

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the main position and a nearby supporting position, and killing at least four of the enemy. Sergeant Matzat displayed admirable courage and coolness in this action. Home address: Mr. Ferdinand Matzat, (father), Route #2, North Judson, Indiana.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

En addition to the Purple Heart awarded to Colonel Merle H. Howe by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, General Orders No. 81, dated 15 November 1943, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended. The citation is as follows:

Colonel MERLE H. HOWE, (0131962), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 May 1945. Home address: Mrc. Virginia M. Howe, (wife), 621 Deming Street, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

III. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART:

Bnder 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 ERMEST A. BARLOW, (016116), General Staff Corps, United States Army. For wounds received in action on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzo, Philippine Islands, on 11 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence M. Barlow, (wife), 953 Military Drive, Salt Lake City, Utah.

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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, VD, 1944), the Bronze Str. Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class JOSEPH L. BAKER, JR., (33642480), Infantry United States Army. For Varoic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 March 1945. The enemy was strongly resisting the attempts of an infantry company to capture a strategic hill, chief resistance coming from a well concealed cave in which the enemy were employing a captured machine gun. Private Baker was a member of a heavy machine gun crew sent to wipe out the occupants of this strong point, and he proceeded boldly to a cleared position affording an excellent field of fire on the terrain to be attacked. He assisted in setting up the machine gun, ignoring the frenzied efforts of the enemy to halt his activities, and cooly performed the difficult operation of removing and properly replacing faultily loaded ammunition belts. By helping to accomplish the destruction of this enemy pocket, Private Baker made possible the subsequent attack that captured the hill. Home address: Mrs. Joe Baker, (mother), Riverton, Virginia.

Staff Sergeant ANTHONY J. BARTOSEVICH, (33351464), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pastoren, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 February 1945. Sergeant Bartosevich was acting as a scout for a patrol proceeding through the immediately opened fire, killing at least two of the enemy, and making it possible for the patrol to attack and break through the ambush. Sergeant Bartosevich's alertness and coolness in the presence of great danger enabled his companions to escape unscathed from a hazardous situation. Home address: Mrs. Antoinette Bartosevich, (mother), 11 Main Street, Upper Lenigh, Pennsylvania.

Captain HAROLD W. BOURGOINE, (02034836), Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 14 November 1944 to 17 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Carrie Rown, (mother), 12 Middle Street, Claremont, New Hampshire.

Sergeant JOHN GORDON, (19152282), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon,

Philippine Islands, on 27 March 1945. An enemy machine gun opened fire at long range, wounding a number of men located inside a defense perimeter. Sergean Gordon, observing that one of the wounded was lying helplessly on exposed terrain, left the cover of his fewhole and, dashing to the side of the casualty, carried him a distance of twenty-five yards, under violent fire all the way, to where first aid could be safely administered. Sergeant Gordon's courageous action undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded man. Home address: Mr. M. K. Gordon, (father), Cascade, Montana.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH T. KENNEDY, (01302575), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 23 November 1944 to 14 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna J. Kennedy, (wife), 4757 44th Street, Woodside, Long Island, New York.

Major BENJAMIN E. KREMTZ, (0332529), Medical Corps, 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 9 May 1944 to 26 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Abraham Krentz, (father), 114 East 23rd Street, New York, New York.

Private First Class LAWRENCE W. LIEURANCE. (20651592), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands.from 24 November 1944 to 1 December 1944. Private Lieurance drove a vehicle containing equipment to be delivered to forward echelons over a road under hostile machine gun fire. Although other vehicles had halted, he pressed forward under direct fire which struck the body of his truck several times, and safely delivered the equipment. He repeated this brave feat on another occasion, narrowly escaping injury from the bullets striking his vehicle. On a subsequent trip he courageously proceeded over a road being subjected to hostile artillery fire, and did not abandon his truck until it had been severely damaged by exploding shells. Private Lieurance displayed exceptional courage in all three of these incidents performed under conditions extremely hazardous to himself. Home address: Mrs. Louise Lieurance. (mother), 1182 East Court Street, Viroqua, Wisconsin.

Corporal ALLEN T. SANDERS, (38343036), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 March 1945. The enemy was strongly resisting the attempts of an infantry company to capture a strategic hill, chief resistance coming from a well concealed cave in which the enemy were employing a captured machine gun. Corporal Sanders was a member of a heavy machine gun crew sent to wipe out the occupants of this strong point, and he proceeded boldly to a cleared position affording an excellent field of fire on the terrain to be attacked. He assisted in setting up the machine gun, ignoring the

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frenzied efforts of the enemy to helt his activities, and then opened fire on the hostile position. By helping to accomplish the destruction of this enemy pocket, Corporal Sanders made possible the subsequent attack that captured the hill. Home address: Mr. W. B. Sanders, (father), R. R. #5, Wellington, Texas.

Technical Sergeant ROLAND R. SCHEMENAUER, (20655786), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 19 April 1944 to 18 December 1944. Home address: Lirs. Selma Schemenauer, (mother), 3862 North 44th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Private First Class ROBERT R. SHORT, (35738063), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 March 1945. The enemy was strongly resisting the attempts of an infantry company to capture a strategic hill, chiof resistance coming from a well concealed cave in which the enemy were employing a captured machine gun. Private Short was a member of a heavy machine gun crew sent to wipe out the occupants of this strong point, and he proceeded boldly to a cleared position affording an excellent field of fire on the terrain to be attacked. He assisted in setting up the machine gun, ignoring the frenzied efforts of the enemy to halt his activities, and then further assisted the gunner first by bringing up ammunition and then by loading the weapon and observing the effects of the firing. By helping to accomplish the destruction of this enemy pocket, Private Short made possible the subsequent attack that captured the hill. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Short, (wife), Webb, West Virginia.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN THOMAS, (36110404), 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 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Sokoski, (sister), Box 57, Creekside, Pennsylvania.

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AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR..... I AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL..... 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 enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant JAMES H. ALBERSON, (37102850), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 March 1945. Sergeant Alberson and his patrol had penetrated deep into enemy-held territory where their progress was halted by the intense fire of a body of the enemy. He quickly and coolly dispersed his men for defense, moving fearlessly about in the open, exposed to the heavy machine gun and small arms fire of the foe. He continued thus, the main target of the hostile fire, until he was killed, but his prompt and capable defensive measures enabled the men of the patrol to repulse the subsequent assault of the enemy. Sergeant Alberson's gallant courage and qualities of leadership saved his men from possible annihilation and enabled the patrol to continue with its mission. Next of kin: Mr. Roby Alberson, (brother), Fair Oaks, Arkansas.

United States Army. For gallantry in action in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 8 March 1945. Sergeant Baker distinguished himself in a number of instances by his outstanding courage and leadership. He participated in many patrols under extremely hazardous conditions and invariably returned with the desired information. On one occasion, when his squad leader was mortally wounded, he promptly assumed command and successfully carried out the assigned mission. He was killed by sniper fire while fearlessly exposing himself in order to carry needed supplies to the men of his squad. Sergeant Baker rendered great service to his organization in positions of great danger and responsibility. Next of kin: Mrs. Phoebe A. Baker, (mother), Route #1, Box 6-A, Orchards, Washington.

Sergeant JOHN B. JOHNSTON, (39137916), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 April 1945. Sergeant Johnston and two other enlisted men were sent out to locate the position

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of an enemy machine gun that had fired on the company perimeter the previous night. Having reached a close point, he instructed the two men to cover him while he courageously proceeded alone. At great risk to himself he obtained the desired information and sent it back to his platoon leader. Then, while attempting to withdraw from his dangerous proximity to the enemy, he was shot and killed by an enemy sniper. At the cost of his life Sergeant Johnston obtained information vital to the safety of his company. Next of kin: Mrs. Margaret Johnston, (mother), 1128 South Chapel Street, Alhambra, 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:

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN C. CHAPMAN, (34164507), 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 25 March 1945. Home address: Mr. James A. Chapman, (father), 1309 Church Street, Alexander City, Alabama.

First Lieutenant JAMES H. FOX. JR., (01303871), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 March 1945 to 21 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hester Fox, (mother), 205 East Peace Street, Canton, Mississippi.

Corporal GERALD J. PETRONE, (31314722), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Fe, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 March 1945. Corporal Petrone was serving as an artillery scout accompanying a reconnaissance patrol when the party was attacked by a group of the enemy armed with rifles and sabers. The hostile foray was repulsed, but it was necessary for the patrol to withdraw hastily with the wounded, leaving much equipment behind. It was found that the medical supplies had been left with the abandoned materiel, and Corporal Petrone, conscious of the need of the wounded for immediate treatment, returned alone to the scene of the action. At great risk of discovery by the enemy, he foraged about until he had recovered the needed supplies, and then rejoined the body of the patrol. The highly courageous action of Corporal Petrone made possible prompt treatment of the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Petrone, (mother), 170 Hough Avenue, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

First Lieutenant WALTER R. REITER, (0384877), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the

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Philippine Islands from 17 November 1944 to 18 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Irene Reiter, (wife), 3222 North 36th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Private First Class <u>DONALD H. RUSSELL</u>, (36034576), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 April 1945. When Private Russell learned that two infantrymen had been wounded and had fallen on terrain dangerously exposed to hostile machine gun fire, he left his covered position and, crawling over the top of a ridge, made his way to their side at great peril to himself. Finding that one of the men had died, he administered emergency first aid to the other wounded soldier, and then, although under fire most of the distance, dragged the man back over the open ridge to a safe location. Private Russell's heroic action, performed at great risk to himself, undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded soldier. Home address: Mr. Fred S. Russell, (uncle), 1932 South Wesley Avenue, Berwyn, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant LAWRENCE L. THIELKE, (20646475), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail on 18 March 1945. The enemy attacked a company area under cover of darkness, throwing grenades and demolition charges that ignited valuable kitchen installations. Sergeant Thielke ignored the charges exploding in the vicinity while he struggled to smother the blaze with sand. He stayed at this task, doing everything in his power to preserve government property from destruction, with lomplete disregard for his own safety. Sergeant Thielke displayed great courage and devotion to his responsibility in this incident. Home address: Mr. James Thielke, (father), Route #2, Suring, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade <u>ELMER R. TORKELSON</u>, (39383122), 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 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emma Torkelson, (mother), Route #2, Box 238, Tacoma, Washington.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT E. WRIGHT, (38062590), 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 13 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Bruce D. Wright, (father), Route #5, Bristow, Oklahoma.

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

Private First Class GILBERT A. HELMEDAG, (36686681), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Irail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 March 1945. After intensive artillery preparation the enemy launched a night attack on the perimeter of an infantry company. The fury of the assault was such that the enemy were enabled to make initial gains, and the situation was rapidly growing critical. Private Holmedag and another enlisted man, fully conscious of the great danger, chose to remain at their machine gun and delay the progress of the fee while the remainder of the company organized a counter-attack. They stayed bravely at their post, firing steady bursts from their weapon, although themselves the central target of the hostile fire, until they were struck and killed. Private Helmedag's gallant sacrifice gained sufficient time for his companions to initiate a counter-attack that drove the enemy out of the perimeter. Next of kin: Mrs. Katherine Helmedag, (mother), 151 South 10th Street, Quincy, Illinois.

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 Modal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class RAYMOND A. KRUKAR, (20647706), Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at Cape Crotin, New Guinea, on 9 August 1944. Private Krukar was working on dotail on a beach used by officers for bathing, when he heard cries for help from two nurses swimming off-shore. He perceived that the one farthest out was in difficulty. He tore off his jacket, plunged into the heavy surf and, at great risk to himself, swam fifty yards to where she was going down for the second time. He succeeded in reaching the shore with her, and there she was revived by prompt treatment. Private Krukar undoubtedly saved the life of an army nurse by his heroic action. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Krukar, (mother), 3119 South 15th Street, Milwaukee, Nisconsin.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MUDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bullotin 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 Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 April 1945. These three men were given the mission of laying a telephone line

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a distance of five hundred yards over open, exposed terrain. As they emerged into the clearing, the enemy opened up with long range machine gun fire that re dered their task extremely hazardous. The last two hundred yards were accomplished under direct artillery fire as well, and the three men, working at top speed, bravely exposed themselves in order to finish laying the line before seeking shelter from the exploding shells. The three men completed an important mission under extremely dangerous conditions:

Private First Class ERVIN C. BOTTCHER, (39340591), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Wrs. Ervin C. Bottcher, (wife), 154 mest Grant Street, Lebanon, Ohio.

Sergeant HOWARD W. LA COSSE, (36185136), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Gabe LaCosse, (mother), Box 204, Hermansville, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grado EUGENE W. LENZ, (36382244), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Lena Lenz, (mother), 5410 Canfield Road, Box 563, Route # 1, NTD Pk., Chicago, Illinois.

IV. ATARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

Private First Class JACK R. BROCKS, (34814414), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Sopi, Moretai, on 26 September 1944. The patrol of which Private Brooks was a member was fired on by a large group of the enemy armed with rifles and a machine gun. The lead scout was wounded and fell on terrain permitting an uninterrupted field of fire by the Japanese gunners on an adjoining height, and Private Brooks and another enlisted man dashed to the edge of the clearing and placed a volume of rifle fire on the attackers heavy enough to provide sufficient cover for other patrol members to reach and withdraw with the wounded man. The two men then remained behind and fought a rear guard action that permitted the patrol to withdraw safely from the scene of the fighting. Private Brooks played an important part in the rescue of the wounded man and enabled his companions to escape from an enemy ambush. Home address: Ars. Flora House Brooks Meany, (mother), 404 Forrest Avenue, Gadson, Alabama.

Private LANKENCE J. CONDON, (12038974), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Sopi, Morotai, on 26 September 1944. The lead scout of a patrol was wounded in an enemy ambush and fell on terrain dangerously exposed to the rifle and machine gun fire of the enemy. Private Condon, accompanied by an officer, boldly proceeded across the clearing in an attempt to aid the wounded mar. He became the target of heavy hostile fire and was himself wounded and incapacitated before attaining his objective. Private Condon risked his life in an effort to rescue a wounded comrade. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Malloy, (sister), 390 Chauney Street, Brooklyn, New York.

First Sergeant ALBERT ". LA"LESS, (32194450), 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 25 March 1945. Home address: Mr. William Lawless, (father), 310 West 99th Street, New York, New York.

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Captain (then First Lieutenant) WILLIAM V. MORRIS, (01284572), Infantry. United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Sopi, Morotai, on 26 September 1944. The lead scout of a patrol was wounded in an onemy ambush and fell on terrain Cange rously exposed to the rifle and machine gun fire of the enemy. Captain Morris. accompanied by an enlisted man, boldmy proceeded across the clearing in an attempt to aid the wounded man. Then his companion was struck, he proceeded alone through the heavy hostile fire and succeeded in carrying the wounded scout to a position of safety. Captain Morris risked his life in order to rescuo a wounded soldier. Home address: Mr. Tilliam V. Morris, (father), 1231 East Belview, Phoenix, Arizona.

Private First Class WOTT B. ORDUNG, (19125515), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Sopi, Morotai, on 26 September 1944. The patrol of which Private Ordung was a member was fired on by a large group of the enemy armed with rifles and a machine gun. The lead scout was wounded and fell on terrain permitting an uninterrupted field of fire by the Japanese gunners on an adjoining height, and Private Ordung and another enlisted man dashed to the end of the clearing and placed a volume of rifle fire on the attackers heavy enough to provide sufficient cover for other patrol members to reach and withdraw with the wounded man. The two men then remained behind and fought a rear guard action that permitted the patrol to withdraw safely from the scene of the fighting. Privato Ordung played an important part in the rescue of the wounded man and enabled his companions to escape from an enemy ambush. Home address: Mrs. Bella Ordung, (mother), 5201 Almont Street, Los Angeles, California.

Tochnician Fifth Grade RICHARD H. NAUGHER, (34589193), Lodical Apartment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Rosa, Luzon, Philimpine Islands, on 15 Farch 1945. Technician 'laugher was an aid man serving with a recommaissance netrol operating doop in unemy-held territory when he received a painful foot wound from onemy shrapnel. Realizing that if a litter were constructed for him for use during evacuation valuable equipment would be left behind, he insisted on proceeding on foot. Throughout the day long march he maintained his place in the column in spite of his intense pain and the possibility of scriously aggravating the wound, and in no way impeded the progress of the march. Technician Maugher's devotion and fortitude made possible the preservation of valuable government equipment. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Naugher, (mother), Route #2, Center, Alabama.

Major ILHELM G. PETERS, (0284507), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 31 January 1945 to 28 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary M. Peters, (wife), 620 Lincoln Way East, Mishawaka, Indiana.

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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 enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant ADRIAN A. LUNDEEN, (39315598), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Talibaw, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 December 1944. Sergeant Lundeen and his squad participated in an attack designed to destroy two enemy artillery pieces emplaced on a strongly defended height. He deployed the squad through the thick underbrush and initiated an assault with grenades and rifle fire. He moved among the men, fearlessly exposing himself to the violent fire of the staunchly resisting opposing force while he directed and encouraged by his precept theddeveloping attack. Owing in large measure to his courageous leadership, the enemy became rapidly disorganized and were driven from their positions with great loss to them. Sergeant Lundeen's gallantry under fire immired his squad to successfully complete its mission. Next of kin: Mrs. Elsa Lundeen, (mother), Route #1, Eugene, Oregon.

Private First Class EDWIN C. WEHRING, (37414752), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Sopi, Morotai, on 26 September 1944. Private Wehring was lead scout of a patrol sent to reconnoiter a clearing for evidence of the presence of the enemy. As he emerged into the open, a concealed force of Japanese opened fire with a machine gun. He immediately, with utter fearlessness, charged the weapon and was struck in the leg. Rising from where he had fallen, he again charged the machine gun and this time received a mortal wound. He used his last strength to warn his companions of the presence of enemy snipers. Private Wehring sacrificed his life in a gallant attempt to save his companions.from possible annihilation. Next of kin: Mrs. Sophie Wehring, (mother), 1616a Cass, St. Louis, Missouri.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Staff Sergeant David S. Mackay by the Commanding

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: **(***) General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, General Orders No. 80, dated 13 April 1945, 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:

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) <u>DAVID S. MACKAY</u>, (32371651), Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Kayapa, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 19 March 1945 to 27 March 1945. Sergeant Mackay was a member of a reconnaissance patrol sent deep into enemy-held territory to observe the type of traffic on a strategic road. He operated always under constantly hazardous conditions, narrowly escaping enemy patrols on several occasions, as it was necessary for the purpose of observation that he maintain close proximity to the enemy's bivouacs and installations. He performed this highly dangerous duty for two days and a night, and then returned to friendly territory with information of the utmost value concerning the dispositions and strength of the enemy. Sergeant Mackay successfully accomplished a mission calling for the utmost in courage and ability. Home address: Mrs. Edna Mackay, (mother), 706 Union Street, Schenectady, New York.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Captain Earl M. Walters by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, Section III, General Orders No. 81, dated 14 April 1945, 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 <u>EARL M. WALTERS</u>, (0343337), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 March 1945. Captain Walters was leading his company in an attack against a hill strongly defended by a considerable force of the enemy. His strategy was to send a number of automatic riflemen to spray the hostile positions with fire while other men crept forward and demolished the enemy strongpoints with grenades. When he perceived that the assault was halted by the incapacitation of one of the automatic riflemen, he dashed forward, picked up the weapon, and personally led the assault. Inspired by this action, the men rallied behind him and swept forward to capture the objective. Home address: Mrs. Sarah P. Richards, (mother), 1510 West Babcock, Bozeman, Montana.

