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ORIGINAL ORDER  
AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR

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

Captain RENO E. DREWS, (0888210), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 March 1945. Captain Drews played a leading role in the reduction of strong enemy positions on a number of strategically important hills. He exposed himself on innumerable occasions to hostile artillery, mortar, and automatic weapons fire in order to direct assaults and to coordinate the action of our mortars. When it was necessary to make preliminary reconnaissances before continuing the attack, he led patrols to within dangerously close proximity to the enemy positions, and was the target of heavy sniper fire. Captain Drews' gallant and capable leadership assisted greatly in the annihilation of the enemy strong points. Home address: Mr. Arthur H. Drews, (father), 820 $\frac{1}{2}$  Oregon Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN M. COLE, (35623652), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 May 1945. When the advance of our troops was halted by the volume of machine gun fire from an enemy strong point, Technician Cole maneuvered his bulldozer in line with the fire and courageously charged the emplacement. Innumerable bullets struck the cab of the vehicle, but he persevered until he was wounded and the blade of the bulldozer made useless by a bullet severing the contact cable. The trail he had blazed enabled a tank to successfully approach and destroy the enemy position. Home address: Mrs. Mary Cole, (mother), 398 First Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

Lieutenant Colonel DWELL A. FRASER, (0410265), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4, 5, and 6 March 1945. Colonel Fraser led his battalion courageously and capable in a three day attack against a strong enemy force occupying fortified positions on a height. He established his observation post at the base of the mountain and from this point, although subjected constantly to the heavy mortar, automatic weapons, and small arms fire of the enemy, he directed his troops during the period. Colonel Fraser's gallant behavior under fire was an inspiration to his men, and his highly competent leadership greatly assisted the successful consummation of the attack. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Fraser, (mother), 725 Norwich Street, Brunswick, Georgia.

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Major MAURICE C. HOLDEN, (024534), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 May 1945. Major Holden established an observation post at an advanced point, exposed to hostile fire, to direct and coordinate the attack by our forces against a series of strong enemy emplacements. Under his supervision a preparatory barrage of mortar fire was placed on the hostile positions; the accuracy of this fire greatly expedited the subsequent storming of the objective. Major Holden's skilful direction of the preliminary barrage while himself under fire, greatly assisted our troops in this action. Home address: Mrs. Nancy E. Holden, (wife), Box 414, Carmel, California.

Staff Sergeant (then Private) WILLIAM C. HOOVER, (35236049), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Tolibaw, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 20 December 1944. Sergeant Hoover crawled in the direction of the enemy's defences to furnish covering fire for the operator of a rocket launcher. With bullets striking the earth all around him he fired round after round from his rifle, diverting a major portion of the enemy's fire and thereby enabling the operator to score a direct hit with a rocket that knocked out a hostile pillbox. Subsequently Sergeant Hoover attacked an enemy machine gun, and although wounded in the action, successfully silenced the fire of this weapon. This achievement enabled his companions to press forward and attain an important objective. Sergeant Hoover distinguished himself in both of these incidents. Home address: Mrs. Irene Hoover, (wife), 308 North Union Avenue, Alliance, Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade GARLAND JORDEN, (18137281), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 May 1945. Technician Jordan drove his bulldozer against enemy machine gun emplacements to clear a path for infantry troops following behind. This made him the prime target of the enemy fire, but heedless of his personal risk, he directed his machine against the nearest emplacement and lowering the blade of his vehicle buried the occupants alive. This courageous feat of Technician Jordan made possible the further advance of our forces. Home address: Mrs. Viola Jordan, (mother), Route 4, Searcy, Arkansas.

Lieutenant Colonel FRANK W. MURPHY, (0370163), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. Colonel Murphy crossed a hundred yards of open terrain swept by the enemy's fire to observe the progress of an attack against a pillbox contesting our advance. From his forward position he detected a party of five Japanese moving to reinforce the defenders of the emplacement. With complete disregard for his personal safety, he stood erect, and heedless of the heavy machine gun fire directed at him, killed two of the enemy soldiers and forced the remaining three to disperse. If it

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were not for Colonel Murphy's gallant action the five Japanese would have succeeded in reinforcing the crew of the pillbox and undoubtedly greater casualties would have been sustained by our troops in the reduction of this strong point. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Murphy, (wife), 71 Vine Street, Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania.

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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 FLOYD I. BLEASDELL, JR., (36112465), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Sapanit, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 March 1945. A number of troops were ambushed by the enemy, and casualties were received from machine gun fire. Efforts by supporting troops to recover the wounded were frustrated by the intense volume of fire laid down by the enemy, but ~~Sergeant~~ Bleasdel, realizing the tremendous risk he would run by his action, sprang forward to rescue a badly wounded man some distance in front of him. Moving under fire all the way, he succeeded in reaching the wounded soldier, but was struck and killed by a burst of machine gun fire before he could return with the casualty. Sergeant Bleasdel lost his life in a gallant attempt to rescue a wounded comrade. Next of kin: Mrs. Jutta Bleasdel, (mother), Whitmore, Michigan.

Private First Class ROBERT J. HENDRICKSEN, (39206737), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Lawican, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 March 1945. A superior force of the enemy succeeded in isolating an outpost manned by a light machine gun and crew and two riflemen. The initial attacks were repulsed with loss to the enemy, but with the first light of the morning the Japanese launched another assault. It was apparent that the position would be overrun, and Private Hendricksen instructed his companions to withdraw while he held off the attackers as long as possible with the machine gun. He remained at his post, firing his weapon to the last, thereby enabling the other men to make good their retreat. Private Hendricksen's gallant sacrifice was in the finest tradition of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Julius Hendricksen, (mother), Box 65, Skykonish, Washington.

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

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First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) WILLIAM J. VER HEY, (01690725), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 April 1945. Lieutenant Ver Hey was in command of a platoon ordered to pass along a narrow ridge and attack enemy emplacements on the hill at the far side. As the platoon advanced an enemy machine gun opened fire from a concealed position, wounding the two lead scouts. Instructing two men to furnish him covering fire, Lieutenant Ver Hey crawled out to where the casualties lay and, making two trips, brought both of them back to safety. Lieutenant Ver Hey courageously risked his life to rescue the two wounded soldiers. Home address: Mr. Nick Ver Hey (father), 36 East 26th Street, Holland, Michigan.

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

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

Private JOHN V. MILLER, (32238139), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 April 1945. Private Miller was the lead scout for a patrol advancing to attack hostile positions. While moving across open terrain, he encountered and killed three of the enemy, thus enabling the remainder of the patrol to continue on without delay or casualties. After reaching the objective, he courageously exposed himself to further danger by reconnoitering for hidden pockets of the enemy. While engaged in this task he was killed by the shot of a Japanese sniper. Private Miller's heroic achievements greatly aided the patrol to fulfill its mission. Next of kin: Mr. William Miller, (brother), 402 East 158th Street, Bronx, New York.

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:

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) ROY S. BRYANT, (34804680), 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. A company area was subjected to a severe artillery bombardment by the enemy and many casualties were suffered. During a lull in the barrage, Technician Bryant left the shelter of his foxhole to render first aid to the wounded. At this time

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the enemy began to rake the area with machine gun and small arms fire, but without regard for his safety he stayed at his task, treating the casualties and helping to evacuate them to a safer location. The courageous ministrations of Technician Bryant undoubtedly saved the lives of several of the casualties. Home address: Mrs. Edna M. Bryant, (wife), Star Route, Albertville, Alabama.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES W. BUSKIRK, (15071856), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imgan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 May 1945. Sergeant Buskirk led a patrol to reconnoiter a hill on which there was known to be a large number of the enemy. He successfully accomplished this hazardous and difficult mission, returning with information on the location of the hostile installations which permitted the more effective use of our mortars. The achievements of Sergeant Buskirk greatly aided our troops in the subsequent attack on this enemy-held hill. Home address: Mrs. Pearl Buskirk, (mother), Ramage, West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant EDWARD X. GRUBBA, (36112325), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 April 1945 to 17 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Xavier Grubba, (father), 24700 Van Dyke, Central Line, Massachusetts.

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AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR

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

Private First Class MILTON D. CLARKE, (39207148), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Darawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 March 1945. Private Clarke was a member of a platoon pinned down by the heavy volume of fire from enemy positions. When he observed that a soldier at some distance from him was wounded and in need of medical aid, he crossed the intervening terrain, under fire all the way, and applied a tourniquet that stopped the casualty's profuse bleeding. He then remained with the man until darkness, under cover of which he was able to assist him to an evacuation point. Private Clarke risked his life to help a wounded comrade. Next of kin: Mr. Louis Carl Clarke, (father), 2012 Ravenna Boulevard, Seattle, Washington.

First Lieutenant JOHN COULIAS, (0495557), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 April 1945. Lieutenant Coulias deployed his platoon for an attack on enemy positions. He led his command in repeated assaults, exposing himself without fear to the mortar, machine gun, and grenade fire of the enemy in order to direct his men and inspire them by the example of his courageous conduct. The mission was almost accomplished when he was killed as a result of the heavy fire directed at him by the defenders. Lieutenant Coulias distinguished himself in this action by his highly gallant leadership. Next of kin: Mr. James Coulias, (father), 610 Argyle Road, Brooklyn, New York.

Private CHARLES H. CULVER, (6285931), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 April 1945. Private Culver was a member of a litter squad bearing a patient to an evacuation point, when, as a result of enemy machine gun fire, he received a serious wound. Disregarding his grievous hurt, he reorganized the other bearers and directed the removal to a position of safety of the litter patient. Not until this had been successfully accomplished did he seek treatment for his wound, which proved to be fatal. Private Culver's devotion to his duty was in the finest tradition of the military service. Next of kin: Mr. Charlie H. Culver, (father), Route #1, Wynnewood, Oklahoma.

Private First Class ROBERT A. KRASSIN, (39302373), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Maria,

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Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 February 1945. Private Krassin, an artillery observer, voluntarily offered to cross terrain being heavily shelled by the enemy and direct the fire of our artillery upon hostile machine gun positions. It was necessary to proceed without cover of any sort, but Private Krassin, realizing that if the machine gun nests were not neutralized casualties would be suffered amongst our troops, willingly accepted the risk. He was killed by the burst of an enemy shell before he could complete his mission. Private Krassin sacrificed his life in a gallant attempt to destroy formidable enemy positions. Next of kin: Mrs. Margaret Krassin, (wife), Box 292, Pinchurst, Washington.

Private First Class JAMES E. PERRY, (39345840), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 April 1945. When an attack by his platoon was halted by the intense automatic weapons fire of the enemy, Private Perry and another enlisted man deployed to a position where they could advantageously place their fire on the enemy positions. Having killed the four man crew of a machine gun, they accounted for several snipers, and then courageously attacked another machine gun emplacement. Although he was killed by the fire of this weapon, the gallant achievements of Private Perry enabled the remainder of the platoon to sweep forward and obtain their objective. Next of kin: Mrs. Esther L. Perry, (wife), New Route #1, Lake Port, 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 Technician Third Grade Rudolph E. Barto by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section IV, General Orders No. 89, dated 19 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 RUDOLPH E. BARTO, (35329720), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 30 March 1945 to 21 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Barto, (mother), Post Office, Ledwyn, Manitoba, Canada.

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, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Sergeant ARTHUR H. ELLISON, (31204470), 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 23 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Oscar H. Ellison, (father), 305 Maple Street, Lynn, Massachusetts.

Private First Class MERIAN D. KREWSOK, (36401573), 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. Emma Gill, (mother), Route #2, Mesick, Michigan.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM B. MOORE, (0415461), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 15 March 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home

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address: Mrs. J. W. Moore, (mother), Milton, North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) EARL M. ROSE, (36564671), 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. Heavy machine gun fire of the enemy pinned down a number of our troops and succeeded in inflicting casualties. When Sergeant Rose observed a companion lying helplessly wounded on exposed terrain, he abandoned his relatively safe position and crawled over the intervening distance. In spite of the intense automatic weapons and small arms fire directed at him, he succeeded in reaching the wounded soldier and dragging him to a point where first aid could be safely administered. Sergeant Rose underwent great risk to save the life of a comrade. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Rose, (mother), 4529 Dudley Route No. 1, Dearborn, Michigan.

Captain HARRY E. WILLIAMS, (0303972), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 20 April 1945 to 3 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucile E. Williams, (mother), 144 Center Street, Chester, South Carolina.

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RESCISSION OF AWARD..... I  
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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL..... III

I. RESCISSION OF AWARD:

So much of Section I, General Orders No. 150, Headquarters 32d Infantry Division, dated 3 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Private First Class ERNEST G. SIMMONS, 38461158, Medical Department, is rescinded.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Private First Class Ernest G. Simmons by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, Section II, General Orders No. 104, dated 5 May 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 ERNEST G. SIMMONS, (38461158), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Darawan Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 April 1945. Private Simmons, accompanied by three other litter bearers, proceeded to terrain being subjected to enemy mortar and machine gun fire to evacuate two wounded soldiers. They succeeded in reaching the two casualties, but so hazardous was the enemy fire that 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 himself, Private Simmons helped save the lives of the two wounded soldiers. Home address: Mrs. Gem M. Simmons, (mother), Box 145 Eastrop, 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, WD, 1944), Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Technician Third Grade ELLSWORTH A. BAKWELL, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippines, from 3 April 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. (wife), 1712 Putman Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade ROY DEWITT, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious

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military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippines, from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Aaro, 130 West Lake Street, Petoskey, Michigan.

Captain GROVER R. FATTIC JR., (0386359), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 10 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hazel Fattic, (wife), Route 1, Exira, Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) JAMES M. JENKINS, (20946274), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 March 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Marcus T. Bull, (uncle), 420 Vine Street, Seattle, Washington.

Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) LAWRENCE E. KOIRTYOHANN, (37181271), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 16 April 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mildred C. Koirtyohann, (wife), 1225 South Jefferson Street, Washington, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade GLENN H. MITCHELL, (39314175), Medical Department, 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. Rhita Mitchell, (mother), 714 Boren Avenue, Seattle, Washington.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH G. PEKALA, (36110951), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 31 January 1945 to 20 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Frank Pekala, (brother), 4822 Renville Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN J. ROSSI, (31341311), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph Rossi, (father), 23 Florence Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

Sergeant ARNOLD J. SEPT, (19020247), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 April 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mr. John Sept, (father), Box 202, Buffalo, Wyoming.

Technician Third Grade ALFRED J. VIGNEAU, (31084834), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ora Lamoureux, (sister), 163 Island Street, Keene, New Hampshire.

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Private First Class DONOVAN F. WEIBEL, (36821212), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 16 April 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Weibel, (mother), 1000 State Street, Sparta, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade NORMAN J. WILLE, (35372219), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 April 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mr. William Wille, (father), Hamlet, Indiana.