IV. 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:

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Private GERALD A. BAXTER, (42109757), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Colibong, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 March 1945. Private Baxter and his squad moved into a thickly wooded area with the intention of enveloping a strong enemy forse occupying high ground. When an enemy machine gun opened fire, disrupting the advance, he and another enlisted man instantly moved forward through the underbrush to contact and engage the hostile weapon. At perilously close range they attacked the machine gun crew with automatic rifle fire and grenades. When enemy fire ceased, they pressed on and established that the machine gun had been destroyed and the four man crew killed. Private Baxter, at great risk to himself, helped annihilate a formidible obstacle in the path of his company's advance. Home address: Mrs. Emiline Baxter, (mother), 135 Oak Street, Binghamton, New York.

Lieutenant Colonel JAMES P. BURNS, (0265547), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 March 1945. The progress of an attack on an enemy-held hill was halted by the great strength of interlocking machine gun emplacements on the slope of the hill. Colonel Burns, realizing that the defensive line must be breached before the assault could be pressed home, crawled forward under heavy fire with an explosive charge tied to a pole. At great risk to himself he attained a position within a few feet of the first strong point and placed the charge so as to destroy the emplacement. This intrepid act of Colonel Burns greatly inspired his men and caused them to press forward in a successful advance. Home address: Mrs. Celia M. Burns, (wife), 522 North 9th Street, St. Joseph, Missouri.

Sergeant HARRY CROFT JR., (34128460), Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Imugan River, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 14 April 1945 to 21 April 1945. Sergeant Croft, accompanied by one civilian scout, ventured deep into hostile territory to observe the type and amount of enemy traffic along a strategic trail. He traveled at night, moving cross country over difficult terrain, on short rations and with no communication with friendly troops. After a two day march, he established an observation point within dangerous proximity of the trail and at great risk of discovery by the enemy. On one occasion a Japanese patrol passed within two feet of where he lay concoaled. Sergeant Croft's great courage enebled him to successfully complete his mission and return with valuable information of the enemy's movements. Home address: Mrs. Zilpha H. Croft, (mother), Barnwell, South Carolina.

Private First Class <u>HAROLD S. HEINRICH</u>, (37172104), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Colibong, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 March 1945. Private Heinrich and his squad moved into a thickly wooded area with the intention of enveloping a strong enemy force occupying high

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ground. When an enemy machine gun opened fire, disrupting the advance, he and another enlisted man instantly moved forward through the underbrush to contact and engage the hostile weapon. At perilously close range they attacked the machine gun crew with automatic rifle fire and grenades. When enemy fire ceased, they pressed on and established that the machine gun had been destroyed and the four man crew killed. Private Heinrich, at great risk to himself, helped annihilate a formidable obstacle in the path of his company's advance. Home address: Mr. John Heinrich, (father), Medina, North Dakota.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) ROGER R.RUDDICK, (37520049), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Talibaw, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 21 December 1944. A well entrenched machine gun, emplaced in a position difficult of access, blocked the advance of an infantry platoon. It was decided that the weapon could best be knocked out by a flame thrower, and Sergeant Ruddick, although he had never used such an apparatus before, strapped a flame thrower on his back and inched his way forward until he was within twenty yards of the enemy. At this point he was detected, and heavy machine gun fire was directed at him in a frantic effort to halt his progress, but refusing to withdraw, he loosed the flame and silenced the hostile gun. Sergeant Ruddick's gallant act made it possible for his platoon to continue with its mission. Home address: Mrs. Marjorie E. Ruddick, (wife), 3706 Broadway, Kansas City, Missouri.

Technical Sergeant JAMES B. SIMPSON, (35487156), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verdo Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 30 March 1945. Sergeant Simpson was wounded in the hip by shell fragments while leading his platoon against a series of enemy strong points. Refusing to be evacuated, he stood his ground and fired several rounds of automatic rifle fire, pinning down the enemy. Then, exposing himself to withering machine gun fire, he directed bazooka fire into a number of the Japanese pillboxes. Sergeant Simpson's heroic achievement, performed in spite of the harassment of a severe wound, made it possible for his platoon to overcome enemy resistance and capture its objective. Home address: Mrs. Lucy Simpson, (mother), R.R. #1, Centertown, Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) WILLIAM H. WARDEN, (35929595); Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Kayapa, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 19 March 1945 to 27 March 1945. Technician Warden was a member of a reconnaissance patrol sent deep into enemy-held territory to observe the type of traffic on a strategic road. He operated always under constantly hazardous conditions, narrowly escaping enemy patrols on several occasions, as it was necessary for the purpose of observation that he maintain close proximity to the enemy's bivouacs and installations. He performed this highly

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dangerous duty for two days and a night and then returned to friendly territory with information of the utmost value concerning the dispositions and strength of the enemy. Technician Warden successfully accomplished a mission calling for the utmost in courage and ability. Home tidress: Mrs. Isabelle A. Warden, (mother), 3900 Muriel Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

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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:

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN F. IURLANO, (33150941), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 April 1945. Technician Iurlano was a member of a patrol sent to recover the bodies of two soldiers killed in close proximity to the enemy lines. Accompanied by three other enlisted men, he descended the slope of a hill in an attempt to flank the enemy positions and thus safely attain his objective. The enemy detected his approach and opened up with a heavy volume of small arms fire that killed him instantly. Technician Iurlano sacrificed his life in a courageous effort to recover the bodies of his slain comrades. Next of kin: Mrs. Caroline Iurlano, (mother), 6214 Butler Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant FLORENTINO J. MARTINEZ, (39234835),
Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 March 1945. Sergeant Martinez was a member of a patrol sent to secure a position on high ground. In order to attain this objective it was necessary for the patrol to travel over a trail whose features were unknown. As they had previously been fired upon, Sergeant Martinez undertook to go forward alone and reconnoiter a bend in the path fifty yards ahead. With complete disregard for his own safety, he proceeded to this point, where the enemy opened fire from a cencealed maching gun position and killed him. At the sacrifine of his life, Sergeant Martinez saved his companions from ambush and possible annihilation. Next of kin: Mrs. Bertha Martinez, (mother), 319th North Mary Drive, Santa Maria, California.

II. AWARDS OF THE PRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

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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 Lonoy, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 20 and 21 December 1944. These four enlisted men were sent to operate mine detectors over a stretch of enemy-held road known to be heavily mined. In addition to the danger of exploding the hyper-sensitive mines, they were also subject to the threat of sniper fire, but with courage and dispatch they labored for six hours, removing the mines. The following day they accomplished the same highly hazardous feat on another stretch of road. The achievements of the four men, performed at extreme risk to themselves, made it possible for our forces to continue the advance against the enemy:

Private First Class EDWARD A. BRADEN, (39391514), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary Braden, (wife), 136 South K Street, Tulare, California.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) EMIL J. BRATEK, (36202966), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary Bratek, (mother), 17 East 3rd Street, Superior, Wisconsin.

Private First Class WALTER J. KUHN, (33120563), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Estelle Marie Kuhn, (wife), 122 Wilson Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Technician Fourth Grade <u>EDWARD W. LACEY</u>, (35574594), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Goldiebelle H. Lacey, (wife), Route #2, Greenfield, Indiana.

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 Aitape, New Guinea, on 1 August 1944. These three men set out under cover of night to repair and service wire installations that had been damaged by enemy artillery and mortar fire. In order to complete the task it was necessary to pass over terrain being subjected by the Japanese to bombardment, presumably as a prelude to an attack. Shortly after the three men had returned the installations to service, the enemy did launch an attack, but the communications made possible by their courageous labors resulted in the effective placing of artillery fire on the advancing enemy forces and the ultimate repulse of the attack.

Corporal CARL J. BALL, (39386934), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Sherman A. Ball, (father), Gates, Oregon.

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Sergeant (then Corporal), FRANK P. SKIKIE"ICZ, (36208672), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Barbara Skikiewicz, (mother), 1949 South Thirteenth Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Sergeant AUGUST P. ZABROWSKI, (20652163), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Zabrowski, (mother), 405 Franklin Street, Stevens Point, 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, VD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named of icers and enlisted men:

Sergeant FAY L BAY, (37176277), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyto, Philippine Islands, from 18 Fovember 1944 to 23 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Fillard Bay, (father), Bovey, Minnesota.

Private First Class BEN M. COLLINGSWORTH, (34732495), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 March 1945. Private Collingsworth was observing the progress of an infantry patrol when he perceived that one of the men was struck by a sniper's bullet. Realizing the man required prompt treatment, he left the security of the perimeter and covered a thousand yards under the gauntlet of heavy sniper fire to the man's dide. He promptly administered first aid and then, although exhausted by his long run, helped carry the casualty back to the safety of the perimeter. Private Collingsworth underwent great hazard to aid a wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Della C. Angle, (sister), General Delivery, Leggett, Kentucky.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade LLOYD CUMMINGS, (37524053), 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 23 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Louise M. Cummings, (wife), RFD #1, Ozark, Missouri.

Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colibong, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 10 March 1945 to 23 March 1945. Over a period of several days Captain Gibson led his company in a series of attacks against the enemy entrenched on commanding ground and supported by heavy artillery and mortar fire. Although the company had suffered severe losses, he maintained the morale of his men by his indifference to the fire directed upon him and by his outstandingly capable leadership. Due in great measure to his inspiring example, considerable ground was wrested from the enemy and defended successfully against repeated counter-attacks. Captain Gibson distinguished himself by his courageous conduct under hazardous

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conditions. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn R. Gibson, (wife), Quaker City, Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade ELEERT O KEYS, (39333156), Infantry, United States Army. For moritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 23 April 1944 to 10 April 1945. Home address: Lrs. Merule M. Keys, (mother), Box 66, Garrison, North Dakota.

Sergeant CHARLES W SHAFFER, (33274111), Infantry, United States Army. For horoic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 April 1945. Sergeant Shaffer led his squad against formidable enemy strong points composed of pillboxes and machine gun emplacements. He courageously exposed himself to the furious fire of the defenders so that he might better direct the systematic destruction of the hostile fortifications. At no time did he seek cover from the withering fire, although men were being struck all around him. The attack, spearheaded by Sergeant Shaffer, gained considerable ground from the opposing forces. Home address: Mr. Harry R. Shaffer, (father), Box 386, Farrell, Ponnsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade RICHARD T SKOT, (37432520), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Vorde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 March 1945. Technician Skow went to the assistance of two men wounded by enemy machine gun fire. In order to reach their slit trench it was necessary for him to cross thirty yards of terrain repeatedly swept by hostile machine gun and small arms fire. Although he narrowly missed being struck several times, he persisted until he reached the wounded men. After dressing their wounds he assisted them to a safe position toward the rear. Technician Skow's heroic act, porformed at great hazard to himself, undoubtedly saved the lives of the two wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Kate Skow. (mother), Gilmore City, Iowa.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM H THACKSTON, (0377431), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. Lieutenant Thackston had set up a command post in a shack in a village just across the river from enomy installations being attacked by our troops. This command post group, besides maintaining communications with the forward ocholons, was responsible for the protection of the sole bridge across the river. An artillery shell struck the shack and wounded several of the occupants. Lieutenant Thackston, himself wounded and suffering from shock, directed the evacuation of the more scriously wounded and then reorganized the command post installations so as to restore communications and adequately defend the bridge. Lieutenant Thackston, in spite of his considerable injuries, maintained a position vital to the safety of attacking troops. Home address: Mrs. William H Thackston, (wife), 36 Hammett Street, Anderson, South Carolina.

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Lieutenant Colonel HERBERT C WALLACE, (0323441), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 March 1945 to 27 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helene Wallace, (mother), 118 South Oakley, Saginaw, Michigan.

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I. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS:

So much of Section I, General Orders No. 112, this headquarters dated 16 May 1945 as reads "Staff Sergeant CLIFFORD H. BAKER, (39333611), Infantry, United States Army" is amended to read "Private CLIFFORD H. BAKER, (39333611), Infantry, United States Army."

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), the Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant DON W. GIDNEY, (110977 4), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 5 March 1945. Sergeant Gidney, in the capacity of squad leader, demonstrated his high personal courage and qualities of leadership on many occasions. During armed engagements with the enemy he was always in the forefront of the fighting, and his intrepidity was a constant source of inspiration in himself ever eager to undertake dangerous mis tions, on one occasion running the gauntlet of heavy sniper fire in ander to spy out and report on enemy installations. He was mortally wounded while leading his squad in an attack against hostile positions. Sorgeant Gidney distinguished himself by his gallant conduct in operations against the enemy. Next of Mrs. Pearl E. Gidney, (mother), Route #1, Augusta, Maine.

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 ARVEN B. HANDLEY, (39592953), Infantry, United States Army: For gallantry in action near Pastorien, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 February 1945. As the patrol of which Private Handley was a member was crossing a flat stretch of ground, a Japanese machine gun opened fire from a concealed position,

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killing one man and wounding three others. The patrol remained pinned down for upwards of an hour, and all attempts to reach the three casualties were frustrated by the volume of the hostile machine gun and sniper fire. Private Handley and an officer then decided to make one more attempt, and they crawled fifty yards with bullets striking on all sides of them, until they reached the wounded. They then returned over the same hazardous route, bearing the three wounded men. The exceptionally courageous feat of Private Handley and the officer inspired the men of the patrol to fight their way out of the enemy trap. Home address: Mrs. Bonnie Z. Handley, (wife), 2512 Erie Street, San Diego, California.

Private First Class (then Private) JAMES S. MARTIN, (35078306), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Imagan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 March 1945. A soldier in the forefront of an assault against the enemy received a crippling wound and lay helpless, exposed to the continuing hostile machine gun fire. Previous attempts to reach him had been unsuccessful when Private Martin began crawling in his direction. At a point where it became impossible to proceed further by crawling, he sprang erect and dashed through the heavy close range fire to the man, picked him up in his arms, and carried him to safety. This gallant rescue by Private Martin, performed at great risk to himself, undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded man. Home address, Mrs. Lucile Martin, (wife), Route 3, Glasgow, Kentucky.

Private First Class HAROLD V. MATTIEWS, (16065958), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Linon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 December 1944. Private Matthews was the lead scout of a patrol proceeding along the bottom of a ridge when he detected the presence of the enemy in the brush nearby. He immediately opened fire, killing one of the Japanese riflemen, and himself receiving a severe wound. In spite of his injury, he charged toward the enemy, firing as he advanced, and inflicting other casualties upon them. The men of the patrol rallied behind him and killed or dispersed the remainder of the enemy. Private Matthews' intrepidity saved his companious from ambush and possibly from suffering severe casualties. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Matthews, (mother), 136 Clairmont, Detroit, Michigan.

Sergeant LESTFR E. ROY, (39699449), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 March 1945. Sergeant Roy's platoon deployed in two sections, one on each side of a razor back ridge, to assault and secure enemy positions of high ground. When he learned of the large number of casualties on the other side of the ridge from him, he ordered a number of men to nove to the hump of the ridge and render assistance to the group there. So that they might cross with a minimum of casualties, he crawled forward to within ten feet of a sniper's nest and drew a sufficient portion of its fire to enable his men to clear the obstacle safely. Sergeant Roy's action, achieved at the cost of a severe wound to himself, made it possible for the platoon to complete its mission. Home address:

Mrs. Carolin Roy, (mother), 1815 North Triview Street, Burbank, California.

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First Lieutenant HAROLD E. TAYLOR, (01302067), Infantry, United States Army: For gallantry in action near Pastorien, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 February 1945. As the patrol which Lieutenant Taylor was leading was crossing a flat stretch of ground, a Japanese machine gun opened fire from a concealed position, killing one man and wounding three others. The patrol remained pinned down for upwards of an hour, and all attempts to reach the three casualties were frustrated by the volume of the hostile machine gun and sniper fire. Lieutenant Taylor and an enlisted man then decided to make one more attempt, and they crawled fifty yards with bullets striking on all sides of them, until they reached the wounded. They then returned over the same hazardous route, bearing the three wounded men. The exceptionally courageous feat of Lieutenant Taylor and the enlisted man inspired the men of the patrol to fight their way out of the trap. Home address: Mrs. Anna R. Taylor, (wife), 3159 Lyndale Avenue, Baltimore Maryland.

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:

Technical Sergeant WARREN G. BARNHARD, (36156209), Infantry, United States Army. For neritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 23 April 1944 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Frederick L. Barnhard, (father), 1063 First Street, Muskegon, Mich.gan.

Sergeant SOLOMON S. GOLDSMITH. (12088078), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 18 March 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Goldsmith, (mother), 48-20 44th Street, Woodside, Long Island, New York.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH J. GRESIAK, (20652306), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 13 November 1944 to 23 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Frank Gresiak, (father), 829 Union Street, Stevens Point, Wisconsin.

Technician Eifth Grade FRANK J. HIRSCHENBERGER, (36163858), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 May 1944 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Theresa Hirschenberger, (mother), Route #2, Chesaning, Michigan.

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Technician Fourth Grade ANTON F. KAMINSKI, (36204702), 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 10 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Kaminski, (mother), Route #1, Little Suamico, Wisconsin.

Private First Class ROMAID E. LAWRENCE, (38711473), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 30 January 1945 to 23 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jessie W. Lawrence, (mother), Route #1, Avoca, Texas.

Master Sergeant LAWRENCE R. ORTKRAS, (36112928), 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 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude Ortkras, (mother), 8847 Pinehurst Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Sergeant HOLDER H. PAYNE, (36207254), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 5 December 1944 to 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Julia Payne, (mother), 1903 Loomiss Street, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Private First Class LEWIN D. WAGNER, (36204852), 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 10 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Richard S. Wagner, (brother), Route #2, Manitowac, 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:

Private First Class WETTE J. PETRILLE, (32586525), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 March 1945. A platoon was assigned the mission of occupying a flank position to the left of a second platoon pinned down on a hillside by heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire, and by their support to relieve the critical pressure on the other group. As the platoon moved forward, a machine gun opened fire on them from a concealed position, and Private Petrille crawled forward alone to locate the hostile weapon. Although he was fired on repeatedly, he spotted the nest and crawled back to relay the information. Then once again he attempted the hazardous journey with the intention of directing mortar fire on the enemy machine gun, but was mortally wounded by a snipor's bullet. Private Petrillo sacrificed his life attempting to aid his platcon to obtain its objective. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Petrille, (mother), 19 Hilton Street, Rochester, New York.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR NEDAL:

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 7 December 1944. A night attack by the enemy on high ground held by an infantry platoon was repulsed, and the enemy withdrew a short distance and then subjected our perimeter to violent grenading and machine gun fire. These three men were defending a section of the perimeter when they heard a cry for help from a wounded soldier approximately thirty feet from them. Acting upon a hastily arranged plan, one of the three began crawling in the direction of the cry while the remaining two stood erect and maintained continuous rifle fire. This had the desired effect of drawing the larger portion of the hostile fire upon themselves while the rescue was successfully accomplished under cover of the diversion. As a result of their voluntary exposure to great danger, the wounded man was able to receive prompt medical aid:

Private WILLIAM CRANK, (15074827), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ethol Crank, (mother), 534 Pratt Street, Niles, Ohio.

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Sergeant MARVIN E. MASTRINI, (39130444), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ectty Mastrini, (mother), 616 North Third Street, San Jose, California.

Staff Sorgeant BART T. SNELGROVE, (38301107), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Carrie May Clay, (mother), General Delivery, Avinger, Texas.

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, VD. 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Livision, to the following named enlisted men for hereic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 April 1945. A report was received that there were a number of casualties at a point several hundred yard, from a perimeter. Litter transportation was required, and these six mon immediately moved out with the necessary equipment. Their path lay across open terrain upon which they became the target of heavy small arms fire, but ignoring their danger, they proceeded to the position of the wounded men and promptly and efficiently administered first aid to them. On the return trip, while bearing the litter cases, they were again exposed to sniper fire and the additional hazard of artillery shells exploding within dangerous proximity of the route of evacuation. By their couragoous action and efficient ministrations, the six mon undoubtedly saved the lives of several wounded soldiers.

Sergeant JOE F. ALDERSON, (35583855), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Thelma J. Alderson, (wife), 1240 West 31st Street, Indianapelis, Indiana.

Private First Class PAUL DUDER, (39720181), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Thekla Duber, (wife), 1500 Eudd Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Sorgeant GEORGE A.EV.NS, JR., (33396535), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Isabelle E. Evans, (wife), 1527 Alton Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>FARL W. GLUERY</u>, (36072714), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Anita Gadeky, (wife), 507 Bornman, Belleville, Illinois.

Private JOHN D. FOPE, (34630889), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Virginia W. Pope, (wife), 107 G Hickory Street, Chickasaw, Alabama.

Private First Class TOM RICE, (35682063), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Joe Rice, (father), Ivy Grove, Kentucky.

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ORIGINAL ORDER -

I. WARD, 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:

corporal WILLIAM R. WIISON. (32032760), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Euzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 April 1945. A report was received that there were a number of casualties at a point several hundred yards from a perimeter. Litter transportation was required, and Corporal Wilson, accompanied by a number of other men, immediately moved out with the necessary equipment. His path lay across open terrain upon which he become the Target of heavy small arms fire, but ignoring the danger, he proceeded to the position of the wounded men and promptly and efficiently administered first aid to them. On the return trip, while helping to bear the litter cases, he was again exposed to sniper fire and the additional hazard of artillery shells exploding within dangerous proximity of the route of evacuation. By his courageous action and efficient ministrations, Corporal Wilson undoubtedly helped save the lives of several wounded soldiers. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary E. Wilson, (nother), 33 North Harrison Street, Johnson City, 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 JOHN P. ADAMSKI, (0888235), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colibong, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 March 1945 to 21 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Issabele G. Adamski, (wife), 224 Spaulding Avenue, Ripon, Wisconsin.

Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant) WILLIAM H. COMPTON, (02024293), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 21 March

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1945. Home address: Mrs. Hester Compton, (mother), 106 Stewart Street, Knoxville, Tennessee.

Technician Fifth Grade MELVILLE R. CRAWFORD, (37120628), 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 10 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. June Crawford, (wife), 2968 Orchard Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Private First Class ROY T. ESTRADA, SR., (39145204), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 March 1945. A Japanese artillery bombardment ignited a large section of dry grass near a ration and supply dump, and the blaze rapidly became a serious threat to the stores of material. Private Estrada, assisted by another soldier, quickly organized a party of civilians and, while shells still burst in the area, rushed with them to the scene of the fire and directed the extinguishing of the flames. By his energetic action and willingness to expose himself to danger, Private Estrada saved a large amount of government equipment from certain destruction. Home address: Mr. Frank Estrada, (uncle). Box 1607, Salinas, California.

Staff Sergeant KENNETH E. KELLERMAN, (36063833), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Cole, (grandmother), Nokomis, Illinois.

Private First Class MIKE P. RODRIQUES, (39582974), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 April 1945. Private Rodriquez was the lead scout of an attacking force sent to eliminate an enemy strong point concealed in dense jungle growth. Although previous attempts to eliminate this pocket had been repulsed with loss, he bravely pushed forward in the face of intense machine gun and small arms fire. The sight of Private Rodriquez' indomitable courage under fire inspired the men behind him to sweep forward and inflict great losses upon the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Betty Loma Rodricuez, (wife), 576 Pico Street, San Bernardino, California.

Sergeant <u>URBANO N. VERANO</u>, (32426697), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 March 1945. A Japanese artillery bombardment ignited a large section of dry grass near a ration and supply dump, and the blaze rapidly became a serious threat to the stores of material. Sergeant Verano, assisted by another

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soldier, quickly organized a party of civilians, and while shells still burst in the area, rushed with them to the scene of the fire and directed the extinguishing of the flames. By his energetic action and willingness to expose himself to danger, Sergeant Verano saved a large amount of government equipment from certain destruction. Home address: Mr. Marcelino Dumlao, (uncle), 633 West 1st Street, Los Angeles, California.

Private First Class JOHN WEITZEL, (37250337), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 22 April 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eva Hammerschmidt, (sister), St. Paul Park, Minnesota.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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ORIGINAL ORDER -

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 enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant EMERY M. BUSSE, (37032542), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 29 November 1944. The enemy was strongly entrenched on a wooded hill, and Sergeant Busse led his platoon in a flanking attack designed to relieve the pressure on the platoons attacking through the center. After the assault had begun, contact was lost with one of the squads, and the danger arose that fire directed at the enemy night instead strike friendly troops. Sergeant Busse exposed himself to cross terrain subjected to machine gun, mortar, and small arms fire to locate the missing squad. At great risk to himself he persisted until he located the squad, and, finding it pinned down by the enemy fire, ordered the men to keep their position. He then returned to the remainder of the platoon and personally led the attack against the hostile positions, killing at least three of the enemy by his own actions. Sergeant Busse's intrepidity and cool-headedness saved a dangerous situation and enabled the plateon to continue its mission. Next of kin: Mrs. Gladys H. Busse, (wife), Lamberton, Minnesota, % Mr. and Mrs. William Vollmer.

Staff Sergeant HERDERT A. GLOECKLE, (36307699), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Ansagan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 March 1945 to 13 March 1945. Sergeant Gloeckle served as a mertar observer for an infantry company. At all times he was forward with the attacking platoons, and on several occasions won recognition from his superiors by his utter disregard for personal danger when establishing observation points on exposed terrain under heavy enemy fire. During an attack, he was wounded as a result of his presence with the most advanced elements. Sergeant Gloeckle repeatedly displayed great courage while directing mortar fire on enemy positions. Next of kin: Mrs. Augusta Gloeckle, (mother), 2524 North Central Park Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant SHELDON G. HAUERT, (20646517), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde

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Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 March 1945. Sergeant Hauert directed the evacuation of the wounded from terrain under machine gun and small arms fire from a nearby enemy hill. He moved about the area, exposing himself on several occasions, directing litter parties to the wounded, reconnoitering routes of evacuation, and then guiding the litter liarers and their burdens to positions of safety. Having accomplished the major portion of his task, he was killed in a gallant attempt to rescue a wounded man lying helplessly in an open field. Sergeant Hauert sacrificed his life in the service of his wounded comrades. Next of kin: Mr. Wilbert F. Hauert, (father), 735 West Oklahoma Street, Appleton, Wisconsin.

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 officers and enlisted men:

Technician Fourth Grade FRANCIS A. BALDWIN. JR., (17087643), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 April 1945. Enemy machine guns were holding up the advance of infantry troops, and it was decided to clear a trail through the brush with a bulldozer, so that tank units could be brought up to wipe out the nests. Technician Baldwin was the operator of the bulldozer and immediately became the main target of the machine guns, He pressed forward through the fierce, heavy fire, although numerous bullets struck the body of the cab, and did not withdraw until a serious head wound so hindered his sight that it became impossible to continue further. Nevertheless, the trail blazed by Technician Baldwin enabled the tank support to advance and blast the enemy strong points. Home address: Mrs. L. Dale Baldwin, (mother), Hasty, Colorado.

Technical Sergeant RICHARD C. CAMPS, (20645842), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Pinamopean, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 26 November 1944. The plateon of which Sergeant Camps was a member was given the task of attacking an enemy-held hill, half the plateon to attack from the side, and the other half, led by him, to assault from the front. With outstanding daring he directed the operations, moving about under heavy fire and spotting the enemy strong points for the flame throwers and grenade launchers. When he observed one of his men lying wounded in an open clearing, he braved the furious machine gun fire to crawl forward and evacuate the wounded man to a safe position. Sergeant Camp's intrepidity and inspired leadership made it possible for the plateon to successfully accomplish its mission. Home address: Miss Tracy Raumer, (aunt), 1518 Armstrong Street, Marinette, Visconsin.

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Private First Class ALBERT DUTCH, (36877910), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 30 and 31 March 1945. Private Dutch, serving as an automatic rifleman, spearheaded an attack against a force of the enemy entrenched on high ground. Early in the assault he was rendered unconscious by the concussion of an exploding grenade, but quickly recovering, he pushed forward and assisted in the capture of three Japanese machine guns. On the following day he was again in the forefront of the attack, and with his automatic rifle he knocked out two hostile pill boxes, inflicting great loss on the enemy. Private Dutch contributed measurably to the capture of this strategically important height. Home address: Mrs. Mable Dutch, (mother), 406 West 21st Street, Holland, Michigan.

Second Licutenant ARTHUR V. HODGE, (01327844), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 April 1945. Lieutenant Hodge led a patrol to hunt out and destroy enemy machine gun nests that had fired from a concealed position the preceding day on a company perimeter. The nests were spotted, and he and an enlisted man charged the strong points, throwing grenades as they advanced, and so neutralizing their defensive potential that demolition men were enabled to blast the hostile positions. This highly courageous charge by Lieutenant Hodge and the enlisted man destroyed a source of great danger to the company perimeter. Home address: Mrs. Mary L. Hodge, (wife), 2935 East First Street, Long Beach, California.

Staff Sergeant EDWARD E. KILERIDE, (37260634), Infantry, United States Army: For gallantry in action near Ansagan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 March 1945 to 23 March 1945. Sergeant Kilbride, as a mortar observer, served always with conspicuous gallantry in the performance of his hazardous duty. He was constantly with the most forward elements during attacks, and showed utter disrogard for his personal safety in his choice of observation posts on exposed terrain in close proximity to the enemy. While moving forward under fire to make observations, he was struck by the bullet of a Japanese šniper. Sergeant Kilbride repeatedly displayed great courage while directing mortar fire on enemy positions. Home address: Mrs. Rosie Marie Kilbride, (mother), Wakonda, South Dakota.

Private RODERT J. LEPPER, (39593335), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 April. 1945. Enemy machine guns were holding up the advance of infantry troops, and it was decided to clear a trail through the brush with a bulldozer, so that tank units could be brought up to wipe out the nests. The operator of the bulldozer was wounded by the exceedingly heavy fire and was forced to withdraw before completing the task, whereupon Private Lepper exposed himself to great danger by dashing to the vehicle and fuiding it against the enemy emplacements.

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Although numerous bullets struck the body of the cab, he did not desist until a trail had been blazed, enabling the tank support to advance and blast the enemy strong points. Private Lepper displayed great courage in a crucial situation. Home address: Mrs. Marion Lepper, (wife), 194 North Ventura Avenue, Ventura, California.

Captain DERNARD J. LILLIE, (0349010), Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 30 April 1945. Captain Lillie led numerous patrols deep into enemy-held territory, obtaining information of great value for the campaign against the enemy. On one occasion, the patrol he was leading encountered a numerically superior Japanese force. He promptly organized an adequate defensive perimeter, and, using all available weapons with great skill, repulsed the enemy with severe loss to them. Because of Captain Lillie's exceptionally competent leadership, the patrol returned safely to base. Home address: Mrs. Lucille Lillie, (wife), 86 Phillips Street, Greenfield, Massachusetts.

Sergeant (then Corporal) ROBERT C.:STOVER, (39130436), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 April 1945. Sergeant Stover was a member of a patrol sent to hunt out and destroy enemy machine gun nests that had fired from a concealed position the preceding day on a company perimeter. The nests were spotted, and he and an officer charged the strong points, throwing grenades as they advanced, and so neutralizing their defensive potential that demolition men were enabled to blast the hostile positions. This niguly courageous charge by Sergeant Stover and the officer destroyed a source of great danger to the company perimeter. Home address: Mrs. Helen Stover, (wife), 2626 I Street, Sacramento, California.

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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 Master Sergeant Robert M. Todd by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, Section IV, 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:

Master Sergeant ROBERT M. TODD, (36019515), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 16 November 1944 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. R. H. Todd, (mother), 320 California Street, Camden, Arkansas.

II. AWARDS OF THE IRONZE 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:

Sergoant LORING M. BLACK, JR., (32338150), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice Black, (mother), 22 St. Francis Place, Brooklyn, New York.

Captain CARL K. BOMBERGER, (01284277), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edith C. Bomberger, (wife), Route #2, Box 324E, Stockton, California.

Technician Fourth Grade <u>LLOYD W. GOSSEN</u>, (20655985), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 14 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mr. William Gossen, (father), Route #2, De Pere, Wisconsin.

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Staff Sergeant GEORGE B. KNEBIS, (36207341), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 30 January 1945 to 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jesephine C. Brose, (mother), 1026 Rose Street, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND A. RATTMANN, (36207663), Infantry, United States Army. For moritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 22 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Albert Rattmann, (father), Sun Prairie, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM J. REITER, JR., (20651972), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 17 July 1944 to 16 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Reiter, (mother), City Pumping Station, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant JOSEPH A. SKIDA, (20630780), 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 1 August 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Alexander Skiba, (father), 2221 Schoenherr Road, Utica, Michigan.

Lieutenant Colonel WILLIAM E. THOMASON, (0345648), Judge Advocate General's Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 8 December 1944 to 15 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. William E. Thomason, (wife), 102 Parker Avenue, Bryan, Texas.

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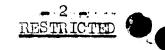
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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL......II

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, Julletin 3, WD, 1944), the Eronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding Ceneral, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 February 1945. In the midst of a violent artillery barrage these four men exposed themselves to great danger to administer aid to two wounded soldiers. Although shells were bursting in close proximity to them, the officer and one erlisted man, with great coolness and dispatch, administered emergency first aid to one of the casualties while in another portion of the field under bombardment, the two enlisted men swiftly and competently treated the second casualty. Then both of the wounded men were safely evacuated to positions of safety. At extreme hazard to themselves the officer and three enlisted men undoubtedly saved the lives of the wounded soldiers:

Corporal WILLIAM DAGGETT, (14067121), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Annie Lou Baggett, (mother), Rockledge, Georgia.

Corporal KENNETH R. BERKHEIMER, (13146495), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Rosie Berkheimer, (mother), RD #1, Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant LAWRENCE M. CLEMENT, (01686239), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Maxine Clement, (wife), 1600 Welch, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) IRVING G. HINDS, (37372790), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Leonard A. Hinds, (father), Fairview, Missouri.

II. AWARDS OF THE DRONZE 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 warrant officer and enlisted men:

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Sergeant WALTER R. ELEAZER, JR., (14201737), 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 25 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Walter R. Eleazer, Sr., (father), R.F.D. #3, Columbia, South Carolina.

First Sergeant <u>DAVID C. HAMM</u>, (36112832), 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 12 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Hamm, (mother), 25 East Margaret Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Sergeant RALPH H. HENDERSON, (14053607), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 March 1945 to 22 March 1945. Home address: Mr. William T. Henderson, (father), 60 Park Square, Asheville, North Carolina.

Sergeant BUSTER INGLE, (39394419), 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 12 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sue Ingle, (mother), Box 881, Merced, California.

Technical Sergeant GEORGE J. KELLY, (36202985), Infantry, United States Army. For neritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 23 April 1944 to 13 April 1945. Home address: Mr. John W. Kelly, (father), 2123 John Avenue, Superior, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant EDWARD L. KONOPACKI, (20646656), 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 20 April 1945. Home address: Mr. John T. Knnopacki, (father), 1223 South 18th Street, Manitowoc, Wisconsin.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade LEONARD J. LAPINSKI, (W2134989), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1943 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marjorie J. Lapinski, (wife), 2312 Rodman Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky.

Private First Class <u>WILLIE MILLS</u>, (35082910), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 March 1945 to 22 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Geneva Mills, (wife), Cannon, Kentucky.

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Staff Sergeant ROBERT T. SCHROEDER, (36011814), 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 10 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eucille Schroeder, (mother), 6316 North Lemai, Chicago, Illinois.

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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:

First Lieutenant <u>DAVID W. GILLIS</u>, (01103653), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 March 1945 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elere Gillis, (mother), Picayune, Mississippi.

Corporal FRAMK M. GRASSO, (32373804), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Julia Grasso, (mother), Box 12, Charlotteville, New York.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES C. LITTLEWOOD, (31019425), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Harriett Littlewood, (mother), 117 Pine Street, Danvers, Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant PAUL J. MC CARTHY, (20116135), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Robert J. Mc Carthy, (father), 102 Dudley Street, Medford, Massachusetts.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT H. MILEY, (36110435), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 25 March 1945 to 17 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lora Miley, (mother), 809 Kales Building, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class JOHN D. SHOEMAKER, (37223051), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Lazon, Philippine Islands, from 25 March 1945 to 16 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary L. Shoemaker, (wife), 3311 Mersington, Kansas City, Missouri.

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Private First Class ANTHONY P. STRECKER, (36722246), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 25 March 1945 to 17 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Matilda Strecker, (mother), 2040 West Touhy Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

First Sergeant CHARLES E. TURNER, (20115520), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philip ine Islands from 8 December 1944 to 7 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jean Turner, (mother), 691 Saratoga Street, East Boston, Massachusetts.

First Lieutenant GEORGE D. WESTON, (01107752), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 16 November 1944 to 28 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alicia W. Weston, (mother), 70 Jackson Street, Attleboro Falls, Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant <u>BENEDICT F. YABLONSKI</u>: (6788488), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Leonard Yablonski, (brother), 115 West Broad Street, Nanticoke, Pennsylvania.

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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:

Technician Fourth Grade IRVING A. BENWAY, (20115466), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 10 December 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ann Sarah Benway, (mother), 18 Capitol Street, West Roxbury, Massachusetts.

Technician Fourth Grade THOMAS J. BURKE, JR., (20115532), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 10 December 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Agnes Burke, (mother), 44 Marlboro Street, Belmont, Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM A. HARRIS, JR., (38208897), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 10 December 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mr. William A. Harris, (father), Route #1, Austin, Arkansas

Captain CHARLES E. LAURIAT, (0410395), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 17 November 1944 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nancy M. Lauriat. (wife), 318 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts.