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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:

Lieutenant Colonel JULIAN V. SOLLOHUB, (020584), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Agno, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 May 1945. When word was received that a group of the enemy had infiltrated into a division rear area, Colonel Sollohub led a patrol to search out and destroy the hostile party. The enemy were contacted and a vigorous fight ensued, during which a number of our men were wounded. In spite of these losses, Colonel Sollohub led the patrol in a direct assault through the thick underbrush. He came upon three Japanese soldiers, and in an exchange of fire killed all three of them. Inspired by the courageous behavior of their leader, the rest of the patrol pressed forward and annihilated the entire enemy force. Colonel Sollohub's gallant and vigorous action eliminated a dangerous threat to our personnel and installations. Home address: Mrs. Catherine M. Sollohub, (wife), Springfield Center, New York.

Private First Class ROBERT M. WALRAVEN, (37701986), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Rosa, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 March 1945. An attack by an infantry company on an enemy-held height was halted by the intense mortar, machine gun, and rifle fire of the defenders. Private Walraven noted two wounded soldiers lying without cover on the exposed crest of the hill and immediately went to their assistance. The enemy machine guns continued firing, raking the crest of the hill with their bursts, but with complete disregard for his safety he carried both casualties to a secure position out of the line of fire. Private Walraven gallantly risked his life to rescue two wounded comrades. Home address: Mrs. Cora B. Walraven, (mother), 742 West White Avenue, Grand Junction, Colorado.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain George H. Rogers 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:

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Captain GEORGE H. ROGERS, (0888207), 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 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Theresa M. Rogers, (mother), 10 Oak Street, Saugus, Massachusetts.

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:

Technician Fifth Grade DANIEL P. AUSTIN, (20633896), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea, the Netherlands East Indies, and the Philippine Islands from 5 November 1943 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Joyce E. Austin, (wife), 90 Middle Street, Randwick, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia.

Private First Class ROBERT E. BAINTON, (32768149), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 2 May 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Bainton, (mother), 525 Convery Boulevard, Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

Technician Fourth Grade FRANK H. CHARTIER, (36110675), 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 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elsie A. Chartier, (wife), Main Street, Beenleigh, Queensland, Australia.

Technician Fourth Grade EMERY C. DUNLAP, (39617579), 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 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Oma M. Dunlap, (mother), General Delivery, Livingston, Montana.

Technician Fourth Grade EDWARD FINK, (20630677), 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 15 November 1943 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Fink, (mother), 11680 Saint Aubin Avenue, Hamtramck, Michigan.

Corporal BARNEY FURNO JR., (35208332), 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 11 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Caroline Furne, (mother), Box 361, Herminie, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant OTTO G. GRAUMANN, (18027745), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Faye Lois Graumann, (wife), 213 North Almond Street, [redacted], Texas.

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Staff Sergeant JOHN HAKY, (36110918), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 16 April 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Haky, (mother), 5245 Trenton, Detroit, Michigan.

Captain TURGUT N. HAMDI, (0392358), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 31 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Esther A. Hamdi, (wife), 21 South Welles Avenue, Kingston, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN A. HESCH, (36209046), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 16 November 1944 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Kathryn Suess, (mother), Buckman, Minnesota.

Corporal GEORGE W. JEWELL, (36206953), 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 12 April 1945 to 18 April 1945. Corporal Jewell was an artillery observer attached to an infantry company defending a hill from attacks by the enemy. He made several trips from his observation post to a switchboard one thousand yards away to relay his findings. These trips were made under intense artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. He also led another observation party to its position over terrain being shelled by the enemy, and by his capable leadership brought the party safely to the destination. Corporal Jewell's heroic behavior under enemy fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Home address: Mrs. Bernice Jewell, (mother), Gillett, Wisconsin.

Captain HARRY G. KOPLING, (0430409), Dental Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 16 November 1944 to 17 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Kopling, (mother), 1309 South 24th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade LEWIS G. LEATHERS, (11029640), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 2 May 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ida C. Carr, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Pittsfield, Maine.

Captain DANIEL F. X. SHANNON, (0508704), Chaplain's Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 22 May 1945. Home address: Mr. William J. Shannon, (brother), 1056 42d Street, Alameda, California.

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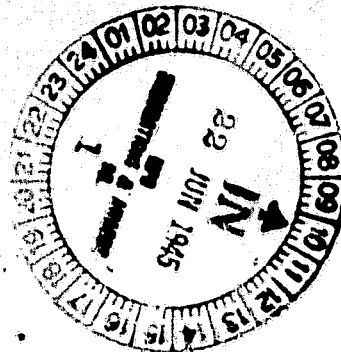
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AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL..... I  
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL..... II

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 following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant FRAIN T. PENA, (38073542), 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 26 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Juliana V. Pena, (mother), General Delivery, Santa Elena, Texas.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

Technician Fourth Grade RICHARD E. BAILEY, (35749815), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Glenna Hope Bailey, (wife), 324 Broad Street, Weston, West Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade WALTER B. DONNELLY, (32826299), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Julia Donnelly, (mother), 793 Washington Street, New York City, New York.

Sergeant CHARLES R. EVANS, (31344100), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Evans, (mother), 111 Charlotte Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

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Private First Class HENRY GONET, (31346623), 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 enemy opened fire with machine guns on the installations of a portable surgical hospital. Although numerous bullets were ripping through the canvas of the ward tent, Private Gonet, without thought for his own safety, assisted two other enlisted men in removing the patients to a safer locality. In spite of the extreme hazard he persevered at this task until all the patients had received protection. Private Gonet's heroic behavior reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Home address: Mrs. Sophie Gonet, (mother), 181 South Street, Chicopee, Massachusetts.

Technical Sergeant ALFRED L. IACONO, (32021613), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Stefano Iacono, (father), 319 Van Brunt Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Technician Fourth Grade JAMES D. MACKLIN, (37611888), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. June Macklin, (wife), 803 Erskine Avenue, LeMay, Missouri.

Private First Class LESLIE MASTERSON, (31302512), 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 enemy opened fire with machine guns on the installations of a portable surgical hospital. Although numerous bullets were ripping through the canvas of the ward tent, Private Masterson, without thought for his own safety, assisted two other enlisted men in removing the patients to a safer locality. In spite of the extreme hazard he persevered at this task until all the patients had received protection. Private Masterson's heroic behavior reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude Masterson, (mother), 31 Maplewood Street, Malden, Massachusetts.

Private First Class JOHN P. SULLIVAN, (36837784), 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 enemy opened fire with machine guns on the installations of a portable surgical hospital. Although numerous bullets were ripping through the canvas of the ward tent, Private Sullivan, without thought for his own safety, assisted two other enlisted men in removing the patients to a safer locality. In spite of the extreme

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hazard he persevered at this task until all the patients had received protection. Private Sullivan's heroic behavior reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary C. Sullivan, (wife), 853 Portland Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade GEORGE P. WERNESS, (37292396), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Einar Werness, (father), 307 First Avenue, North Fargo, North Dakota.

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I. RESCISSION OF AWARD:

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So much of Section II, General Orders No. 156, Headquarters 32d Infantry Division, dated 4 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Staff Sergeant HENRY E. BROOKS, 39592378, Infantry, is rescinded.

II. 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 ARBON C. HALE, (34377838), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 May 1945. Sergeant Hale led a four man patrol behind enemy lines on a reconnaissance mission. As they were returning to their perimeter with the desired information they were ambushed by a force of the enemy who subjected them to machine gun and small arms fire. Quickly appraising the situation, Sergeant Hale opened fire on the enemy, diverting their attention to himself, and thereby permitting the other three men to slip by the Japanese and safely reach the friendly perimeter. He held off the enemy until he was certain his three companions had won through to safety, and then attempted to withdraw, but was killed by the enemy's rifle fire. Sergeant Hale gallantly sacrificed his life in the protection of his comrades. Next of kin: Mrs. Laura L. Hale, (mother), Route #1, Gates, Tennessee.