'achnician Fifth Grade JAMES G. LUCKADOO, (34036421), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 10 December 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Macy Deviney Luckadoo, (mother), Route #2, Bostic, North Carolina.

Tochnician Fourth Grade JAMES S. NORRIS, (33007905), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippino Islands from 10 December 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lorena T. Norris, (mother), 1506 Belt Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

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Corporal GORDON V. SMITHEMAN, (20309855), Corps of Engineers United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 2 March 1945 to 9 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Reita R. Smitheman, (mother), Ambler Farms, Norwood, Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant WILBUR G. TIRRELL, (31029722), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 3 May 1944 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Prince H. Tirrell, (father), 167 Pleasant Street, South Weymouth, Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant ALFRED D. WHITE, (20116012), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For moritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 2 March 1945 to 11 March 1945, Home address: Mrs. Catherine M. White, (wife), 140 Reservoir Lyonue, Revere, Massachue sotts.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL GILL:

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

I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Colonel Ernest A. Barlow by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1. Section I, General Orders No. 2, dated 5 January 1945, a Bronze Cak-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:

Colonel FRNEST A. BARLOW, (016116), General Staff Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 May 1945. Colonel Barlow accompanied a patrol which set out to reconnoiter a route for tanks. When sudden fire from a well-concealed enemy cave position wounded a member of the patrol, he furnished covering fire while two enlisted men rescued the casualty. Then, while under small arms and mortar fire, he organized a group of men to assault the enemy position. While so doing, he was wounded by the burst of a mortar shell. Disregarding his wound and the enemy fire, he pointed out to the demolition men routes of approach to the caves and assisted in the furnishing of covering fire. A total of five caves were sealed by the use of pole charges. Colonel Barlow's quick and courageous action and his coelness under fire contributed measureably to the successful destruction of the enemy positions. Home address: Mrs. Florence M. Barlow, (wife), 953 Military Drive, Salt Lake City, Utah.

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 LYIE F. MILLER, (36307362), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 March 1945. An attack by infantry elements against the enemy bogged down as a result of the intense hostile fire encountered. It was necessary that supporting artillery and mortar units be used to knock out the Japanese strong points, and Sergeant Miller moved forward to make the needed

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observations. Although the position adopted offered no concealment from the heavy automatic fire sweeping the terrain, he fearlessly maintained his ground and directed the barrage of our mortar and artillery pieces so successfully that a number of enemy emplacements were annihilated. The assistance rendered by Sergeant Miller made it possible for the attacking troops to capture their objective: Home address: Mrs. Resetta Brooker, (mother), Box 278, Erie, Illinois.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) WILLARD H. PHILLIPS, (34779921), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 March 1945. When an attack by his platoon against enemy emplacements was halted by fierce resistance, Sergeant Phillips organized a perimeter from which fire could be directed at the enemy emplacements. One of the men stood up to toss a grenade, but was wounded before he could throw it, and the grenade dropped on the ground in dangerous proximity to a number of soldiers. Observing this, Sergeant Phillips immediately shouted a warning to the men and then threw himself at the grenade. Owing to the quickness of his motion his pass was unsuccessful, and he was forced to hug the ground until the grenade exploded. Sergeant Phillips' warning saved the lives of the nearby soldiers, and his gallant action demonstrated his willingness to hazard his own life in the interest of his comrades. Home address: Mrs. Era L. Phillips, (mother), General Delivery, Gaffney, South Carolina.

Private WILLIAM T. PINNIX, (39582620), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 March 1945. The squad of which Private Pinnix was a member was passing through a company perimeter when a large force of the enemy staged a surprise attack on the perimeter. The situation was quickly becoming crucial when Private Pinnix spied an unmanned machine gun about thirty yards from his position. He dashed to the weapon and quickly directed a tream of fire at a group of onrushing Japanese. As they broke and fled they tossed grenades, fragments of one wounding him in two places. The enemy attacked again, firing as they charged, but coolly traversing his weapon so as to realize the greatest possible effect from the firing, he completely broke the charge. The courageous behavior under fire of Private Pinnix repulsed a dangerous threat of the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Flora E. Pinnix, (wife), 1911 North Broadway, Santa Ana, California.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) FRANCIS W. SMITH, (01299808), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 16 March 1945 to 21 March 1945. Captain Smith led his company in a series of attacks against the enemy strongly entrenched on high ground. He was painfully wounded the first day of the engagement, but, refusing evacuation, he remained with his men, exhorting them to greater efforts. For the remaining days of the battle he was constantly in the forefront, exposing himself fearlessly to



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the danger of further wounds and setting an inspiring example of intrepidity for the men under his command. Home address: Mrs. Marie T. Smith, (mother), Strathconia Hall, New Haven, Connecticut.

Sergeant MICHAEL G. THOMPSON, (32365157), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 March 1945. During a fierce mortar barrage by the enemy Sergeant Thompson received a face wound from an exploding shell. Although he requested that he be allowed to remain with his squad, he was ordered to go to an aid station and receive treatment. When the barrage slackened, the platoon moved forward, exchanging small arms and grenade fire with the enemy, and it was found when the new positions were occupied that Sergeant Thompson had led his squad during the advance. Although having been ordered to remain at the aid station for more extended treatment, he had, on his own initiative, decided a rejoin his comrades and share their risk. Home address: Mr. Tony Thompson, (father), 370 Fairview Avenue, Hammonton, New Jersey.

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

Technician Fifth Grade PAUL W. BUFFINGTON, (13093168), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 10 December 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mabel N. Buffington, (mother), R.D. #1, Lykens, Pennsylvania.

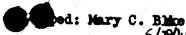
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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

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:

First Lieutenant ROSS J. ALEXANDER, (0355722), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 30 March 1945. Lieutenant Alexander was leading his platoon in an attack against an enemy-held hill when the heavy volume of fire by the defenders forced the men of the platoon to take cover. Maintaining his forward position, he covered the withdrawal of the troops by a continuous volume of carbine fire on the enemy gunners, who replied with machine gun fire and greaades until they succeeded in rendering him unconscious by the concussion of a near grenade hit. The extreme courage displayed by Lieutenant Alexander was a great inspiration to the men of his platoon. Next of kin: Mrs. Esther T. Alexander, (wife), 5828 William Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

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 Infantsy Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men for gallantry in action in the Caraballo Mountains, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 March 1945. The enemy centered a tremendous volume of artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire on a company perimeter, making the area untenable. When the remainder of the dompany withdrew, these officers and enlisted men remained behind to care for two seriously wounded soldiers, determined to rescue the two men or die with them. They carried the casualties with great care so as not to aggravate their wounds, and when the intensity of the hostile fire forced them to pause they shielded the men with their own bodies when no other cover was available. They continued their arduous progress for the period of an hour, until it was found that the two wounded soldiers had died, and then only did they take steps to secure their own safety. These officers and enlisted men gallantly risked their lives in an attempt to save wounded men:)

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Staff Sergeant HARRY C. GLENN, (34678801), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy C. Glenn, (wife), 1708 South Main, Kannapolis, North Carolina.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) EDWARD C. HOCKENBURY, (37254890), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Clarence H. Hockenbury, (father), Route #3, Arkansas City, Kansas.

Second Lieutenant GEORGE R. MC LEOD, JR., (02026983), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Nina A. McCleod, (mother), 24 Chinguapin Village, Alexandria, Virginia.

Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant) KENNETH SIRATT, (02024315), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Lena Siratt, (mother), 1000 Spring Street, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

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:

Private First Class ROBERT M. COFFELT, (37102770), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 June 1944 to 25 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude Coffelt, (mother), Route #2, Bentonville, Arkansas.

Sergeant GILBERTO-R. O'LAUGHLIN, (20645667), 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 14 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lorraine O'Laughlin, (wife), 128 Frankfort Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

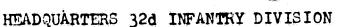
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I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

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 enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant JAMES S. CALDWELL, (35461458), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 April 1945. An attack by an infantry company across a narrow ridge was repulsed by the heavy machine gun fire of the defenders, and Sergeant Caldwell led a squad in an enveloping move designed to take the enemy in their vulnerable flank. He and another man made the hazardous, difficult ascent up the side of the ridge, carrying demolition charges and grenades. They were detected by the enemy, and machine gan and small arms fire was directed at them. Nevertheless, they successfully reached the summit and placed demolition charges and tossed grenades, with the result that the pocker was wiped out and the advance resumed. Sergeant Cald all displayed great courage and resourcefulness in this incident. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle Caldwell, (mother), Calvary, Kentucky.

Private Birst Class RAMON L. NIETO, (39584896), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 April 1945. An attack by an infantry company across a narrow bidge was repulsed by the heavy machine gun fire of the defenders, and Private Nieto accompanied a squad in an enveloping move designed to take the enemy in their vulnerable flank. He and another man made the hazardous, difficult ascent up the side of the ridge, carrying demolition charges and grenades. They were detected by the enemy, and machine gun and small arms fire was directed at them. Nevertheless, they successfully reached the summit and placed demolition charges' and tossed granades, with the result that the pocket was wiped out and the advance resumed. Private Nieto displayed great courage and resourcefulness in this incident. Home address: Mrs. Eliza F. Nieto, (wife), 920 & East 9th Street. Los Angeles. California.

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II. AWARDS 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), the Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men for heroism at Tayug, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 April 1945. A Japanese bomber made a night attack, dropping bombs in an ordnance unit area, setting off fires and explosions amongst the stored ammunition. These three men immediately manned an ambulance and raced to the scene of the conflagration. There, with complete disregard for their own safety, they made two trips i to the blazing building, evacuating a total of seven men. This brave action was performed under the threat of serious injury from the flames, exploding ammunition, and falling timbers:

Sergeant <u>FAY L. BAY</u>, (37176277), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Willard Bay, (father), Bovey, Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES L. ECKER, (20639224), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. James W. Ecker, (father), Linwood Michigan.

Staff Sergeant ALBERT M. RICHARDSON, (20638817), Medical. Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Martin Richardson, (father), 304 Frank Street, Bay City, 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, VD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant OLIVER W. LAWRENCE, (18124847), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 June 1944 to 25 March 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Hazel U. Lawrence, (wife), Route #1, Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Private First Class <u>WILLIAM J. VAN DE HOVEN</u>, (37590935), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 February 1945 to 30 April 1945. Next of kin: Mr. Cornelius Van De Hoven, (father), Carrington, North Dakota.

Private First Class MARION WOMACK, (18065355), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philipine Islands, on 8 April 1 A Japanese machine

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gun nest was blocking the advance of our troops across the crest of a hill, and Private Womack and another enlisted man crept forward over the bullet-swept terrain to within a few feet of the focal point of the enemy fire and set off demolition charges. The explosion neutralized two of the hostile machine guns and permitted the company to continue its advance. Private Womack's courageous feat contributed measurably to the taking of an important objective. Next of kin: Mrs. Sarah Ann Womack, (mother), 710 Bedford Street, Dallas, Texas.

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:

Master Sergeant THEODORE R. FRYE, (15311425), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 16 November 1944 to 6 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Leroy B. Frye, (father), 1908 East 70th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Corporal (then Private First Class) ROBERT L. HATFIELD, (37479109), Medical Department, United States Army. For heboic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 April 1945. During an enemy night barrage upon a hill occupied by our troops a shell landed in a company perimeter, seriously wounding a soldier, who began calling for aid. Corporal Hatfield, hearing the cries, crawled across the terrain being shelled and located the wounded man by the sound of his voice. He rendered first aid as best he could in the darkness and then moved him to an aid station. At the direct risk of his life, Corporal Hatfield saved the life of a wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Carol M. Hatfield, (mother), 5407 South 54th Street, Omahay, Nebraska.

Sergeant CAREL K. HENDERSON, (37102917), 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 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Myrel L. Henderson, (wife), RFD #1, Conway, Arransas.

Technician Fourth Grade EDMUND D. LEE, (37175703), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Gulnea and the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1943 to 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hattie Lee, (mother), 223 Market Street, Winona, Minnesota.

Private First Class <u>YING D. LEE</u>, (39420312), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail,

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Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 April 1945. A Japanese machine gun nest was blocking the advance of our troops across the crest of a hill, and Private Lee and another enlisted man crept forward over the bullet-swept terrain to within a few feet of the focal point of the enemy fire and set off demolition charges. The explosion neutralized two of the hostile machine guns and permitted the company to continue its advance. Private Lee's courageous feat contributed measurably to the taking of an important objective. Home address: Mrs. Mary Lee, (mother), Young Kwona Village, Canton, China.

Staff Sergeant HAROLD LENHOFF, (36109237), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 15 November 1943 to 1 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Sidney Lenhoff, (brotner), 3205 Tyler Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) RUDOLPH A. MARZION, (0540300), Chaplain's Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 March 1945 to 19 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Frank Marzion, (father), 3130 South 12th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Private First Class <u>VICTOR A. PILGRIM</u>, (20647152); 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 20 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Ralph A. Pilgrim, (father), Route #4, Box 142, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin.

Captain GAYLORD E. SHEPARD, (0360405), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 4 December 1944 to 19 December 1944. Home address: "Irs. Marie, Shepard, (wife), 2938 North Murray Avenue, Milwaukee, isconsin.

Major SIGVARD M. TWEETEN, (0411551), Chaplain's Corps, ited States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 13 January 1945 to 28 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mildred M. Tweeten, (wife), West Salem, 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:

Private EDWARD E. FULLER, (37598176), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Lawican, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 March 1945. An infantry platoon counterattacked to regain ground lost to the enemy the night before. The terrain offered little cover and the intensity of the hostile mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire made advance difficult. Private Fuller courageously worked his way forward and killed one of the Japanese who was employing a captured automatic rifle. He then crawled within twenty yards of an enemy machine gun in a gallant attempt to silence this dangerous threat, but was killed before he could attain his objective. Private Fuller's intrepidity in this action was outstanding, and reflects great credit on him. Next of kin: Mrs. Alice B. Fuller, (wife), 1166 6th Avenue, S.W., Fairboult, Minnesota.

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:

States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verdo Trail, Luzen, Philippine Islands, on 5 March 1945. In a fierce fight extending on both sides of a hill, Sergeant Baugher determined to reduce an enemy machine gun whose heavy fire was hindering our advance. His progress toward the weapon was detected, and he instantly became the target of its fire. Nevertheless, with complete disregard for his safety, he attacked with grenade and rifle fire and succeeded in knocking out the machine gun, although he was severely wounded by the explosion of an enemy grenade while so doing. Sergeant Baugher's destruction of this strong point greatly facilitated the successful conclusion of the action. Home address: Mrs. Usic C. Baugher, (mother), Route #5, Athens, Alabama.

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First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) JAMES C. LINDHOLM, (02037072), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 21 March 1945 to 30 March 1945. Lieutenant Lindholm established an observation post at a point considerably in advance of his company's perimeter to direct mortar fire on enemy positions. During the period of eight days, he made numerous trips from the perimeter to the observation post, on several occasions running a gauntlet of heavy machine gun and small arms fire. In spite of the constant hazard to which he was subjected, he made accurate observations which caused mortar fire to be effectively placed on the enemy positions. The achievements of Lieutenant Lindholm were directly responsible for the reduction of a great number of enemy strong points. Home address: Mrs. Edna Lindholm, (mother), 1421 Fifth Avenue, North Great Falls, Montana.

Private First Class RAYMOND C. F. MUELLER, (38346979), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Imagan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 April 1945. Private Mueller was a member of a small outpost subjected to a night attack by a superior Japanese force. Private Mueller bore the brunt of the attack, exchanging grenade fire with the enemy and forcing them back. When his supply of grenades ran low, he exposed himself to heavy fire in order to obtain an additional number and promptly resumed his highly hazardous post. Private Mueller's outstanding intrepidity was largely responsible for saving the outpost from being overwhelmed by the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Mueller, (mother), Route #1, Sagerton, Texas.

Private First Class WILLIAM E. ROSSON, (34990580), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 March 1945. Private Rosson moved forward alone along a ridge to prepare the way for an attack by his platoon upon the entrenched enemy at the far end. Standing erect, he fearlessly swept the Japanese foxholes with heavy fire from his automatic rifle, forcing the enemy to take cover and permitting cur forces to advance. When another group of the enemy made a flanking move to the right, Private Rosson again exposed himself, drawing the major portion of the hostile fire, and once more enabling the platoon to advance. Private Rosson's exceptional courage under direct, heavy fire made possible the storming of the hostile positions and the killing of at least fifteen of the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Ludie R. Rosson, (wife), Parsons, 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 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 I ugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 21

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March 1945 to 30 March 1945. These three men alternated over a period of eight days in accompanying an officer to a forward observation post to direct mortar fire against the enemy. During the trips back and forth from the perimeter to the post, they were often exposed to the hazard of hostile machine gun and small arms fire. Frequently communication lines were cut by enemy artillery fire, and it was necessary to go forth at night and run the risk of meeting infiltrating Japanese patrols in order to repair the wires. The courageous services of these three men directly contributed to the placing of accurate mortar fire that destroyed several enemy strong points.

Staff Sergeant JAMES R. MERTAUGH, (39858601), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Laura O. Mcrtaugh, (mother), 732 East Tombstone Canyon, Bisbee, Arizona.

Staff Sergeant PAUL E. TURNER, (34288827), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary J. Turner, (mother), Route #2, Maryville, Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant HARVEY E. WHALEY, (34881091), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. John W. Whaley, (father), General Delivery, Middleton, Tennessee.

IV. AWARDS OF THE FRONZE 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:

Sergeant JOHN F. SCHUSTER, JR., (36202309), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands, from 15 August 1944 to 25 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Johanna Schuster, (mother), 1134 Osborn Avenue, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Major (then Captain) LESTER SEGAL, (0421439), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in Papua from 1 November 1942 to 25 November 1942. Home address: Mrs. Julia Segal, (wife), 2631 Jackson Street, N.E., Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Master Sergeant LEWIS N. STUECK, (20652340), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 June 1944 to 1 April

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1945. Home address: Mr. Fred C. Stucck, (father), 608 Shaurette Street, Stevens Point, Wisconsin.

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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 enlisted men:

Private First Class <u>ERNEST A. FERRIERA</u>, (39015246), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine 1 lands, on 3 April 1945. Private Ferriera was one of a number of scouts reconnoitering along a narrow ridge when the enemy opened up with automatic and small arms fire from concealed positions, seriously wounding one of the scouts. The order was given to withdraw, and the men fell back to the far side of the ridge, with the exception of Private Ferriera, who moved forward to the side of the casualty and began dragging him in the direction of a declivity. The enemy instantly concentrated their fire on the moving figures, and before he could attain his objective he was struck and killed. Without thought for self, Private Ferriera sacrificed his life in an attempt to rescue a wounded comrade. Next of kin: Mrs. Jayne Ferriera, (wife), 5901 Burlingame Avenue, Richmond, California.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) EDWARD A. KOLARICH, (32356658), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Darawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 March 1945. An attack by an infantry company encountered unexpectedly strong enemy resistance, and when the company commander was killed by a burst of machine gun fire, there was great danger that the men would become disorganized. Aware of the urgency of the situation, Sergeant Kolarich exposed himself to the heavy fire to move among the men, encouraging them to maintain their positions. At the approach of dark ass he organized an orderly evacuation to the former perimeter and stayed forward, subject to the continuing hostile fire, unvil satisfied that the last man had withdrawn. Sergeant Kolarich's courageous and cool leadership saved an exceptionally dangerous situation. Next of kin: Mr. Joseph Kolarich, (father), 70 Howard Street, North Tarrytown, New York.