Private First Class ORVILLE M. TOLLETT, (38540079), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 April 1945. Private Tollett was participating in an attack on hostile emplacements when a number of the enemy attempted to force their way past his position. He resisted determinedly with grenades and his automatic rifle, killing at least four of the enemy and wounding several others. He courageously maintained his post until he was mortally wounded. Private Tollett's heroic defense undoubtedly saved his companions from suffering many casualties. Next of kin: Mrs. Grace V. Clarke, (mother), 331 Fremont Street, North Chattanooga, Tennessee.

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III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant Henry E. Brooks by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, Section II, General Orders No. 61, dated 2 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:

Staff Sergeant HENRY E. BROOKS, (39592878), 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 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 officer 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 enemy strongpoints. Home address: Mrs. Wilma L. Brooks, (wife), 4224 East 32d Street, Maywood, California.

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:

~~Technician First Grade, WILLIAM L. CHENAULT, (33224924),~~  
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Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Lawican, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 March 1945. Technician Chenault and another enlisted man went to the aid of two wounded soldiers. Crawling under heavy and continuous machine gun fire, they succeeded in dragging one of the wounded into a declivity where it was possible for Technician Chenault to administer first aid. They returned to the second casualty and discovered him to be dead. Just as they had reached the body, a Japanese soldier appeared in the open. Technician Chenault's companion shot the enemy soldier and then, still exposed to the machine gun fire, they evacuated the body of the American out of the battle area. Technician Chenault underwent great danger in his efforts to help our wounded. Home address: Mrs. Russell L. Chenault, (mother), R.F.D. #9, South Richmond, Virginia.

Private OVALEE O. CRAIG, (34904700), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imaga, Luzon, Philippine

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Islands, on 23 April 1945. An infantry platoon attacked along a narrow ridge leading up a height. As they approached, an enemy machine gun opened fire at close range, wounding the two leading men. Private Craig immediately exposed himself to assist in carrying the two casualties away from the line of fire. He then returned to the assault, and with the aid of another enlisted man drove the enemy from their position by hurling grenades. Private Craig contributed to the saving of the two wounded soldiers and aided the platoon to consummate its mission. Home address: Mr. Robert Craig, (father), Marson, Tennessee.

Technical Sergeant EDWARD P. HOLLEMAN, (36155513), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 April 1945 to 17 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edward P. Holleman, (wife), Route 2, Hudsonville, Michigan.

Private ALLEN J. McCANN, (36949428), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Lawican, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 March 1945. Private McCann and another enlisted man went to the aid of two wounded soldiers. Crawling under heavy and continuous machine gun fire they succeeded in dragging one of the wounded into a declivity where it was possible for the other enlisted man to administer first aid. They returned to the second casualty and discovered him to be dead. Just as they had reached the body, a Japanese soldier appeared in the open. Private McCann shot the enemy soldier and then, still exposed to the machine gun fire, they evacuated the body of the American out of the battle area. Private McCann underwent great danger in his efforts to help our wounded. Home address: Mrs. Emma S. McCann, (mother), 7822 Union Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Master Sergeant CHARLES S. PASTUSEK, (38098450), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 April 1945 to 9 May 1945. Home address: Mr. John M. Pastusek, (father), 700 Polk Street, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Private First Class BURVLE RICE, (38661948), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 April 1945. An infantry platoon attacked along a narrow ridge leading up a height. As they approached, an enemy machine gun opened fire at close range, wounding the two leading men. Private Rice immediately exposed himself to assist in carrying the two casualties away from the line of fire. He then returned to the assault, and with the aid of another enlisted man drove the enemy from their position by hurling grenades. Private Rice contributed to the saving of the two wounded soldiers and aided the platoon to consummate its mission. Home address: Mrs. (mother), Praire Grove, Arkansas.

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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 Sergeant Everett C. Reese by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, Section V, General Orders No. 6, dated 9 January 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

First Sergeant EVERETT C. REESE, (20647945), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 27 November 1944 to 3 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alice Klug, (mother), 1013 Sanborn Street, Jefferson, Wisconsin.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

Technician Third Grade LA VIERNE L. ADER, (20648794), Ordnance Department, 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 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Ader, (mother), Route 2, Elmwood, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade DONALD R. ALBERTSON, (36257439), 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 February 1945. Technician Albertson was a member of a party of communications men attempting to reach a forward observation post. When they arrived at a stretch of open ground, a number of enemy snipers opened fire, and the wire men were instructed to return to their battalion area. However, Technician Albertson, realizing the vital importance to the observation post of the radio he carried, voluntarily made the perilous crossing. Although he was wounded in so doing, he continued on and delivered the radio at his destination. Technician

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Albertson displayed great courage in this incident. Home address: Mr. Edward Albertson, (brother), 4031 Fremont Avenue North, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) WALTER A. DUDA, (39386550), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. The efforts of an infantry company to maintain a newly won area were seriously hampered by the mortar and small arms fire of the enemy. Technician Duda, carrying a telephone and a reel of wire, crawled past the perimeter a distance of two hundred yards under fire to observe and report to our artillery the positions of the enemy's mortars. Technician Duda's accurate directions, given while he was exposed to the hostile fire, enabled our artillery to place an effective barrage on the Japanese mortars. Home address: Mrs. Mary Anna Duda, (mother), Mt. Angel, Oregon.

Technician Fourth Grade EDMOND A. JAMISZEWSKI, (36205612), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 23 November 1944 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Celia Janiszewski, (mother), 2938 South Twelfth Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Captain EDWARD A. MILAN, (02035015), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 28 March 1945 to 22 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruby E. Milan, (wife), 1648 West Adams Street, Los Angeles, California.

Private First Class GEORGE R. SELKIRK, (36163769), 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. Erma Selkirk, (mother), 412 West 8th Street, Traverse City, Michigan.

Technical Sergeant EUGENE C. WEINAND, (36208594), Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 15 May 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Weinand, (mother), Jackson, 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 officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant LINDEN A. CARDING, (0328141), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 14 April 1945 to 20 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Vera V. Carding, (wife), Tehlequah, Oklahoma.

Captain JOHN M. CISZEWSKI, (0371284), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 2 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose T. Ciszewski, (wife), 2043A South Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Major FRANKLIN H. COHEN, (0335939), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 18 September 1942 to 18 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lena L. Cohen, (mother), 553 Spotwood Avenue, Norfolk, Virginia.

Major (then Captain) JOSEPH D. FELDMAN, (0419441), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 17 November 1944 to 5 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rebecca Feldman, (mother), 29 Andover Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

Lieutenant Colonel EVAN M. HOUSEMAN, (017307), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 April 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Amy B. Houseman, (wife), 6 Yale Street, Maplewood, New Jersey.

Second Lieutenant BERNIE H. KATZ, (01690814), Medical Administrative Corps, 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 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sarah M. Katz, (mother), 215 Upland Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio.

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First Lieutenant ROBERT A. RUSSELL, (02037287), 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 8 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Brosn, (mother), 72 Charles Street, New York, New York.

Staff Sergeant MARVIN R. VAN HORN, (20630106), 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 November 1943 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ralph Irvin, (mother), Tweed, Ontario, Canada.

Staff Sergeant ARCHIE C. VANSKIKE, (R1036770), 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. Jewel M. Vanskike, (wife), 4723 Avenue "J", Galveston, Texas.

II. AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL:

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

First Lieutenant DEBBIE J. RICHARD, (02037217), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 21 April 1945 to 15 May 1945. Lieutenant Ri Chard made a large number of reconnaissance flights in an unarmored liaison plane, often in inclement weather, over territory where enemy fire was encountered. Home address: Mrs. Ella May Ri Chard, (wife), 1010 25th Avenue, Tampa, Florida.