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:

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Captain WARREN I. BARTELS, (0373194), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 April 1945. It was necessary to place machine gun fire on a mountain trail to keep enemy strong points from being reinforced, and Captain Bartels crawled forward alone to scout out the most advantageous sites for the automatic weapons. Thile making these observations he was in extreme danger from the hostile fire, and he exposed himself again to supervise the emplacement of two heavy machine guns at the points he had chosen. Subsequently the enemy made three attempts in strength to reinforce their strong points, but were repulsed in all three cases by the commanding fire of the two machine guns. Captain Bartels' action expedited the eventual neutralization of the enemy's resistance in the area. Home address: Mrs. Agnes M. Bartels, (wife), 58 ½ Carr Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Private First Class JAMES D. CANNON, (38310153), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Mount Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 April 1945. A Japanese infiltration party set up a machine gun and opened fire on the area of a battalion command post. Private Cannon, hearing the cries of a wounded soldier at an outpost, left the aid station and crawled up a narrow path which crossed the enemy's fire lane and treated the wounded man. Then dragging the casualty with him, he made the hazardous return trip through the focal point of the nostile fire and brought the wounded soldier to the aid station. At great risk to himself Private Cannon undoubtedly saved the life of a wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. James D. Cannon, (wife), Denham Springs, Louisiana.

Private First Class JAMES P. REA, (6879582), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 April 1945. One enemy bunker remained on a ridge in the process of being occupied by an infantry company, and the men, exhausted from their previous exertions, were reluctant to begin this last assault. Private Rea, determined that the company's mission should be completely accomplished, exhorted the men to follow his lead. He then charged the hostile strong point, firing his weapon as he ran. A large number of the men, inspired by his example, followed closely behind, placing a heavy volume of fire on the entrenched Japanese. The position was stormed, a considerable number of the enemy were killed, and several automatic weapons captured. Private Rea's extreme gallantry was the direct cause of the elimination of the hostile strong point. Home address: Mrs. Mary Rea, (mother), 403 Herkimer Street, Syracuse, New York.

Private First Class <u>RICHARD L. ROWE</u>, (35929522), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 April 1945. The progress of our troops was retarded by a well dug-in enemy machine gun whose fire swept the narrow ridge which was the only approach. Private

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Rowe, armed with grenades, crawled forward alone to destroy the nest. His advance was detected and the enemy centered heavy fire upon him, but with utter indifference to his own safety he crawled to within a few feet of the objective and then threw grenades, destroying the defenders. This action of Private Rowe enabled his platoon to continue its advance without suffering undue casualty. Home address: Mrs. Lillian B. Rowe, (mother), 2913 West Woodhill Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Technical Sergeant ARTHUR P. WOLLMANN, (37260607), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 March 1945. When a large number of Japanese were driven from a wooded declivity, they attacked in an attempt to break through the line of an infantry company. During the fighting, Sergeant Wollmann detected two of the enemy crawling through an opening in the line and killed them; then, in an exchange of grenades with another group, he killed three more while he himself narrowly escaped injury. He then opened fire with his carbine and accounted for at least four more of the enemy. Sergeant Wollmann displayed exceptional courage throughout this engagement. Home address: Mrs. Mary P. Wollmann, (mother), R.F.D. #3, Freeman, South Dakota.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM M. WOODS, (34382874), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18, 20, and 26 November 194%. Sergeant Woods distinguished himself on three separate occasions by tending to the wounded while enemy shells were landing in the area. On the first date he fearlessly rushed into the open, and although rendered unconscious by the concussion of an exploding shell, he recovered to aid the wounded during the continuous bombardment. He underwent the same great risk on the subsequent days, and was of great service to several soldiers wounded by the severe enemy artillery fire. Sergeant Woods' courageous actions were undoubtedly responsible for the saving of many of the casualties. Home address: Mrs. Eunice Woods, (wife), Box 194, Lockhart, South Carolina.

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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 enlisted men:

Private First Class ELMER E BARNES, (32267100), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Talibaw, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 December 1944. Private Barnes, while serving as lead scout of a patrol, detected an enemy pillbox and advanced with his rocket launcher to destroy the emplacement. The only feasible approach was a direct frontal one, and he crawled forward, with machine gun bullets from the pillbox striking on all sides of him, to a point 35 yards from the objective. From there he scored two direct hits with his rocket launcher, destroying the two machine guns within and killing the five Japanese defenders. Private Barnes' highly courageous action removed a dangerous threat to our forces. Next of kin: Mrs. Mamie Barnes, (mother), Bank Street, Medford, New Jersey.

Private CLIFFORD G BEAVIS, (36696553), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Talibaw, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 16 and 20 December 1944. An enemy tank was directing cannon fire at our positions, and Private Beavis moved forward with his rocket launcher to within range and knocked out the tank with two direct hits. Shortly afterwards he detected and destroyed an enemy heavy artillery piece. On the second date, while serving as a lead scout for a combat patrol, he was wounded by an enemy machine gun. Incapacitated as he was, he made no move to withdraw and exchanged fire with the enemy weapon until he was killed. Private Beavis exhibited exceptional intrepidity in all of those actions. Next of kin: Mrs. Alice H. Beavis, (mother), 128 Elmhurst Street, Crystal Lake, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade HERBERT R SEIGLER, (34128374), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 March 1945. Technician Seigler was a member of a platoon ordered to occupy a stretch of high ground defended by a number of enemy machine gun positions. The withering fire of the enemy momentarily halted the attack, but Technician Seigler pressed forward alone, firing his automatic rifle. Although wounded, he continued to operate his weapon with deadly effect upon the enemy, inflicting many casualties, and so disorganizing their defences that the platoon was able to sweep forward and crush all resistance. Next of kin: Mrs. Maggie

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Seigler, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Round "0", South Carolina.

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 officers and enlisted men:

Sergeant HERMAN J FRITZ, (36564783), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Pastoren, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 February 1945. Sergeant Fritz and three guerrillas undertook to ascend an exceptionally steep ridge and recover the bodies of two soldiers killed in a previous engagement. After a two hour arduous climb, made exceptionally hazardous by the continuous fire of Japanese snipers from a neighboring ridge and the possibility of slipping on the difficult terrain and falling to certain death below, they attained the summit. They then lowered the bodies by means of ropes to other men waiting at the bottom of the ridge. Sergeant Fritz risked his life so that the bodies of two comrades could be given decent burial. Home address: Mrs. Elsie Fritz, (mother), 15319 Prest, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), ROBERT D LEOW, (36208630), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 Movember 1944. The enemy shelled a battery area, inflicting many casualties, and Techni-Leow's services were employed to evacuate the wounded by vehicle. As he was leaving the area a shell burst in front of the vehicle, exploding a tire and badly jolting the occupants, but in spite of this and the ever present danger of a second shell hit, he jumped from the cab and promptly made the necessary repairs. He drove all afternoon under intense fire, and did not slacken his efforts until all the wounded had been evacuated. Technician Leow's courageous action undoubtedly saved the lives of several wounded. Home address: Mrs. Sophic Leow, (mother), 2164A South 5th Place, Mil-waukee, Wisconsin.

Captain HENRY J VANDAL, (0339744), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Colibong, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12, 16, and 20 March 1945. When a Japanese attack on his company perimeter assumed threatening proportions, Captain Vandal moved about under heavy fire, exhorting the men and inspiring them by his example of courage under fire to rally and repulse the enemy. On a second occasion his leadership was again instrumental in defeating a large scale attack. On the third date he led a plateon in an attack on an enemy-held hill and drove the Japanese from ground they had won shortly before. Captain Vandal's gallant and aggressive leadership served as an inspiration to his men. Home address: Mrs. Mary Low Vandal, (wife), 120 Wyoming Avenue, Billings, Montana.

First Lieutenant JAMES T VELLS, (01301732), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde

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Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 and 8 March 1945. Lieutenant Wells was given the mission of leading a company in an assault against a hill defended by a series of strong enemy emplacements. The attack met heavy machine gun and small arms fire, and he was wounded twice in the early stages of the fighting. Refusing evacuation for his wounds, he pressed the advance the succeeding day and, owing in great measure to his capable and daring leadership, the objective was occupied and considerable loss inflicted on the enemy. Lieutenant Wells' refusal to accept evacuation so that he might continue to lead his men is evidence of his highly developed sense of responsibility. Home address: Mrs. Bertha E. Wolls, (mother), 123 West 92nd Street, Los Angeles, California.

Captain HERBER! C WOODSON, (0292667), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Tra. . Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 30 April and 1 May 1945. The enemy placed intensive artillery and mortar fire on a hill occupied by our forces, inflicting many casualties and rendering the sole supply route almost unusable. Captain Woodson led a supply train a distance of 800 yards along this path to the troops isolated on the The party was under fire all the way and narrowly escaped injury from near misses by the enemy's mortars. From this point he supervised the evacuation of wounded personnel and then went on to a forward supply area. As he was directing the distribution of supplies there, the enemy attacked in strength. He instantly deployed his men for defense, and under his cool and courageous leadership the attackers were driven off. Captain Woodson's behavior during these incidents reflects great credit on him. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth C. Woodson, (wife), 230 East Davis Street, Decatur, Georgia.

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

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

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9/19, 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 officer:

First Lieutenant WILLIAM E MURRAY, (01312646), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 23 April 1944 to 27 April 1945. During the period, Lieutenant Murray led his rifle platoon in numerous attacks against strong enemy positions. Aggressive in manner and always in the forefront of the attack, his missions were consistently successful. Lieutenant Murray's competent leadership under fire, and the services rendered by him through numerous reconnaissances in enemy territory contributed greatly to the achievements of his organization. Next of kin Mrs. Mary W. Lurray, (wife), 49 Temple Street, Rutland, Vermont.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant Clarence Hale by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, General Orders No. 69, dated 6 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:

States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colibong, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 March 1945. Sergeant Hale's squad was the leading element in an attack by his platoon against a strong enemy force. He skillfully deployed his men for the action, and while in the process of directing his squad he was wounded in several places by an enemy grenade. After having his wounds dressed, Sergeant Hale insisted upon returning to the scene of the action, asserting that the squad was understrength and that all men were needed. Ignoring his totally disabled right arm, Sergeant Hale moved boldly amongst his men, spurring them on to greater efforts until the mission was successfully completed. Home address: Mr. Roy Hale, (father), RFD #1, Lake Mills, Wisconsin.

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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 officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant JOHN W ADEMA, (39015662), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 10 July 1944 to 21 March 1945. Sergeant Adema has repeatedly advanced beyond the most forward elements, thereby exposing himself to heavy hostile fire, to more accurately direct effective mortar fire on enemy positions. During an action in the Leyte campaign he successfully laid a heavy smoke screen by which aid our troops were able to advance over open terrain without unduc casualties. By his outstanding skill at directing mortar fire, and his willingness to enter into hazardous zones where he could employ that skill most effectively, Sergeant Adema materially aided his unit in combat operations against the enemy. Home address: Mr. William Adema, (father), 3507 East 15th Street, Long Beach California.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class) THADDEUS V BOURGEOIS, (7000663), Medical Department, United State Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 23 April 1944 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hattie Bourgeois, (mother), 3142 Laurel Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

First Lieutenant GEORGE O BOURNE, (02035290), 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 5 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elsie I. Bourne, (mother), 3526 N.E. 63rd Street, Portland, Oregon.

First Lieutenant ELMER G COON, (01686262), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 March 1945. An ammunition bearer was wounded by enemy machine gun fire, and Lieutenant Coon immediately went to his aid. In order to reach the casualty it was necessary to cross terrain swept by hostile fire, and he was under fire as well while administering first aid to the wounded soldier. Having evacuated the man to a safer locality, he organized a litter train to carry all the wounded to an aid station in the rear. Under cover of darkness he led the carriers over a trail subjected to hostile fire and successfully reached the objective. Lieutenant Coon ran great risk to assist wounded soldiers. Home address: Mr. George C. Coon, (father), Route #2, Black Creek, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant FRED CORVINUS, (39292907), 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 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs.

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Clare M. Corvinus, (mother), 5200 Orange Avenue, San Diego, California.

Corporal CHARLES M DEATON, (37624180), 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 25 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Ruben J. Deaton, (father), R.F.D. #2, St. Clair, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade VIRGIL E HUGMEYER, (20635918), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Fallippine Islands, on 2 February 1945. When enemy artillery fire caused many casualties in a company area, Technician Hugmeyer helped load several of the wounded can in his vehicle and drove them to the aid station. In order to reach this point it was necessary to drive along a road on which enemy shalls were landing. During a second trip his vehicle was struck by shell fire, and he was forced to remove the vehicle for repairs. Technician Hugmeyer's heroic determination rendered great service to our wounded. Home address: Mrs. Vivian Nixon, (mother), 335 Scott Avenue N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

First Lieutenant GEORGE C JACOBSEN, (02035332), 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 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Shirley L. Jacobsen, (wife), 55 'O'Grady Street, Albert Park, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.

Technical Sergeant ALLEN A JAHSMAN, (20645628), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasian Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 1 December 1944. Enemy artillery placed a barrage on an area occupied by an anti-tank unit, and the position rapidly became untenable. The order was given to withdraw, and Sergeant Jahsman, in the absence of the regular platoon leader, took over his role. He moved about in the exposed area, giving all orders necessary for the removal of the anti-tank guns and bringing order and system to a situation that had threatened to become extremely discrganized. Although shells continued to explode in near proximity to him, he at no time sought shelter. Sergeant Jahsman's calmness and efficiency were communicated to the men, who completed the withdrawal in orderly fashion. Home address: Mrs. Reside Jahsman, (mother), Manewa, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant VTICENT J LOVERGAM, (01318614), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 15 August 1944 to 1 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn F. Lonergan, (wife), 1223 East Prarie Street, Decatur, Illinois.

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AWARD OF THE SILVER 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), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Captain (then First Lieutenant) JULIUS A. SAKAS, (01299796), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 March 1945. A sizable force of the enemy held a strategic hill, the possession of which was indispensable to the further advance of our troops. Captain Sakas led the first assault platoon and spearheaded the drive of his men up the crest of the hill. The enemy resisted fiercely, defending themselves with automatic weapon and small arms fire, grenades, and land mines exploded by the concussion of grenades. In spite of these obstacles, Captain Sakas pushed the attack aggressively, directing the fire of his men and coordinating their action. His inspired leadership brought the platoon through to its objective with a minimum of casualties to our troops and with heavy loss to the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Sakas, (mother), 97 Van Houten Avenue, Passaic, New Jersey.

II. AWARDS OF THE PRONZE 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:

Private First Class <u>LELAND F. BRAUN</u>, (36856787), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 March 1945 to 26 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Carrie Lee Coffey, (mother), 3232 Shields Street, Knozville, Tennessee.

Private First Class FRANCIS C. FORD, (32740367), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 March 1945 to 26 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Ford, (mother), 643 2nd Avenue, Watervliet, New York.

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Private First Class <u>JOSEPH GAROFALO</u>, (32994487), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 March 1945 to 26 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nancy Garofalo, (wife), 203 Himrod Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Private First Class (then Private) ROBERT F. KEISER, (39584058), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 March 1945 to 26 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gladys Nora Hilton, (mother), General Delivery, Ora Grande, California.

Private First Class ROBERT W. KESSENER, (32960308), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 March 1945 to 26 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Kessener, (wife), c/b L. M. Bellis, 51 Perry Avenue, Meiers Corners, Staten Island, New York.

Sergeant HAROLD J. POLSKIN, (32558693), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 20 November 1944 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ida A. Polskin, (mother), 630 West Front Street, Plainfield, New Jersey.

Private First Class SANTO SILIPIGNI, (31243246), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 February 1945 to 26 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Antonio Silipigni, (father), 306 Veazie Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Private First Class JOHN H. SNYDER, JR., (36515829), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 February 1945 to 26 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pearl Snyder, (mother), 14252 Sorento Street, Detroit, Michigan.

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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 1044 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Livision, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class WILLIAM R. LINDSAY, (37231053), Infantry, United States Army. For Aeroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 March 1945. In an attack along a high ridge, a platoon split into two parts, one on each side of the trail. As a result of the enemy's intense machine gun and small arms fire all the non-commissioned officers on Private Lindsay's side were killed or wounded and he, although himself wounded, took command of the disorganized personnel and readied them to repulse a possible counterattack. Sebsequently, as a result of his energetic measures, the platoon was able to continue with its mission. Private Lindsay displayed outstanding initiative and aggressiveness in this action. Next of kin: Mr. William Lindsay, (father), Tarkie, Missouri.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Third Grade Felix E. Appleby, Jr., by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section III, Ceneral Orders No. 65, dated 5 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:

Technician Third Grade FELIX E. APPLEBY, JR., (36209496), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 March 1945. Technician Appleby and another enlisted man left their aid station under cover of darkness to reach an aid station several hundred yards closer to the scene of action. At this time the enemy was subjecting the area between the two stations to heavy bombardment,

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and their passage over the difficult terrain was made extremely hazardous by the hostile artillery and mortar fire. With complete disregard for their safety, they pressed forward and reached their objective. Technician Appleby exposed himself to great risk in order to aid the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Maude Appleby, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Box 391, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Fourth Grade Louis Lakin by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section III, General Orders No. 65, dated 5 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, Fulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 March 1945. Technician Lakin and another enlisted man left their aid station under cover of darkness to reach an aid station several hundred yards closer to the scene of action. At this time the enemy was subjecting the area between the two stations to heavy bombardment, and their passage over the difficult terrain was made extremely hazardous by the hostile artillery and mortar fire. With complete disregard for their safety, they pressed forward and reached their objective. Technician Lakin exposed himself to great risk in order to aid the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Sylvia Lakin, (wife), 1800 West 5th Avenue, Gary, Indiana.

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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 April 1945. The enemy attacked a battalion area with heavy mortar fire, causing many casualties. At the commencement of the bombardment these three enlisted men immediately left the relative security of a nearby aid station to rush to the area being shelled. There, without thought for their extreme hazard from the continuing violent barrage, they capably administered first aid to the wounded and assisted in their evacuation to the aid station. The ministrations of these three men undoubtedly saved the lives of several of the wounded.

Technician Third Grade RALPH J. CALIENDO, (39016517), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs.Loretta Caliendo, (mother), 4650 West Florence Avenue, Bell, California.

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Technician Third Grade <u>WILLARD W. KING</u>, (13117823), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Carrie King, (mother), Route #1, Box 40, Salem, Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD E. LUND, (16100374), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Francis Hickox, (mother), 4005 West Grenshaw Street, Chicago, Illinois.

V. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MELAL:

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 RAUL B. LOPEZ, (39080720), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 April 1945. An infantry company was establishing a perimeter on a newly won hill when an enemy heavy machine gun opened fire at short range. Sergeant Lopez immediately crawled several yards to a light machine gun and answered the fire of the enemy, thereby enabling our troops to withdraw safely to a more secure point. His accurate and continuous fire soon forced the enemy to withdraw their weapon, thus permitting our men to return to their original positions. Sergeant Lopez' courageous behavior under fire ended a dangerous threat to his company. Home address: Mr. Rafale Lopez, (father), 116 South Wall Street, Stockton, California.

Staff Sergeant ALBERT F. MANCUSO, (42012891), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 30 March 1945. Sergeant Mancuso was in charge of a patrol sent to reconnoiter for a passable route to a hill of strategic value. Having found such a route, the patrol was forced to defend it under the heavy machine gun and small arms fire of the enemy. There was imminent danger that the Japanese would attack and overwhelm the small patrol, but Sergeant Mancuso sent word via radio to his unit that he would hold until the arrival of reinforcements, and did maintain the position until reinforced. Sergeant Mancuso's courageous leadership made possible the occupation of an important objective. Home address: Mrs. Florence Mancuso, (mother), 288 Summer Avenue, Newark, New Jersey.

Master Sergeant FRANKLIN G. STECHER, (38062456), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 March 19-5 to 18 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mildred Stecher, (wife), 257 Los Flores Drive, Bakersfield, California.

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Captain ERIC R. WALLER, (0392478), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 8 April 1945 to 8 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eric R. Waller, (wife), Box 707, Winnfield, Louis ana.

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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:

Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Tebbo Village, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 March 1945. When word was received that a soldier had been wounded and was lying at the far edge of the perimeter, Technician Agner and another enlisted man promptly left the aid station and went to his assistance. Fully aware of the extreme danger of the man's exposed location, they hastened to his side and had begun to carry him to safety when the enemy fired a burst of machine gun fire that killed the casualty and wounded the two men. Technician Agner willingly risked his life in an attempt to rescue a wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Isaac Agner, (mother), Route 2, Milan, Michigan.

Corporal WILLIAM H. ASBURY, (37181092), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Tebbo Village, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 March 1945. When word was received that a soldier had been wounded and was lying at the far edge of the perimeter, Corporal Asbury and another enlisted man promptly left the first aid station and went to his assistance. Fully aware of the extreme danger of the man's exposed location, they hastened to his side and had begun to carry him to safety when the enemy fired a burst of machine gun fire that killed the casualty and wounded the two men. Corporal Asbury willingly risked his life in an attempt to rescue a wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Joan Asbury, (wife), 1920 North Boomville, Stringfield, Missouri.

Private First Class (then Private) MILTON C. PASYE, (34871925), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 28 November 1944. Private Bayse's company was attacked by a large number of the enemy who, firing machine guns from high ground, inflicted a number of casualties. Private Bayse and two other men engaged in a flanking attack against the enemy positions, neutralizing one hostile machine gun and killing several of the enemy. Private Bayse gallantly pressed the attack and did not withdraw until his two companions had been killed.

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His courageous action saved his company from sustaining further casualties. Home address: Mrs. W. E. Bayse, (mother), PFD #1, Jackson, Mississippi.

Private First Class HAROLD CONDON, (35422969), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 April 1945. The hospital ward tent in which Private Condon was working was raked by the fire of enemy machine guns, wounding two of the patients. The firing continued and he, without thought for his own safety, worked energetically moving those of the inmates who were unable to aid themselves to the security of nearby trenches and sand bag emplacements. Private Condon's devotion to his patients undoubtedly saved many of them from injury by the machine gun fire. Home address: Mrs. Alice Condon, (mother), 584 Townsend Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade HAROLD M. DOUGHERTY, (36208575), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 2 June 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Dougherty, (mother), 5715 21st Avenue, Kenosha, Misconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade STEPHEN P. GIZA, (32556872), Médical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 April 1945. The hespital ward tent in which Technician Giza was working was raked by the fire of enemy machine guns, wounding two of the patients. The firing continued, and he, without thought for his own safety, worked energetically moving those of the inmates who were unable to aid themselves to the security of nearby trenches and sand bag emplacements. Technician Giza's devotion to his patients undoubtedly saved many of them from injury by the machine gun fire. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Giza, (wife), 61 Bostwick Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey.

Second Lieutenant LEFREN L. IVERSON, (02007764), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 10 March 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Iverson, (mother), 409 Main Street, Sausalito, California.

Sorgeant HAROLD J. KORTH, (37266750), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with ministery operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 14 February 1945 to 18 May 1945. Home address: Mr. William Korth, (father), Humphrey, Nobraska.

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Technician Fifth Grade JOHN J. MURRAY, (39003237), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 April 1945. The enemy placed heavy mortar fire on positions occupied by our troops, wounding one man severely. Technician Murray immediately left the safety of his foxhole to move the man to a more secure position. He then exposed himself again to the heavy barrage to obtain necessary first aid equipment, and returning to the fox hole tended the c. sualty's wound. The prompt and courageous action of Technician Murray undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded man. Home address: Mrs. Julia Murray, (mother), 706 Diamond Street, S m Francisco, California.

Staff Sergeant FRANK T. REMIK, (36311074), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 24 April 1945 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Renik, (mother), 212 East Manila Street, West Frankfort, Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade COSMO R. RIEVELLO, (39012323), Chemi al Warfare Service, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 14 February 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence E. Rievello, (mcther), 806 Clement Street, San Francisco, California.

Second Lieutenant JAMES L. SEARING, (02024294), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 14 February 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth O'Brien, (mother), 7007 7th Northwest, Seattle, Washington.

Scriccant VICTOR A. SCHEETZ, (20938098), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 14 February 1945 to 12 May 1945. When the forward observation officer was wounded and subsequently evacuated, Sergeant Scheetz took over his duties and capably directed mortar fire for a period of seventy two hours, a considerable portion of which he was under the artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire of the enemy. In spite of the heavy responsibility of his position and the physical hazard he was subjected to, Sergeant Scheetz rendered exceptional service in the combat operations against the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Dan Dastman, (sister), 7925 Southeast, Reed College Place, Portland, Oregon.

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I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to First Lieutenant Roy A. Glisson by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 4, Section III, 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 the act of Congress approved 9 July 1913 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant ROY A. GLISSON, (01299730), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 April 1945. An infantry battalion had captured the crest of a hill, but were prevented from continuing down the slope by the intense volume of machine gun fire issuing from a ravine at the base of the hill. Lieutenant Glisson was in command of the assault platoon sent to reduce this obstacle, and he pressed the attack vigorously. Under his capable direction a strongly emplaced pill box was destroyed by the action of flamethrowers, and machine gun positions in the mouths of caves were blasted and sealed by demolition charges. In order to supervise and coordinate the various actions it was necessary for Lieutenant Glisson to expose himself to the heavy and desperate fire of the defenders. In spite of this constant hazard, he courageously led his men until the mission had been successfully accomplished. Home address: Mrs. Ollie Glisson, (mother), 527 'B' Street, Lakeworth, Florida.

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 (then Second Lieutenant) EDWARD J. KULLAS, (01686343), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. The medical collecting station at which Lieutenant Kullas was working was unexpectedly subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire which endangered the lives of the litter patients awaiting evacuation. He promptly determined on an adequately protected locality and then, although shells were exploding in the

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area over which he moved, he coolly and vigorously directed the transfer of the patients to this safer point. He twice re-entered the station building, which had been severely damaged and was still a contral target, to obtain vitally needed medical supplies. He then fearlessly stood on the road, without any cover whatsoever, and directed the loading of the patients on vehicles for transportation to the rear. Lieutenant Kullss' initiative, capable direction, and courageous behavior saved a large number of patients from further injury. Home address: Mrs. Amelia M. Kullas, (mother), 43 Park Street, Taunton, Massachusetts.

Sergeant AUBREY H. LORD, (37102892), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Valdez, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 March 1945. Sergeant Lord was leading his squad in an attack against a strongly defended hill when he received a headwound that forced him to withdraw for medical treatment. He then resumed his place in the line, and was leading his men capably when he noted a wounded soldier lying helpless and exposed to the intense enemy machine gun fire. He immediately went to his aid and was gallantly attempting to drag the casualty to a position of safety when he received a disabling wound that rendered him powerless to drag the man any further. Sergeant Lord's fortitude and courage were outstanding in this action. Home address: Mrs. Louie M. Lord, (mother), Florence, Arkansas.

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:

Captain ROBERT L. DAHME, (0382152), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 8 April 1945 to 26 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dolores K. Dahmo, (wife), 444 West St. James Place, Chicago, Illinois.

Corporal JEROME L. DESCHLER, (36208770), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea, the Netherlands Cast Indies, and the Philippine Islands from 27 June 1944 to 24 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Deschler, (mother), 4109 Spring Street, Racine, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant GARLAND C. HABEL, (01534984), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 15 April 1945 to 14 May 1945. Home address: Dr. James M. Habel, (father), Jetersville, Virginia.

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First Sorgeant (then Sergeant) JOHN F. HANLON, (20116154), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Grace A. Deacy, (aunt), 287 Fellsway West Medford, Massachusetts.

Corporal ROBERT D. SWAVELY, (33027875), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edith Swavely, (mother), 4 Henry Street, Pottsdown, Pennsylvania.

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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 man:

Second Lieutenant ELMER S. GEIK, (01690935), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 April 1945. Lieutenant Geik led a squad of litter bearers through enemy artillery and machine gun fire to the forward scene of the action. Having dispatched the other bearers to the rear with their burdens, he, assisted by a bearer, was forced to use a dangerously exposed route to evacuate the last of the wounded. He proceeded along the sky line of a bald ridge, under the intense fire of enemy machine gnnners who concentrated their fire on the group until they reached a declivity where it was possible to pause and administer blood plasma to the casualty. Lieutenant Geik voluntarily ran the gauntlet of heavy fire to save the life of a wounded soldier. Home address: Mr. Sam Geik, (father), 352 Ohio Street, Benton Harbor, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant OSCAR M. MORALES, (38034929), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Afra, New Guinea, on 20 July 1944. Sergeant Morales was a member of a five man outpost given the mission of protecting the company perimeter from being infiltrated by the enemy. A large force of Japanese attacked the outpost without warning, and the danger developed that the enemy would bypass their section and press forward with the attack. Sergeant Morales ordered the others to withdraw to a more defensible position, and then, noting that one of the men was wounded and unable to retreat under his own power, he unhesitatingly crawled under fire to the wounded soldier and dragged him to safety. To accomplish this it was necessary to crawl within ten yards of the attackers. Sergeant Morales and his men continued their defense from the new position until the enemy withdrew, thereby reliaving the dangerous threat to the company perimeter. Home address: Mrs. Maria A. Morales, (aunt), 907 Zaragosa Street, Laredo, Texas.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain Paul R. Benjamin by the Commanding

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General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, General Orders No. 91, dated 20 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:

Captain PAUL R. BENJAMIN, (0372574), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucille C. Benjamin, (wife), 10 Walnut Street, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania.

III. AMARDS 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 warrant officer and enlisted men:

Technician Fourth-Grade PAUL Q. DINGER, (36207178), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 27 January 1945 to 28 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Georgia Shafer, (mother), Route #1, Sparta, Wisconsin.

Harrant Officer Junior Grade <u>BENJAMIN EIA</u>, (W2114962), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 19 December 1944 to 8 May 1945. Home address: Mr. George Ela, (father), Rochester, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT A. KOZLIK, (36208694), 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. John Kozlik, (father), R.F.D. #3, Box 66, Racine, Wisconsin.

Master Sergeant GORDON J. ROBERTSON, (37111519), Finance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 20 February 1944 to 31 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucy Robertson, (mother), 708 4th Avenue, Oskaloosa, Iowa.

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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:

Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Fe, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 February 1945. Sergeant Kreuser, an artillery observer with an infantry company, attached himself to an advance platoon of that company and assisted in the establishing of positions ten yards below the crest of a hill occupied by the enemy on the far side. Having heard the report of a scout that an enemy mortar was standing unattended on the Japanese side of the height, he and the scout fearlessly moved over the crest and down the slope, returning with the weapon. They made a second trip to search for mortar ammunition, but this time were driven back by heavy grenade and small arms fire. Sergeant Kreuser showed great courage in venturing into hostile territory to deprive the enemy of a weapon that almost certainly would have been used against our troops. Home address: Mrs. Francis Kreuser, (mother), 3742 North 11th Lane, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Third Grade CARL LEICHWISE, (36110982), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Colibong, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 March 1945. The enemy placed a heavy artillery barrage on our positions, wounding Technician Leichwise along with several other men. Disregarding his own wound, he moved about in the open, tending the casualties, and when the enemy began to move in on the position he and another man directed the evacuation of the wounded. After all the known wounded were accounted for, the two men further exposed themselves to carefully check each foxhole for casualties that might have been overlooked. Technician Leichwise displayed exceptional fortitude and courage in this action. Home address: Mr. Édward Murphy, Jr., (friend), Milner Hotel, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Major ANTON J. SCHRAMEL, (0346749), Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Colasion Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 November 1944. Major Schramel was at a forward command post when a barrage was laid down by the enemy, causing a large number of casualties. With complete disregard for

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his own safety he moved about in the open, tending to the wounded, while shells continued to burst in the area. When all the casualties had been treated, he directed the evacuation of the litter cases, and by his calm and efficient orders caused the wounded to be moved promptly and safely to a secure location. Major Schramel's ministrations and guidance rendered great aid to the casualties and saved them from further injury. Home address: Mrs. Hazel Schramel, (wife), 833 North Cahuenga Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

Staff Sergeant FRANCIS J. STODDARD, (36162323), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Colibong, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 March 1945. The enemy placed a heavy artillery barrage on our positions, wounding Sergeant Stoddard along with several other men. Disregarding his own wound, he moved about in the open, tending the casualties, and when the enemy began to move in on the position he and another man directed the evacuation of the wounded. After all the known wounded were accounted for, the two men further exposed themselves to carefully check each foxhole for casualties that might have been overlooked. Sergeant Stoddard displayed exceptional fortitude and courage in this action. Home address: Mrs. Iva Stoddard, (mother), 1661 Madison Avenue, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal Lwarded to First Lieutenant Henry P. Korman 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 HENRY P. KORMAN, (01686309), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 31 January 1945 to 9 May 1945. Flights on reconnaissance and observation were made in an unarmored liaison plane, often in inclement weather, over territory where enemy fire was encountered. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Korman, (mother), Olivia, Minnesota.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the Fresident, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant Albert I. Weisskopf 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

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Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942). The citation is as fellows:

First Licutenant <u>ALBERT I. WEISSKOFF</u>, (01178665), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 31 January 1945 to 9 May 1945. Flights on reconnaissance and observation were made in an unarmored liaison plane, often in inclement weather, over territory where enemy fire was encountered. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Weisskopf, (mother), 845 Oakdale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

IV. 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:

First Lieutenant EDWARD J. MATUSZKO, (Ol183360), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 27 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Flights on reconnaissance, observation, and air dropping missions were made in an unarmored liaison plene, often in inclement weather, over territory where enemy fire was encountered. Home address: Mr. Joseph A.Matuszko, (father), Box 166, R.F.D #3, Amherst, Massachusetts.

Captain ROBERT W. SCHILLER, (0394221), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight in Papua from 17 October 1942 to 19 January 1943. Captain Schiller made repeated flights in unarmored transport planes, at low altitudes, subject to the fire of hostile ground troops and attack by enemy planes, in order to drop vitally needed rations, ammunition, and medical supplies to friendly ground forces engaged in (combat with the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Nata Lee Schiller, (wife), Howett Street, Neillsville, Wisconsin.

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I. 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), the Soldier's Hedal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Tochnician Fifth Grade JEROME J. SCHULTZ, (12090364), Infantry, United States Army. For heroism near Asingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 April 1945. A soldier swimming in a river was swept into deep water by a current and was in imminent danger of drowning. Technician Schultz, observing the man's plight, plunged into the river and brought the drowning man to the bank where he promptly administered artificial respiration. Technician Schultz' prompt and heroic action saved the life of the soldier. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Schultz, (mother), 432 West 204th Street, New York, New York.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Modal awarded to Major Andrew L. Harbin by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, Section II, General Orders Mo. 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:

Major ANDREW L. HARBIN, (0328648), General Staff Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 27 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. A. L. Harbin, (wife), Waxahachie Bank, Waxahachie, Texas.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to First Lieutenant Louis J. Wortham by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, Section III, General Orders No. 58, dated 1 April 1945, a Bronze

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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, VD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant LOUIS J. WORTHAM, (01031606), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Valdez, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 April 1945. Lieutenant Wortham led a patrol behind enemy lines to capture a prisoner. The patrol had halted for a rest period when a lone Japanese was sighted moving along a trail on a ridge immediately above their position. Quickly posting his men to cut off the only possible escape route, he took careful aim and shot the enemy soldier in the leg. Then, accompanied by an onlisted man, he hurriedly moved up the hill to make the capture. At their approach the Japanese threw himself on the ground and attempted to open his blouse. Full, aware that the man might have been reaching for a grenade, Lieutenant Wortham threw himself upon him, and aided by the onlisted man, made a prisoner of the Japanese. He then successfully withdrew the patrol from the threat of an approaching enemy force. Lieutenant Wortham's courageous act made possible the successful accomplishment of the patrol's mission. Home address: Mr. William B. Wortham, (father), Center, Texas.

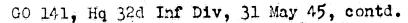
IV., AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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, warrant officer, and enlisted men:

Major (then Captain) <u>ELMER G. BOYER</u>, (0393437), General Staff Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 10 June 1944 to 10 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Roy Boyer, (father), 2716 South Washington, Lansing, Michigan.

Licutenant Colonel <u>AUSTIN E. CORPE</u>, (0220403), Quarter-master Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 20 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ethel L. Corpe, (wife), 5049-28th Avenue South, Minneapolis, Hinnesota.

Technician Fourth Grade HENRY B. DICKIE, (36113066), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 September 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Harry Dickie, (father), 8815 Morley Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.



Major (then Captain) ROBERT W. DOBBINS, (9333960), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the energy near Aftua, New Guinja, from 8 July 1944 to 15 August 1946. Home address Mrs. Mirium L. Dobbins, (wife), 6831 5th Avenue, Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Mainter Sergeant HARRY EICHHORN, (32396228), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 19 November 1944 to 3 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Esther Eichhorn, (mother), 170 East 94th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Captain SIDNEY E. GOAD, (0252803), Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 15 March 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sidney E. Goad, (wife), Clendenin, West Virginia.

First Ligutenant ROBERT L. KNAPP, (01038719), Chemical Worfare Service, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 10 March 1945 to 24 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Leah L. Knapp, (mother), 944 Harrison Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Chief Warrant Officer ARTHUR H. SWAN. JR., (U2120882), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 27 January 1945 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elaine M. Swan, (Wife), 1615 Mayfair Circle, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Captain GARLAND A. WCOD, (0315095), Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sudio R. Wood, (mother), 2702 Monument Avenue, Richmond, Virginia.