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

I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

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

Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant) LESTER A. CARLSON, (02027285), Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Kayapa, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 19 March 1945 to 27 March 1945. Lieutenant Carlson led a small patrol deep into enemy territory to observe the amount and type of traffic on a road of strategic importance. Carrying only a minimum of supplies and without communication with its base, the patrol moved by forced marches under cover of night. After four nights of such travel an observation post was established less than two hundred yards from the road to be observed, and from this hazardous location Lieutenant Carlson was able to glean much valuable information. He succeeded in contacting friendly civilians whose reports contributed information above that which he had expected to procure on the enemy's movements and installations. Lieutenant Carlson's fearless and highly capable leadership were largely responsible for the success of the patrol's mission. Home address: Mr. John Carlson, (father), R.F.D. #2, Sheffield, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class MANUEL P. GARCIA, (42065534), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 May 1945. Private Garcia was serving as lead scout of a patrol when he observed three of the enemy taking refuge in a cave. Advancing rapidly, he tossed grenades into the mouth of the cave and then shot the three Japanese as they ran out. He then flushed three more enemy soldiers out of caves by tossing grenades, and these three he also succeeded in killing. By these highly courageous actions Private Garcia completely cleared the area of the enemy and made it possible for the patrol to successfully complete its mission. Home address: Angelina Crespo Ruiz, (wife), Avenida Del Oeste, "Ente" Abella Y Aldabo, Los Pinos, Havana, Cuba.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES J. GULLO, (32585983), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 30 April 1945. Sergeant Gullo led his platoon in an attack on an enemy-held ridge. Following the initial fighting, the platoon was able to occupy the objective,

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but shortly afterward the enemy placed such a volume of machine gun and small arms fire on the position that Sergeant Gullo was forced to withdraw the platoon to a less exposed locality. During the withdrawal he observed that one of his men was seriously wounded and unable to withdraw under his own power. He immediately dashed to the man's side and, although himself wounded by the hostile fire directed at him, succeeded in dragging the casualty to a position of safety. Sergeant Gullo gallantly risked his life to rescue a comrade. Home address: Mrs. Mary L Gullo, (wife), 31 Hopkin Street, Mt. Morris, 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, 1st Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Captain GEORGE GOODKIN, (0348664), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Samuel Goodkin, (father), 1697 Andrews Avenue, New York, New York.

Private First Class RAYMOND OLSON, (39392744), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 3 December 1944. Private Olson was driving an ambulance containing many critically wounded cases in need of immediate surgery when he came to a section of the road controlled by the fire of a nearby Japanese machine gun. Realizing that any delay might prove fatal to some of his patients, he courageously braved the intense fire and proceeded up the road to his destination. Private Olson's brave and devoted action undoubtedly saved the lives of several of the casualties. Home address: Mr. Ernest Olson, (brother), Route 1, Box 170, Delhi, California.

Private First Class STANLEY A PAWLUS, (36110906), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 3 December 1944. Private Pawlus was driving an ambulance containing many critically wounded cases in need of immediate surgery when he came to a section of the road controlled by the fire of a nearby Japanese machine gun. Realizing that any delay might prove fatal to some of his patients, he courageously braved the intense fire and proceeded up the road to his destination. Private Pawlus' brave and devoted action undoubtedly saved the lives of several of the casualties. Home address: Mrs. Pauline Pawlus, (mother), 5960 Tarnow Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Private MARIO RUSSO, (32307172), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on

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8 April 1945. Private Russo and another enlisted man were occupying a position on the edge of a perimeter when a force of the enemy charged their foxhole. Although grenades were bursting around them and machine gun fire was trained on their position, they staunchly defended their post. One of the Japanese succeeded in breaking through and bayoneting both of them before they killed him. They killed two more of the enemy following closely behind, and subsequently they defended the position against several more attacks during the night. Private Russo's heroic behavior saved the perimeter from being overrun by the hostile force. Home address: Mr. Leonard Russo, (father), 249 14th Avenue, Newark, New Jersey.


Sergeant (then Private First Class) FRANK A SANCHEZ, (39054479), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 April 1945. Sergeant Sanchez and another enlisted man were occupying a position on the edge of a perimeter when a force of the enemy charged their foxhole. Although grenades were bursting around them and machine gun fire was trained on their position, they staunchly defended their post. One of the Japanese succeeded in breaking through and bayoneting both of them before they killed him. They killed two more of the enemy following closely behind, and they subsequently defended the position against several more attacks during the night. Sergeant Sanchez' heroic behavior saved the perimeter from being overrun by the hostile force. Home address: Mrs. Consuelo R. Sanchez, (wife), 870 Alma Street, Mountain View, California.

Technician Fifth Grade LEONARD SIMS, (38228135), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 April 1945. A company area was subjected to heavy artillery and mortar fire which inflicted many casualties. Technician Sims left his secure position to crawl in the midst of the barrage to administer first aid to the wounded men. With complete disregard for his personal safety, he continued at this hazardous task until all the casualties had been treated. He then assisted in their evacuation to a safer position. By his heroic action Technician Sims undoubtedly saved several lives. Home address: Mrs. Lulu Sims, (mother), General Delivery, Hamilton, Texas.

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Under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9396, 22 November 1943, (Section I, Bulletin 22, War Department, 1943), and Section IV, Circular Number 333, War Department, 22 December 1943, Company "C", 127th Infantry, is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy near the Ormoc Highway, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 15 December 1944.

As a result of a wide flanking movement by our forces, a large Japanese pocket was trapped. The only supply or evacuation route open to this enemy force was the Ormoc highway. On 15 December 1944, Company C, 127th Infantry, was ordered to establish a road-block on the Ormoc highway to prevent these troops from being supplied or reinforced. Many enemy tanks were known to be in the area and were expected to resist any attempt by our forces to establish or maintain the block. The men of Company C, armed with grenades, rifles, automatic weapons, mortars and bazookas, had just moved into position when the enemy struck. Ten (10) light tanks supported by well armed ground troops comprised the enemy force. In addition, the enemy directed intense 75mm and 150mm artillery fire against Company C's positions. Although the men were subject to point-blank fire from the enemy tanks, a hail of bullets from the numerically superior enemy ground troops, and point-blank fire from the enemy artillery, they never ceased to face the challenge and return the fire to the foe. The men of Company C, by the accuracy of their fire, by the excellent coordination of small arms and bazookas, completely routed the enemy. The mortars and a special patrol succeeded in putting out of action two 75mm and one 150mm artillery pieces which the enemy had been employing. When the smoke of the battle cleared there remained nine (9) enemy tanks completely destroyed and the other severely damaged. The crews of those tanks as well as many of the supporting ground troops were killed. An aggressive assault against the disorganized remnants of the routed foe resulted in his complete annihilation. The courage and disregard for personal safety shown by the officers and enlisted men of Company C is a credit to the armed forces. This operation was a determining factor in the final successful break-through by our troops during the following days and played a vital role in the successful completion of the task of breaking all enemy resistance on Leyte.

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

Master Sergeant JEROME E. BOEHLER, (20656033), 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 30 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Edward J. Boehler, (father), 3177 North 42d Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Sergeant LAWRENCE A. CRAVEN, (36110974), Medical Department, 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 13 December 1943 to 29 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Grace M. Craven, (mother), 3685 Pontiac Road, Pontiac, Michigan.

Technician Third Grade MYRON E. EWING, (20652639), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 and 20 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Omer Ewing, (mother), Ontario, Wisconsin.

Sergeant WILLIAM P. FARNAM, (20116150), 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 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Farnam, (mother), 72 Otis Street, Medford, Massachusetts.

Technician Fourth Grade WILLIE A. JENKINS, (18068479), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 April 1945 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Charlotte Belle Jenkins, (mother), San Patricio, New Mexico.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES H. O'CONNOR, JR., (36110147), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 24 March 1945 to 2 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Katherine O'Connor, (mother), 15466 Pinchurst Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

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Staff Sergeant (then Corporal) CLESON S. STEWART, (36206626), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 and 20 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Selah M. Steward, (mother), Elk Mound, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM J. SULLIVAN, (31028010), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 1 February 1945 to 9 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lena Sullivan, (mother), 31 Chase Avenue, Lowell, Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade GENO F. THOMASELLI, (35560173), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 April 1945 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Thomaselli, (mother), 750 Main Street, Follansbee, West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant EDMUND W. WOJTEWICZ, (36110870), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 16 November 1944 to 17 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Honorata Wojtowicz, (mother), 9114 Keller Street, Detroit, Michigan.

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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:

Technical Sergeant LEWIS F. REECE, (36155425), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 April 1945. Sergeant Reece deployed his platoon to defend a stretch of ground newly won from the enemy. The enemy attacked in force and threatened to overrun the perimeter, when Sergeant Reece, observing a machine gun to be unmanned, sprang to the weapon and directed a stream of withering fire at the hostile forces. The intense and accurate fire of the machine gun first slowed the enemy's assault and then drove them from the position. The courageous and vigorous action of Sergeant Reece, performed while himself under fire, was the main factor in the repulse of the hostile forces. Next of kin: Mrs. Laura Reece, (mother), 1427 Bristol Road, E. ., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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:

Staff Sergeant VERNON J. ZUERN, (20634895), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Rosa, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 March 1945. During an attack on enemy installations on the crest of a hill Sergeant Zuern observed three men to be lying wounded under the cross fire of the hostile machine guns. He immediately dashed to their position and pulled two of them back over the crest of the hill. The third casualty had fallen at a point twenty yards from the crest, but Sergeant Zuern, with utter disregard for the machine gun fire sweeping the terrain, ran to the man and carried him to safety. At great risk to himself Sergeant Zuern saved the lives of his three comrades. Home address: Mrs. Rose Zuern, (mother), 403 Sheridan Street, Big Rapids, Michigan.

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

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

Private First Class FEDERICO Z. ATENCIO, (37350982), 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 March 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Manuelito Atencio, (mother), Route #1, Box 32, Antonito, Colorado.

Private First Class ROBERT J. CAPERS, (38542634), 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 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary I. Capers, (mother), General Delivery, Oakhurst, Texas.

IV. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Fifth Grade Stanley Markiewicz by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section III, General Orders No. 55, dated 28 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:

Technician Fifth Grade STANLEY MARKIEWICZ, (33144483), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 2 May 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Prantow, (mother), 50 Upper Shaft, Shaft, Pennsylvania.

V. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel Frank W. Murphy by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, General Orders No. 9, dated 12 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:

Lieutenant Colonel, FRANK W. MURPHY, (0370163), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 31 January 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs.

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vania.VI. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

Private First Class WALTER D. BRONCZYK, (36717966), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 April 1945. During an enemy mortar barrage a direct hit was scored on an ammunition dump, starting a fire that threatened to ignite shells piled near by. Private Bronczyk, aware that the pile might explode at any moment, left his position of cover and working in the midst of the barrage extinguished the flames. In the performance of this highly courageous action Private Bronczyk received severe burns on both his hands. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Bronczyk, (mother), Box 268, Norway, Michigan.

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM DOERNBACH, (02023686), 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 26 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Era Lorene Doernbach, (wife), 413 Euclid, Lawton, Oklahoma.

Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) EDWARD F. ESKRA, (36063891), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Eskra, (mother), R.R. #2, Staunton, Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade THELON D. ISENSEE, (20645400), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 2 May 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Isensee, (mother), 707 Central Avenue, Sparta, Wisconsin.

Private MERVIL H. SHAFMAN, (20645417), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 2 May 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Harvey F. Shafman, (father), R.F.D. #1, Friendship, Wisconsin.

Private First Class EMIL T. STRANDQUIST, (36610555), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 2 May 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address:

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Mrs. Esther Strandquist, (mother), 9134 Fairview Avenue, Brookfield, Illinois.

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

Technician Fifth Grade FORTUNATO D. ARREDONDO, (38251129), Medical Department, 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: Mr. H. Arredondo, (father), 507 North Spring Street, San Antonio, Texas.

Private First Class JOHN R. KROLL, (36359265), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 April 1945. Home address: Mr. P. H. Kroll, (father), 109 Scoville Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois.

Private First Class IVEY LANGSTON JR., (34314993), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Ivey Langston, (father), Route 2, Box 87, Nashville, North Carolina.

Captain REFORD B. NICHOLS, (01108602), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 31 March 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances L. Nichols, (wife), 203 North 11th, Muskagee, Oklahoma.

Second Lieutenant JAMES K. PERRIN, (01047723), Coast Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 7 April 1945 to 14 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Arthur K. Perrin, (father), 41-14 49 Street, Long Island City, New York.

First Lieutenant MARVIN T. RAINEY, (01170929), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothea L. Rainey, (wife), 2522 North Fifth Street, St. Joseph, Missouri.

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Private First Class SEBASTIAN A. ZARBANO, (37472528), Medical Department, 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. Sarah Zarbano, (mother), 1421 Vinton Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

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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:

First Lieutenant FRANCIS J. ALBRIGHT, (01302750), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 26 March 1945 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sara C. McElhanna, (mother), 2547 South Wansaker Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Corporal FRANK ANZELC, (35023108), Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Anzalc, (mother), 329 Ninth Street, S.W., Chisholm, Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), ROBERT E. BAYER, (32211706), 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 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie C. Bayer, (mother), 162 West William Street, Corning, New York.

Sergeant JOHN R. BOTHWELL, (34057862), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 4 February 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Bothwell, (mother), 1909 Logwood Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

Captain CHARLES F. BRADLEY, (0308886), 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 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Z. Bradley, (wife), 503 Beacon Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

Private First Class ROGER P. DANIS, (36855425), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 26 March 1945 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mr. G. J. Danis, (father), 4840 Canton Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

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First Lieutenant PHILIP C. HERNE, (02035848), Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 27 April 1945 to 21 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Harry W. Herne, (father), Mardela Springs, Maryland.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM F. KING, (36720087), Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 May 1945. Technician King was guarding a portion of a perimeter when he observed a number of figures approaching through the darkness. He kept his sub-machine gun at the ready as another guard challenged the indistinguishable figures. As the challenge was given two grenades were thrown, the explosion wounding the second guard. Without regard for his own safety Technician King opened fire and succeeded in driving the attackers away. A large bundle of sticks of dynamite were found abandoned near the position. If it had not been for Technician King's prompt and courageous action, serious damage might have been inflicted by the Japanese party on our personnel and installations. Home address: Mrs. Grace Morris, 1252 South Central Park Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

First Sergeant MARION SEBOROWSKI, (36111412), Infantry, 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. Francis Seborowski, (mother), 2970 Trowbridge, Hamtramck, Michigan.

First Lieutenant GEORGE C. WELCH, (02054930), Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 15 April 1945 to 27 April 1945. Home address: Mr. William C. Welch, (father), Lu Verne, Alabama.