Corporal WALTER A. ZASKIEWICZ, (36423698), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 14 February 1945 to 24 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gladys Zaskiewicz, (mother), 668 Third Street, N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

V. 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 Septembar 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

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Captain (then First Lieutenant), <u>WAYNE E. QUICK</u>, (0421399), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight at Aitape, New Guinea, from 24 April 1944 to 5 August 1944. Captain Quick made numerous flights as an aerial observer in an unarmored liaison plane at low altitudes, subject to enemy fire, to adjust naval and artillery fire on the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Janet E. Quick, (wife), 207 East 33rd Street, New York City, New York.

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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 Technical Sergeant Lloyd L. Finch by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, 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:

Technical Sergeant LLCYD L. FINCH, (6658059), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret E. Finch, (wife), 1704 South Branson Street, Marion, Indiana.

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:

Warrant Officer Junior Grade <u>DELBERT J. CLAVETTE</u>, (W2134992), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with Military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 20 March 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mr. James Clavette, (father), Soperton, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant RAYMOND J. COOK, (01533992), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 23 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Patricia F. Cook, (wife), 1614 West Carlisle Avenue, Spokane, Washington.

Technician Fourth Grade RAYMOND J. CZAJA, (36209490), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 September 1944 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mr. John Czaja, (father), 2220 East Beverly Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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First Lieutenant FORREST P. GEYER, (01304712), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 4 December 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ccra B. Geyer, (mother), 1132 North Ellison, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Technician Fifth Grade FRED A. KOESSEL, JR., (36162284), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 October 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Fred A.C. Koessel, (father), 1315 Dunham Street, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>DANIEL E. MAGEL</u>, (39345082), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 4 February 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sophia Magel, (mother), Route #1, Gervais, Oregon.

Second Lieutenant ALEXANDER G. MIROS, (01690841), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maisie M. Miros, (wife), 13507 Sparling Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class CHARLES P. MURDOCK, (39051278), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 28 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Snyder, (mother), R.F.D., San Luis Obispo, California.

Technician Fourth Grade <u>DONALD J. VINCENT</u>, (39474199), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruby A. Vincent, (wife), 3008 West Andover Street, Seattle, Washington.

Technician Fourth Grade <u>JULIUS ZAMOSKY</u>, (32881185), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Lüzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Zamosky, (wife), 1585 Odell Street, Bronx, New York.

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I. AWARD, 1 OSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR:

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

Staff Sergeant BURTON S. KATZ, (39016161), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 April 1945. An attack by an infantry platoon against a strong enemy position was pinned down by the heavy artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire of the enemy. A patrol had established the location of one of the hostile machine guns, and Sergeant Katz led his squad to knock out this weapon. Before they could get within striking distance the enemy opened up with a terrific mortar barrage, making any forward movement extremely hazardous. In spite of this, Sergeant Katz, determined to accomplish the squad's mission, sprang erect and charged the enemy position, firing from the hip as he ran. He had advanced to within ten feet of the hostile machine gun when he was struck and killed. The extreme gallentry of Sergeant Katz' action reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Blanche Katz, (mother), 1504 Felspar Street, Pacific Beach, California.

II. 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), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant (then Private First Class) ARLEN P. COLEMAN, (34580256), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 April 1945. When word was received that a wounded soldier was lying wounded in an open clearing controlled by enemy fire, Sergeant Coleman and another enlisted man unhositatingly went to his assistance. They were carrying the casualty away from the dangerous area when a burst of enemy fire killed Sergeant Coleman's assistant. Without thought for himself, he courageously carried on alone and brought the wounded man to safety. He then ventured again into the area under

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fire to recever the body of his slain companion. Sergeant Coleman displayed exceptional courage in this incident. Home address: Irs. E. G. Coleman, (mother), Route #2, Moulton, Alabama.

III. AMARD, 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, VD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant THOMAS S. SIATTERY, (32372290), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 April 1945. An infantry company was deployed to attack an enemy-held hill strongly defended by artillery, mortars, and machine gun tests. As the assault began, Sergeant Slattery moved to the rerefront, and calling on the men to follow him, charged one of the hostile machine guns, firing his carbine as he ran. The heroic behavior of Sergeant Slattery greatly inspired all those who witnessed this action. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Smythe, (sister), 549 Third Street, Albany, New York.

IV. AWARDS OF THE BROMZE 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 Modal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant) HARRY A. CALEVAS, (02026847), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 18 November 1944 to 26 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sally Calevas, (wife), 2377 Champlain Street, N. W., Washington, D.C.

Technician Third Grade ARTHUR J. CHRISTIE, (36209360), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with mulitary operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 30 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hagdeline Chrostowski, (mother), 2503 West National Avenue, Milwaukce, Wisconsin.

Private First Class PAUL L. DENNER, (34530312), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imagan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 May 1945. Private Denner was guarding a civilian supply train when he detected twelve Japanese advancing along the trail. He immediately opened fire, wounding three and causing the others to flee. The wounded Japanese sought cover

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behind some rocks, but he courageously sought them out and killed all three. The prompt and heroic action of Private Denner saved the supply train from attack and possible annihilation. Home address: Mr. Louis Denner, (father), 805 St. Clair Street, Jackson-ville, Florida.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>BEORGE J. GLEBER</u>, (32211511), 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 15 January 1945. Heme address: Mrs. Louise Gleber, (mother), 51 Howard Avenue, Buffalo, New York.

Technician Third Grade CLIFFORD A. HAND, (33161422), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinca and the Philippine Islands from 1 November 1943 to 7 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Hand, (wife), 1219 Woodward Avenue, McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania.

Corporal LUVERNE HERREN, (37313665), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1945 to 7 May 1945. Home address: Mr. John H. Herren, (father), Ogilvie, Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade PROSPER L. JEFFRIES, (37437075), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippinc Islands, from 22 February 1945 to 6 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Lloyd L. Jeffries, 219 South First Street, Osage, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant ANTHONY T. MAZZOLA, (32768580), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jennie Mazzola, (mother), 387 Highland Avenue, Passaic, New Jersey.

Major JOHN H. REYNOLDS. (0426591), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 30 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mr. John Reynolds, 605 Mast Broadway, Muskogco, Oklahoma.

Master Sergeant WILLIAM H. STROEBEL, (20656878), 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 15 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Augusta Jefferson, (mother), 1309A West Juneau Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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Staff Sergeant JOSEPH F. YAFFE, (33191201), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 February 1945 to 7 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dora Yaffe, (mother), 403 Schuyler Road, Silver Springs, Maryland.

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Technician Fourth Grade CHESTER R. BROWISZEWSKI, (36110418), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 March 1945 to 14 April 1945. Home address Hrs. Mary Broniszewski, (mother), 18100 McDougall, Detroit, Michigan.

Sergeant JACK B. C.LDWELL, (36112968), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hazel Caldwell, (mother), 18280 Prairie Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant GEORGE H. CROW, (37254595), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 18 November 1944 to 1 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bernice D. Crow, (mother), Cunningham, Kansas.

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES A. DECKER, (36156001), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1943 to 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emma Decker, (mother), Route #2, Cassopolis, Michigan.

Private First Class DANIEL HOLC, (33219944), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 March 1945 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna S. Hole, (mother), Route #1, Prince George, Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade JAY M. KRAFT, (33333608), Modical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 4 May 1945 to 20 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rac Kraft, (mother), 338 South 16th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Major VILLIAM G. PAGE, (0387485), Infantry, United States

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Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military pperations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 23 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bernice M. Page, (wife), 732 West Winnebago Street, Appleton, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant MICHAEL POTTER, (36112970), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 18 November 1944 to 1 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence Potter, (wife), 7423 Ellsworth Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade LESTER J. ROTH, (15132692), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 4 May 1945 to 22 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ann Roth, (mother), 2917 Hampshire Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

Private First Class ALBERT J. SCHROFDER, (37230370) Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 25 March 1945 to 27 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Albert E. Schroeder, (father), Alta Vista, Kansas.

Technical Sergeant FRED C. WERLE, (33265186), 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 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bessie E. Werle, (mother), 910 Gibson Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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AWARDS 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), the Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men for heroism at Tayug, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 April 1945. A Japanese bomber made a night attack, dropping bombs in an ordnance unit area, setting off fires and explosions amongst the stored ammunition. These officers and enlisted men immediately rushed to the blazing building, and at great risk to themselves from the flames, exploding ammunition, and falling timbers, rescued several persons from the fiercely burning interior. The direct result of their action was the saving of many lives:

Private First Class TARANCE C. BINGHAM, (38538991), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Nita F, Bingham, (mother), R.D. #1, Hillister, Texas.

Technician Fifth Grade THOMAS E. BRENNAN, (13096770), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary T. Brennan, (mother), 13372 Maple Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant DONALD C. BRUCE, (36109732), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Eleanore Bruce, (mother), 2041 North Main, Royal Oak, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>DANIEL V. BUSACCA</u>, (32500518), Ordnancc Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Lena Solaeri, (mother), 115 East 27th Street, New York, New York.

Technician Third Grade <u>HAROLD J. COLLINS</u>, (36104642), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Rudolph Collins, (brother), Durkley, Michigan.

Sergeant ROY C. CROWDER, JR., (33648152), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Gaynelle Crowder, (wife), Trouteville, Virginia.

Technician Fourth Grade STANLEY R. GARRIGAN, (30102483), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary Ellen Sleepy, (sister), 1418 Marcelina Avenue, Torrance, California.

Technician Fourth Grade <u>LESTER GRUENIG</u>, (37265066), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Turple, (mother), Ecystone Route, Rapid City, South Dakota.

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Lieutenant Colonel JOHN E. HARBERT, (0408634), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. John E. Harbert, (wife), 13 Union Court, Pontiac, Michigan.

Technician Third Grade MERLIN W. HETTS, (20657409), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Frank W. Hetts, (father), R.F.D. #2, Jefferson, Wisconsin.

Private First Class WALTER O. HICKMAN, (35893799), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Antona S. Hickman, (mother), 242 Ogden Street, Hammond Lake, Indiana.

Private First Class EDWARD N. HOFMANN, (37634703), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Oscur C. Hofmann, (father), 5854 Pamplin Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>DENVER MATHEWS</u>, (35530225), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Homo address: Mrs. Verna Mathews, (mother), 3119 East 98th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

First Lieutenant JAMES F. MATHEWS, III, (01553134), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. E. Nash Matthews, (father), 732 88th Street, Miami Beach, Florida.

Technician Fifth Grade JOSEPH W. MILANO. (36722643), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home addres. Mrs. Angeline Milano, (mother), 408 South Homan Avenue, Chicago, Illineis.

Technician Fourth Grade CARLTON E. NEUMANN, (20647332), Ord-nance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ida Neumann, (mother), Larson, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>EDWARD J. NIEMCZYK</u>, (36504461), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary Niemczyk, (mother), 6410 St. Mary's, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class <u>PASQUALE A. PEDUTO</u>, (32195015), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Antoinette Peduto, (mother), 1934 Bussing Avenue, Bronx, New York.

Technician Fourth Grade ROSS RELPH, (37227212), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Virginia L. Relph, (wife), 1029 Mississippi, Lawrence, Kansas.

Staff Sergeant <u>VERNON F. SCHENNING</u>, (36208569), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Kathryn Schenning, (mother), Wilmot, Wisconsin.

Staff Sorgeant (then Sergeant) CARL E. STEPHENS, (37111479), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Jossie Stephens, (mother), 504 North Sixth, Centerville, Iowa.

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Staff Sergeant GLENN A. W. ODARE, (39022735), Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Leona M. Woodard, (wife), 1328 Lime Avenue, Long Beach, California.

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I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTIR:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Promze Star Medal awarded to Private First Class Robert C. Bogan by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, General Orders No. 57, dated 31 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:

Private First Class ROBERT C. BOGAN. (34773461), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 April 1945. The enemy placed an artillery barrage upon positions occupied by our troops, inflicting casualties. Private Bogan immediately went to the assistance of two badly wounded soldiers in a nearby foxhole. Although he had no protection from the numerous shells bursting close by, he steadfastly administered first aid to the casualties until satisfied that he had done all he could do. Then only did he seek shelter for himself. As a result of Private Bogan's prompt and capable ministrations one of the wounded was saved. Home address: Mrs. Annie B. Bogan, (mtoher), Route 8, Plaza Road, Charlotte, 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, VD, 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 the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 30 March 1945. It was necessary for an infantry company to occupy the crest of a hill whose approaches were covered by the heavy fire of the enemy. These five men were members of a patrol sent to reconnoiter for a safe route to the desired objective. For several hours they scouted the terrain under the harassing automatic and small arms fire of the enemy until they found a suitable path. This they ascended, and having reached the summit, again came under the fire of the enemy. Nevertheless, in spite of the threat of enemy attack, they maintained the position until joined by the rest of the company.

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Private LOWELL T. BECK, (39579090), Infantry, United States Army. Nome address: Mrs. Beatrice R. Beck, (wife), 122 North Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Sergeant JOHN R. CHAMBERIAIN, (38141799), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Morton Chamberlain, (father), Route 1, Box 148, Prague, Oklahoma.

Sergeant (then Private) <u>VINCENT P. DEROSA</u>, (39474330), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Theresa Derosa, (mother), 222 Canoll Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Sergoant (then Private First Class) HARRY L. HEAFNER, (34871770), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Aaron L. Heafner, (father), Pourtland, Mississippi.

Private First Class ROBERT P. NICKL, (33702085), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Nickl, (mother), 339 Fisk Street, Pittsburgh, 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 officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class MARLIN C. P. ETZWEILER, (33240050), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. Private Etzweiler was operating his radio at a company command post when an enemy shell exploded in the area, rendering him unconscious by the concussion. He was removed a short distance where, after having recovered from the shock, he found that his radio had been left behind. Cognizant that vital information would be delayed in transmission if the set were not recovered, he dashed to the scene of the shelling, still under enemy bombardment, and returned with the set. After making hurried repairs he was able to reostablish communication with the higher echelon. Private Etzweiler heroically risked his life to facilitate the progress of the operations against the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Lizzie R. Etzweiler, (mother), R.D. #1, Millersburg, Pennsylvania.

Corporal JOHN H. FORNEY, (39339693), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 April 1945. The enemy placed a heavy mortar parrage on a battalion command post area, causing many casualties. Corporal Forney rushed from the aid station, where he was working, to the stricken zone and began administering first aid to the wounded. He continued at his task, indifferent

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to the hazard of the continuing mortar barrage, until the casualties had been treated and evacuated to the aid station. The ministrations of Corporal Forney undoubtedly saved the lives of several of the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Gladys Forney, Box 1, Hammod, Oregon.

Major RUSSELL W. HAMMERMEISTER, (0400641), Veterinary Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasion Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 November 1944. Major Hammermeister was present when the command post of the division was shelled by the enemy. Without thought for his own safety he remained in the area while the barrage continued, tending to the wounded and assisting in their evacuation to a safer locality. The heroic conduct of Major Hammermeister undoubtedly saved the lives of several of the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Pauline C. Hammermeister, (wife), R.F., D. #1, Worthington, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant DONALD C. ROTHE, (20646926), Infancry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 June 1944 to 25 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Roman F. Rothe, (father), 2318 North 9th Street, Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) AIFONSO VENERANE, (0328399), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Ansagan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 March 1945. A fire broke out in the pit where ammunition was stored, and Captain Veterane, after ordering all nearby personnel to take cover, seized a shovel and ran to the scene of the blaze. Although the fiber cases of the ammunition were already ignited, and there was imminent danger of an explosion, he shoveled dirt off the ammunition until the fire was extinguished. At great risk to himself Captain Veterane saved a dangerous situation. Home address: Mrs. Betty K. Veterane, (wife), 2608 4th Street, Santa Monica, California.

Technical Sorgeant GEORGE E. WATSON, (20651615), Field Aprillery, United States Army. For meritorhous achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 27 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Luella Watson, (mother), Hillsboro, Wisconsin.

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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 enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant ISAAC F. BEAR, (34437883), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 March 1945. Sergeant Bear and two other enlisted men were occupying the forward area of a perimeter when a large force of the enemy launched an attack under cover of darkness. The determined fury of the assault made it necessary for the three men to withdraw a short distance to a more defensible area. During a lull in the action Sergeant Bear and one of the men attempted the withdrawal while the third man furnished covering fire. Enroute to the new position the two men met and killed two Japanese; subsequently they defended themselves against further attacks and accounted for many more enemy dead. Sergeant Bear played a major part in the defeat of an enemy attempt to overrun the perimeter. Next of kin: Mrs. Lucille Bear, (wife), 332 Oak Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

Private First Class GUY H. JOHNSON, (37740358), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 March 1945. Private Johnson and two other enlisted men were occupying the forward area of a perimeter when a large force of the enemy launched an attack under cover of darkness. The determined fury of the assault made it necessary for the three men to withdraw a short distance to a more defensible area. During a lull in the action the two other men attempted the withdrawal while Private Johnson furnished covering fire. In the face of overwhelming odds he remained at his post, firing repeatedly, until he was struck and killed. Private Johnson sacrificed his life defending the withdrawal of his companions. Next of kin: Mrs. Charleen F. Johnson, (wife), Oak Grove, Missouri.

II. 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),

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

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND W. DIXON, (37740155), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verda Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 March 1945. Sergeant Dixon and two other enlisted men were occupying the forward area of a perimeter when a large force of the enemy launched an attack under cover of darkness. The determined fury of the assault made it necessary for the three men to withdraw a short distance to a more defensible area. During a lull in the action Sergeant Dixon and one of the men attampted the withdrawal while the third man furnished covering fire. Enroute to the new position the two men met and killed two Japanese; subsequently they defended thems. Wes against further attacks and accounted for many more enemy dead. Sergeant Dixon played a major part in the defeat of an enemy attempt to overrun the perimeter. Home address: Mrs. Ethel R. Dixon, (mother), Route #2, Odessa, New York.

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), the Soldier's medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Technician Fourth Grade FLOYD W. HUNTER, JR., (16093917), Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at Tayug, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 April 1945. A Japanese bomber made a night attack, dropping bombs in an ordnance unit area, setting off fires and explosions amongst the stored ammunition. Technician Hunter immediately rushed to the blazing building, and at great risk to himself from the flames, exploding ammunition, and falling timbers, rescued several soldiers and civilians from the fiercely burning interior. Technician Hunter's courageous behavior saved many lives in this incident. Home address: Mrs. Floyd W. Hunter, (mother), 1244 North Thirteenth Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

IV. 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 PHILLIP C. NEWNHAM, (16065959), 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 14 March 1945. Next of in: Mr. Charles Newnham, (father), 2906 East Jefferson Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

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V. AWANDS 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 WILMER D. HUDNUT, (37421734), 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 12 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Hudnut, (mother), Victor, Iowa.