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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 3 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), the Silver star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Sergeant WALTER A. GIBBS, (53636240), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 April 1945. In an attack on an enemy held ridge Sergeant Gibbs' squad was pinned down by the heavy fire of a hostile machine gun emplaced in a nearby inaccessible position. Deploying his men so as to furnish him covering fire, he advanced gallantly under the intense fire directed at him to a point close enough to enable him to knock out the enemy machine gun with hand grenades. This courageous action of Sergeant Gibbs enabled the squad to move forward and attain its objective. Next of kin: Mr. Floyd C. Gibbs, (father), Route #2, Petersburg, Virginia.

Second Lieutenant ANDREW J. GILLELAND, (01327833), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 April 1945. Lieutenant Gilleland led his platoon in a successful attack on an enemy held hill. Having won the objective he immediately made all preparations for the expected counter-attack, deploying his men in the best possible defensive positions. When the Japanese assault began, he sprang to the front, hurling grenades that killed at least five of the enemy. This highly courageous action of Lieutenant Gilleland broke up the attack and caused the hostile force to disperse. Next of kin: Mrs. Catherine D. Gilleland, (mother), Echo Park Circle, Wheeling, West Virginia.

Sergeant JOHN A. HERON, (58513396), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Mt. Imugan, Philippine Islands, on 3 May 1945. Sergeant Heron's company advancing upon a hostile force resisting from strong dugout positions. When he observed a man to fall wounded in front of a cave occupied by enemy soldiers, he moved into the open and directed fire at the mouth of the cave, diverting the major portion of the Japanese fire to himself, and enabling other men to crawl forward and remove the casualty from the line of fire. Sergeant Heron received a mortal wound in the performance of this extremely

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heroic action. Next of kin: Mrs. Gussie B. Heron, (mother), General Delivery, Stephenville, Texas.

Staff Sergeant WILBERT R. SMITH, (36682989), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Mt. Imba, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 April 1945. Sergeant Smith participating in an attack against hostile positions when advance of his squad was halted by the close range fire of enemy machine gun. Deploying his men to furnish him cover from fire, he advanced alone to within a few feet of the gun position and knocked out the weapon and four-man crew by hurling grenades. Sergeant Smith's courageous action made it possible for the squad to fulfill its mission. Next of kin: Mrs. Rose Smith, (mother), 2046 Dale Road, Norwood, Ohio.

II. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 48, WD, 1918), the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant SEYMOUR J. BINDA, (0425703), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 and 6 March 1945. Lieutenant Binda exposed himself to heavy machine gun and small arms fire in order to direct mortar fire on a number of enemy emplacements. The following morning he led an assault against the Japanese positions. During this action he distinguished himself repeatedly by his gallantry under fire and his capable and vigorous leadership. Lieutenant Binda's heroic example inspired his men to capture the objective with great loss to the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Antoinette Simon, (sister), 56 Lancaster Street, Albany, New York.

Lieutenant Colonel DOUGLAS E. DES ROSIER, (0277321), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 April 1945. Colonel Des Rosier led the attack of his men down the forward slope of a hill against strongly defended enemy positions. Proceeding with the next forward elements, he personally directed the attack which successfully attained the objective. Colonel Des Rosier's gallantry under intense hostile fire, and his extremely capable leadership contributed much to the success of this action. Home address: Mrs. Norrell H. Des Rosier, (wife), 513 9th Street, Southeast, Paris, Texas.

Technician Third Grade ANTHONY V. FARONE, (36338473), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Ambayaban River, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 March 1945. Technician Farone led a litter squad to rescue two wounded men lying on terrain exposed to enemy machine gun and sniper fire.

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Accompanied by another enlisted man he crawled to the nearest of the casualties, and after administering first aid, assisted him to crawl back to the position of the litter squad. He then returned for the second casualty, and although the hostile fire directed at them was so intense that the wounded man was struck again, he succeeded in dragging him to a position of safety. Technician Farone gallantly risked his life to save the two wounded soldiers. Home address: Mrs. Marie Farone, (mother), 1310 South Cicero Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant Charles W. Shaffer by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, General Orders No. 116, dated 18 May 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:

Staff Sergeant CHARLES W. SHAFFER, (33274111), 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 May 1945. An attack by an infantry company across hilly ground was pinned down by the intense machine gun and small arms fire of the enemy. It was decided that supporting mortar fire was needed to reduce the enemy's opposition, and Sergeant Shaffer took a post on an exposed knoll and gave the requisite directions. In spite of the intense fire directed at him he stayed at his dangerous task until the action of our mortars was completed. The eventual success of the company's mission was due in great part to the accuracy of Sergeant Shaffer's direction of the mortars. Home address: Mr. Harry R. Schaffer, (father), Box 386, Farrell, 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 1, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain CARROL T. ALY, (0491023), Chaplain's Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 March 1945 to 18 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Baulch M. Aly, (wife), 415 Dunn Street, Waxahachie, Texas.

Technical Sergeant JOHN J. ASHELD, (32310589), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 15 November 1944 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna P. Asheld, (mother), 54-45 65th Place, Maspeth, Long Island, New York.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH R. COOPER, (56155789), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 25 October 1942 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mr. John R. Cooper, (brother), 2116 College Street, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade LE ROY H. DAYTON, (39249593), 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 13 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Shirley T. Dayton, (wife), 425 South Front Street, Los Angeles, California.

Private First Class JOHN F. GEYMANN, (36377832), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 29 August 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary K. Geymann, (wife), 410 Lothrop Avenue, Grand Pointe, Michigan.

Private First Class ADOLPH J. LATOCK, JR., (325491...), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imba, Philippine Islands, on 3 May 1945. During an attack upon an enemy held hill, Private Latock observed a company of enemy soldiers lying seriously wounded at a point twenty yards from his position.

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relatively covered position. Without thought for his own he dashed forward and under the intense machine gun and fire of the enemy succeeded in dragging the casualty behind the ridge and out of the line of the hostile fire. Private courageously risked his life to save a wounded comrade. address: Mrs. Annie Mateck, (mother), Route #1, Damon, Texas.

Captain ROY H. MC CLURE, (01301539), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen McClure, (wife), 115 North Sweetzer Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Private First Class WILLIAM D. MYERS, (38415911), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 25 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lillian P. Meyers, (mother), Box 532, Boeias, Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT E. TRUDELL, (20630532), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 31 October 1942 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Lloyd Trudell, (father), 2263 Hartlandale, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade KENNETH H. WILSON, (39240303), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 25 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara Wilson, (mother), 1825 North Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

First Lieutenant ROBERT L. ZIPPRICH, (01301748), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 5 February 1945 to 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Susan R. Zipprich, (wife), 630 Anza Street, San Francisco, California.

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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 following named enlisted man:

Sergeant ROBERTO GARZA, (38114035), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 April 1945. Sergeant Garza led a litter party down the slope of a hill to rescue a wounded soldier exposed to the machine gun and sniper fire of the enemy. During the course of the evacuation the party came under heavy fire, and Sergeant Garza was seriously wounded. In spite of his injuries he would accept no medical attention until he had led the group back to the safety of our positions. This extreme devotion to duty on the part of Sergeant Garza reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Generera Garza, (mother), Box 546, Robbreville, Texas.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

Private First Class JAMES E. BARNHILL, (38477222), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 April 1945. During the course of an enemy artillery barrage Private Barnhill heard cries for help coming from a foxhole fifteen yards from his own. Realizing there was a wounded man in need of assistance, he left his shelter and crawled the intervening distance to the casualty's position. He dragged the wounded soldier to a sheltered point where an aid man was able to administer first aid, and then, since there was not sufficient shelter for the three of them, crawled an additional thirty yards under the continuing barrage to another foxhole. Private Barnhill fearlessly risked his life to help a wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Estelle Barnhill, (mother), Route #1, Kennard, Texas.