Private First Class <u>WILLIAM T. LENEAVE</u>. (36380959), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Aitape, New Guinea, from 23 April 1944 to 24 July 1944. Home address: Mrs. Diasey Leneave, (mother), R.F.D. #6, Mt. Vernon, Illinois.

Sergeant BRUNO G. POLANSKI, (36309219), Infantry, United States Army. For hereic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 23 April 1944 to 12 April 1945. Sergeant Polanski has demonstrated his ability as a leader on more than one hundred patrols. He has led his men on many dangerous missions, over treacherous terrain and often far behind enemy lines. On one occasion the patrol he was leading was fired on by a numerically superior enemy force. Exposing himself fearlessly, he moved about the area, exhorting and deploying his men so effectively that they were able to repulse the attack of the enemy and withdraw safely. Sergeant Polanski's exceptional achievements have rendered great service to his organization in combat operations against the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Mary Polanski, (mother), 1734 North Damen Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade PAUL B. STOUGHTON.JR., (38046695), 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 25 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ora Stoughton, (mother), 1400 Kuroki Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

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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 officers and enlisted men:

Sergeant FRED L. BRYSON, (37390402), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 March 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nellie Bryson, (mother), New Bloomfield, Missouri.

Private First Class LAWRENCE D. HANSFORD, (37130478), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 30 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rosa M. Hansford, (mother), Granby, Missouri.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) ROBERT J. HAYES, (36111638), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 18 November 1944 to 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mable Hayes, (mother), 241 Mason Street, Canadaigua, New York.

Hajor HERVEY V. IDE, (0309066), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 13 March 15. to 4 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hervey V. Ide, (wife), Route 9, Box 205, Portland, Oregon.

Private First Class JOSEPH D. LANDIS, (39394751), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 March 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph E. Landis, (father), Route 8, Box 4618, Sacramento, California.

Private First Class JAMES B. MERICA, (37707172). Corps of Fingineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in conrection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philiptine Islands, from 23 Marc 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address:

Loraine D. Merica, (with , Box 56, Winona, Kansas.

Private First Class GERALD M. MILLER, (33250565), Gorps, of Ingineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in concetion with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philip-Line Islands, from 23 March 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Miss

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Phyliss Miller, (sister), Willow Bank Street, Bellefonte, Pannsylvania.

Private First Class DONALD B. NEAL, (13107923), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement im connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine ands, from 23 March 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mildred Neal, (wife), 513 Green Street, Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

Staff Gergeant FRED A. POMEROY, (36560494), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with willitary operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 24 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Sidney Pomeroy, (father), 8890 Helen Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Third Grade GORDON M. POOR, (36156621), Finance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 20 February 1944 to 31 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mizpah Poor, (wife), 215 State Street, Eaton Rapids, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade HAROLD J. PRIM, (33135884), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 April 1945. Technician Prim was present at an observation post from which artillery fire was to be directed against a group of enemy mortars. When it was discovered that the wire upon which the sole means of communication depended had been severed, he left the security of his foxhole and exposed himself to enemy fire to repair it. Technician Prim's courageous action made at possible for effective artillery fire to be placed upon the enomy mortars, thereby silencing them. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude Prim, (mother), 2811 North Croskey Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class VIRGIL W. SHROYER, (37535913), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 March 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Carolyn J. Shrover, (wife), Mercer, Missouri.

Captain WALTER K. ROODWARD (0409789), Infantry, United States army. For meritorious achieves at in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 28 January 1945 to 23 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Clyde J. Woodward, Sr., (father), 25 Hayward Street, Nacogdoches, Texas.

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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 Sergeant Lysle J. Fleming by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, Section IV, General Orders No. 49, dated 22 March 1945, & 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:

Sergeant LYSLE J. FLEMING, (13003352), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Valdez, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 April 1945. Sergeant Fleming was a member of a patrol deploying behind enemy lines to capture a prisoner. The patrol had halted for a rest period when a lone Japanese was sighted moving along a trail on a ridge immediately above their position. A shot was fired wounding the enemy soldier in the leg and then, after men had been posted to cut off the only possible escape route, Sergeant Fleming, accompanied by an officer, hurriedly moved up the hill to make the capture. At their approach the Japanese threw himself on the ground and attempted to open his blouse. Fully aware that the man might have been reaching for a grenade, he threw himself upon him, and assisted by the officer, made a prisoner of the Japanese. Sergeant Fleming's courageous act made possible the successful accomplishment of the patrol's mission. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Fleming, (mother), Cherry Tree, Pennsylvania.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Major Orman L. Wallis by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 6, 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 ORMAN L. WALLIS, (0367924), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 17 March 1945 to 10 May 1945. . . address: Mrs. Teresa M. Wallis, (wife), Warren ... - Cockeys ... e, Maryland.

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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 officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class <u>BARNEY J. BOZYMOWSKI</u>, (20638895), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 25 March 1945 to 27 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Bozymowski, (mother), 893 Vinewood Avenue, Wyandotte, Michigan.

First Lieutenant FRED H. CHESSER, (01115212), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 2 March 1945 to 2 April 1945. Home address:
Mrs. Mary E. Clarke, (mother), 5013 Illinois Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Second Lieutenant LYNN L. DAVIS, (02037255), Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 18 November 1944 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Raechel Davis, (mother), Box 1194, Jerome, Idaho.

Master Sergeant EDWARD T. HART, (36113099), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 21 October 1943 to 28 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lebecca Hart, (mother), 385 Eason Avenue, Highland Park, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade ALOYS J. HAUSWIRTH, JR., (36110401), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 25 March 1945 to 27 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Theresa Aeck, (sister), 5280 Parker Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Third Grade HADRIAN A. KOSOBUCKI, (36209299), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 Movember 1943 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Kosobucki, (mother), 1818 North Warren Avenue, Milwaukee, Visconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade LAWRENCE G. KRUEGER, (20652565, 1) Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasion Point, Loyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. The enemy shelled a battalian area causing several casualties, and vehicles were

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required to transport the wounded to an evacuation point. Technician Krueger made several trips with his vehicle under the heavy fire of the hostile barrage, accomplishing this necessary function. Owing to Technician Krueger's efforts, performed at great risk to himself, a large number of wounded personnel were enabled to receive prompt medical assistance. Home address: Mr. William F. Krueger, (father), Noute #1, Box 13, Irma, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR A. KWIATKOWSKI, (36208681), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea, in the Netherlands Tast Indies, and in the Philippine Islands from 4 May 1944 to 20 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Kwiatkowski, (mother), 3169 South 25th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>BENJIMAN I. LINDNER</u>, (20652397), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 14 November 1944 to 14 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Raymond Lindner, (brother), 311 Market Street, Port Edwards, Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant SYLVESTER C. SEIPEL, (36204878), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 2 January 1944 to 10 May 1945. Home address:

-Mars. Rose Seipel, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Newton, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>HAROLD E. SMITH</u>, (20647344), Infantry United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1943 to 24 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara Smith, (mother), 716 7th Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant JOHN J. STEPHAN, (36207300), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea, in the Netherlands East Indies, and in the Philippine Islands from 8 September 1944 to 7 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Arleen Bernice Stephan, (wife), 2421 South 13th Street, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Private First Class JAMES T. TURNER, (36110146), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 25 March 1945 to 27 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruby Turner, (mother), 1224 Liddesdale Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Sergeant LEONARD J. VERJINSKI, (20652389), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands,

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from 14 November 1944 to 16 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ilma Verjinski; (wife), 13152 North Second Street, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin.

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I. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, VD, 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 the Darawan Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 April 1945. These four litter bearers proceeded to terrain being subjected to enemy mortar and machine gun fire to evacuate two wounded soldiers. They succeede in reaching the two casualties, but so hazardous was the enemy fire that one of the carriers was wounded, and it was found impossible to return without the aid of a smoke screen laid down for that purpose by friendly troops. At extreme risk to themselves these four mon undoubtedly saved the lives of the two wounded soldiers.

Technician Fifth Grade WAYNE DOUGHERTY, (37440639), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Margaret B. Dougherty, (mother), Atalisso, Iowa.

Private First Class <u>WILLIAM D. ROLLER</u>, (14064370), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Mae Roller, (mother), Post Office Box 123, Auburndale, Florida.

Private First Class FERNANDO SAENZ, JR., (38248597), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Jul. S. Saenz, (mother), General Devery, Benavides, Texas.

Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ger. M. Limmons, (mother), Box 145 Bastrop, 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, ND, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers, Warrant Officer, and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant LEONARD N. BENNETT, (01318750), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 28 February 1945 to 7 Fay 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marjery

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Anne Sennett, (wife), Box 324, Ovatonna, Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade <u>CAROL E. BILLINGSLEY</u>, (36631021), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 27 February 1945 to 7 May 1945. Home address: Mr. E.C. Billingsley, (father), 304 North Park Street, McLeansboro, Illinois.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade ORRIN A. KEATLEY, (W2134993), United States Army.; For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 April 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ione M. Keatley, (wife). Route 1, Port Orchard, Washington.

Technician Fourth-Grade CHARLES E. KINNEY, (36110705), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 March 1945 to 31 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth E. Kinney, Wife), 611 Kitchener Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Sergeant HOWARD P. RAMALEY, (33555756), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philiprine Islands, on 2 May 1945. A patrol attacked a group of the enemy who resisted strongly with heavy grenade and small arms fire. During the assault a soldier at an advanced point was wounded and was unable to reach cover. Sergeant Ramaley, noting the man's plight, immediately crawled to his position and, in spite of the enemy's efforts to halt his progress with their fire he was able to drag the casualty to a position of safety. Sergeant Ramaley risked his life to rescue a wounded comrade. Home address: Mrs. Laraine Ramalcy, (wife), 500 Orleans Street, St. Paul, Minnesota.

First Lieutenant ROBERT J. WILSON, (01317718), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 April 1945. Lieutenant Vilsen led his platoon in an attack against a strong enemy position whose fire had been therassing our troops. The advance was across open terrain in the face of a heavy artillery barrage and, while still short of the objective, he was wounded in two places. Refusing evacuation he continued at the head of his men until a third wound rendered him powerless to advance any further. Lieutenant Wilson's courageous leadership while under intense enemy fire was an inspiration to his men. Home address: Mrs. Robert J. Wilson, (Wife), 37 South Portland Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

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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 Commandiag General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer, warrant officers, and enlisted man:

Technician Fifth Grade CLIFFORD A. GLINES, (19096323), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 May 1945. Technician Glines was a member of a patrol engaged by a force of the enemy. When one of the patrol members received a serious wound and was unable to extricate himself from further enemy fire, he promptly proceeded over open terrain and, at dangerously close proximity to the enemy, furnished covering fire while the man was evacuated. He then, subsequently, distinguished himself further by assisting in the locating and sealing of three Japanese occupied caves. Technician Glines exhibited great courage in both of these inciden's. Home address: Mr. Harvoy A. Glines, (father), Route 1, Kennewick, Washington.

Chief Marrant Officer JOHN R. HICKS, JR., (W2114622), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Fhilippine Islands from 1 Movember 1943 to 28 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Claine M. Hicks, (wife), 1305 Albert Street, Alexandria, Louisians.

First Lieutenant RICHARD M. KATT, (01056128), Cosst Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eleanor M. Katt, (mother), 3912 Fairfield, Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade GORDON C. SNYDER, (W2107042), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 14 November 1944 to 18 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Grace Snyder. (mother), 15770 Mendota Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Captain WILLIAM D. SPORBORG, JR., (02051923), Judge Advocate

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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 June 1944 to 10 May 1945. Heme address: Mrs. Constance A. Sporborg, (mother), 22 Trenor Drive, % Merse, New Rochelle, New York.

Major (then Captain) GALE WELLS, (0364310), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyto, Philippine Islands, from 14 Nevember 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Morton J. Wells, (father), Byron Center, Michigan.

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Master Sergeant ALEVET EWERS, (20651546), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 27 January 1945 to 24 May 1945. Hore address: Mrs. Madeline V. Ewers, (mother), Route #3, Viroqua, Wisconsin.

Sergoant HARRY V. JAROSINSKI, (20652435), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine * Islands, from 14 November 1944 to 16 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Max Janesinski, (father), 541 Saratoga Street, Wisconsin Rapids Wisconsin.

Second licutement IVAN C. NELSON, (01686310), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy or Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 8 Fobruary 1945 to 4 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rosalie Helson, (mother), 1606 First Street, Merrill, Wisconsin.

Sergeant GERARD J. SERAFINI. (33076202), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 17 November 1944 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Blanche Scrafint, (mother), 46 3d Street, Wyoming, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) KARL SPETER- (32:22597), Field Artillery, United States Army. For hereis achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pinamasoan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. Technician Speier, a cook, was preparing a turkey for Thanksgiving dinner when the area was subjected to heavy artillery fire by the enemy. Although the shells were bursting close by and shell fragments were ripping through the kitchen tent, Technician Speier, aware that the morale of the company personnel would suffer if the dinner was spoiled, stayed at his post and proceeded with his cooking. Technician Speier risked his life

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so that his companions would not be deprived of their holiday dinner. Home address: Mrs. Emma Speier, (mother), Carolina, Rhode Island.

Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imagan, Iuzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 April 1945. When an enemy mertar shell landed in a battalion area seriously wounding three men, Technician Vaquera immediately rushed to their assistance. Although other shells continued to fall, he persevered with his task, applying what aid he coald until it was possible to evacuate the casualties to an aid station. Technician Vaquera, at great risk to himself, made possible the saving of the lives of the three wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Refnjio M. Vaquera, (mother), 2071 - 24th Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade CASIMER J. WALENSKI, (20652282), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 11 December 1944 to 23 December 1944. Technician Walenski participated in many patrols behind enemy lines. On many occasions he was subjected to heavy hostile fire. One of the patrols was ambushed by a Japanese force, and in the fighting an officer was seriously wounded. Under violent fire Technician Walenski went to his assistance and administered first aid, bravely risking his life to save an officer of his unit. Home address: Mr. Michael Walenski, (father), R.R. #2, Box 227, Stevens Point, Wisconsin.

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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 officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant JACK A. CLARK, (0888302), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 6 April 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie Clark, (wife), 1259 Calvary Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class <u>WILLIAM E. ELLETSON</u>, (20648975), Corps of Military Police, United States Arny. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 26 March 1945 to 9 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bortha Elletson, (mother), 324 South 11th Street, Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

Sergeant WARREN W. FRIE, (20645031), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 20 November 1944 to 10 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Leonard Frie, (father), Arcadia, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade HARRY L. FOWLER, (20630545), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinca and the Philippine Islands from 1 May 1944 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Fowler, (mother), 6006 Twelfth Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class JOSEPH J. MURPHY, (20646548), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Ihilippine Islands, from 12 December 1944 to 17 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Patrick Murphy, (father), 1805 North Oncida Street, Appleton, Wisconsin.

Master Sergeant EARL H. PETT, (36103963), Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 February 194, to 1 May 1945.

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Home address: Mr. Otto Pett, (father), 2483 Van Dyke, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class JAMES B. VOSE, (20904032), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievament in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 April 1945 to 20 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Beulah B. Vose, (mother), 5855 South Brentwood, los Angeles, California.

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Second Lieutenant DAVID L. BOYER, (01101343), Corps of Engineers. United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 March 1945 to 20 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lulu J. Boyer, (mother), 215 North 10th Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH H. DUMONSKI, (31169000), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the chemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 March 1945 to 20 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Dumonski. (mother). Brockett Hill, Waterbury, Connecticut.

Technician Fifth Grade CLYDE B. LAYAVI, (32445964), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the eveny on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 March 1945 to 2 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Delia www. (mother), 2 Lafayette Street, Norwich, New York.

First Light nent ELMER G. LINKE, (01109455), Corps of Engineers, United State Transfer For meritorious achievement in connection with milit of ations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, f arch 1945 to 2 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary J. Lir aife), 1503 Hamlet Street, Columbus, Ohio.

Sergeant EARL L. NEWTON, (36402371), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philiprine Islands, from 23 March 1945 to 20 May 1945. Fome address: Mrs. Lillian Bonner, (mother), 1152 Huizenga Avenue, Muskegen Heights, Michigan.

Corporal DEMETRIE N. NICOLO. (20116037), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 March 1945 to 2 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Nicolo, (mother), 266 Lincoln Avenue, Saugus, Massachusetts.

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Captain FREDERICK M. PRIESTER, JR., (01102434), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 March 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alice M. Priester, (mother), 4931 West Rice Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class <u>LUROY REED</u>, (39039188), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 March 1945 to 2 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cora Reed, (mother), General Delivery, Richmond, California.

Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD J. ROYER, (39452974), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 13 April 1945 to 20 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pearl J. Fayerweather, (mother), 203 East Second Avenue, Spokane, Washington.

Technician Fifth Grade JOSEPH M. SARCONE, (33030488), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 9 December 1944 to 5 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie Sarcone, (mother), 5000 Lytle Street, Pittsburgh, Ponnsylvania.

Private First Class GEORGE P. STEPHENS, (39285690), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 March 1945 to 2 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dora Stephens, (mother), 3078 Southern Avenue, South Gate, California.

First Lieutenant HOWARD E. WEBB, (01107219), Corps of Engincers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 March 1945 to 2 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara V. Webb, (mother), 3813 Church Street, Covington, Kentucky.

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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 ranged enlisted men:

Private First Class ROBERT W. DAKIN, (35683098), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the onemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 23 April 1944 to 14 February 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Pearl Dakin, (mother), Route #1, Waynesville, Ohio.

Private First Class STEVE FODOR, (35780654), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 14 November 1944 to 10 March 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Irone V. Fodor, (wife), Route 1, Wellsburg, West Virginia.

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Staff Sergeant GERALD N. REMICH (36204742), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 20 December 1943 to \$3 March 1945. Next of kin: Mrs; Dorothy Mueller, (sister), 4222 North 47th Street, Milwaukee. Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant ISRAEL SOLIZ, (38253035), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1943 to 10 March 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Sanjuana Soliz, (mother), Route #1, Box 132, Alice, Texas.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

Technical Sergeant DONALD R. BOND, (20648138), 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 21 March 1945. Home address:

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Mrs. Elizabeth Bond, (mother), 437 Ruggles Street, Fond du Lac, Visconsin.

Sterf Sergeant HENRY E. BROOKS, (39592878), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy hear the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 May 1945. Sergeant Brooks exposed himself to intense machine gun fire from two enemy pillboxes in order to furnish covering fire with his rifle to an efficer who was attempting to lower an explosive charge into a pillbox. Although bullets were striking the ground all around him, he steadfastly held his position and fired so rapidly and accurately that the enemy were not able to prevent the destruction of the pillbox. Sergeant Brooks' heroic behavior greatly assisted in the reduction of these gnemy strongpoints. Home address: Mrs. Vilma L. Brooks, (wife), 4224 East 32d Street, Maywood, California.

Captain MILES F. BUELOW, (0888278), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1943 to 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna M. Buelew, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Almond, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade CLARENCE V. VAYDENBERG, (36202553), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in cennection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1943 to 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Odelia Vandenberg, (mother), 434 Grant Street, De Fere, Wisconsin.

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