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Private First Class RAYMOND KREITZ, (35593257), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 May 1945. Private Kreitz was participating in an attack against enemy-held positions when he received a severe arm wound as the result of the machine gun and small arms fire of the enemy. Refusing medical aid he continued in the advance and was struck again, this time receiving a scalp wound. Feeling that his efforts were needed to successfully consummate the attack, he once more refused assistance and proceeded with his companions. He bravely continued on until, in the final phase of the action, he received a third wound. Private Kreitz' exceptional fortitude and devotion to duty served as an inspiration to his comrades. Home address: Mr. Raymond A. Kreitz, (father), Route #1, Clinton, Ohio.

Private JAMES R. LEWIS, (39475712), 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 8 May 1945. Many casualties were received by an infantry company attacking against formidable enemy positions. Private Lewis moved about under the intense hostile machine gun and sniper fire administering first aid to numerous wounded men. He ran great risk in the performance of his task, but without thought for his own safety he persevered in the treatment of the casualties. Private Lewis' ministrations saved the lives of several of our wounded. Home address: Mr. Hiram C. Lewis, (father), General Delivery, Selan, Washington.

Technician Fifth Grade RALPH E. LIBRMAN, (39386905), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasian Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 13 November 1944. During the entire course of an intense artillery barrage on positions occupied by our troops, Technician Librman, abandoning cover, exposed himself to great danger by moving about the area to treat casualties and to assist in their evacuation after treatment. The ministrations of Technician Librman, performed under direct and heavy enemy artillery fire, undoubtedly saved the lives of several wounded soldiers. Home address: Mrs. Rosa Librman, (mother), Route 2, 604 Cleveland, Gresham, Oregon.

Private First Class CHARLES F. PAYNE, (36560665), 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 April 1945. In order to maintain wireless communication during a movement by his battalion it was necessary for Private Payne to operate a switchboard at a dangerously exposed locality. When the enemy subjected the area to a concentrated artillery and mortar barrage, he remained at his post and continued at his important task. Private Payne's

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courageous services greatly assisted his unit to successfully complete its mission. Home address: Mr. William Payne, (father), 5364 Bewick Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

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I. RESCISSION OF AWARD:

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So much of Section IV, General Orders No. 166, Headquarters 32d Infantry Division, dated 10 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM F. CHENAULT, 33224924, Medical Department, is rescinded.

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

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

Staff Sergeant JAMES T. ROBBINS, (34342361), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Bagan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 May 1945. Sergeant Robbins led a patrol to remove a road block established by the enemy to prevent aid from reaching a group of wounded soldiers. Acting as lead scout he reconnoitered the position and received a shoulder wound when the enemy opened fire. In spite of his hurt he stood his ground, directing the action of his men so capably and vigorously that all enemy resistance was quelled, although he received a mortal wound in the final phase of the fighting. Sergeant Robbins' courageous leadership contributed greatly to the successful completion of this mission. Next of kin: Mrs. Loslie S. Robbins, (mother), Route 3, Rienzi, Mississippi.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Fifth Grade William F. Chenault, 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:

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Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM F. CHENAULT, (37224924), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Lawican, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 March 1945. Technician Chenault and another enlisted man went to the aid of two wounded soldiers. Crawling under heavy and continuous machine gun fire, they succeeded in dragging one of the wounded into a declivity where it was possible for technician Chenault to administer first aid. They returned to the second casualty and discovered him to be dead. Just as they had reached the body a Japanese soldier appeared in the open. Technician Chenault's companion shot the enemy soldier and then, still exposed to the machine gun fire, they evacuated the body of the American out of the battle area. Technician Chenault underwent great danger in his efforts to help our wounded. Home address: Mrs. Russell L. Chenault, (mother), R.F.D. #9, South Richmond, 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, D, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Third Grade JOSEPH BARTOK, (36208695), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 15 November 1944 to 5 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances Bartok, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Racine, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) ARGUS D. BAXTER, (38271002), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 April 1945 to 11 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle C. Baxter, (mother), Box 235, Seama, California.

Second Lieutenant LEONARD P. GARCIA, JR., (02024310), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 4 May 1945 to 23 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Garcia, (mother), Junkie, Louisiana.

Staff Sergeant HERBERT F. HARTMANN, (37181176), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 26 March 1945 to 13 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Hartmann, (mother), Beaufort, Missouri.

Private First Class ELECTOR L. LE COUR, (31521433), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in

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connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose LeCours, (mother), 417 Waldo Street, Rumford, Maine.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) WALTER O. LUMPKIN, (58086955), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 to 22 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mary Anne Sisson, (mother), R.R. #1, Box 437 Kenryotta, Oklahoma.

Corporal RICHARD G. MAHON, (32194788), 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 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances Mahon, (mother), 3937 Harper Avenue, Bronx, New York.

First Lieutenant JAMES J. MILLINER, (02035388), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 23 November 1944. Home address: Mr. Arthur J. Milliner, (father), Box 656, Phoenix, Arizona.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) ROBERT N. ROSS, (39848323), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 1 May 1944 to 9 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Walter Ross, (mother), 227 South Grande Avenue, Tucson, Arizona.

Corporal JOSEPH T. SANOK, JR., (35582137), 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 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Stephany Sanok, (mother), 1629 Maryland Street, Gary, Indiana.

First Sergeant ROBERT SCHWARTZ, (20058806), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 10 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Ray Schwartz, (brother), 113 South Main Street, Hartford, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT F. THOMAS, (39130469), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 25 April 1945 to 11 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alta Thomas, (mother), Route 1, Box 247, Sebastopol, California.

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**ORIGINAL ORDER**

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

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

Private First Class THOMAS B. ODDSEN, (36039771), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 March 1945. Private Oddsen defended a portion of his platoon's perimeter against repeated attacks by numerically superior enemy forces. So fierce were the hostile assaults that two Japanese were felled by him only inches from his foxhole. At one time during the action he stood up fully exposed to the enemy fire in order to treat the wound of a severely injured comrade. When the platoon was ordered to withdraw to secondary positions he manned an abandoned machine gun and by the accuracy and intensity of his fire broke up an enemy charge. The intrepid achievements of Private Oddsen played a major part in the defeat of the Japanese attack. Home address: Mrs. Marie M. Oddsen, (wife), 231 Kane Street, Geneva, Illinois.

Private First Class MILLARD M. SWOFFORD, (38064804), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Celibong, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 March 1945. The enemy placed a heavy artillery barrage on our positions, wounding Private Swofford 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 assisted in the evacuation of the wounded. After all the known wounded were accounted for, he further exposed himself to carefully check each foxhole for casualties that might have been overlooked. Private Swofford displayed exceptional fortitude and courage in this action. Home address: Mrs. Virginia May Swofford, (wife), 523 East Second Street, Stroud, Oklahoma.

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:

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Technical Sergeant HYNA K. BRAKEL, (37314541), 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. Elizabeth Brakel, (mother), Hardsfield, North Dakota.

Private First Class ROBERT E. COLE, (32667453), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 March 1945. Private Cole undertook the dangerous mission of laying wire communication lines across terrain subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire and over which moved numerous Japanese patrols. Private Cole's successful performance of this hazardous assignment greatly aided our troops in the operations against the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Virginia S. Cole, (wife), 132 Chestnut Street, Albany, New York.

Second Lieutenant GEORGE R. MC LEOD, JR., (02026983), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nina N. McLeod, (mother), 24 Chinquapin Village, Alexandria, Virginia.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) MARCISCO M. OZUNA, (38061662), 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 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Horlinda McAllen Ozuna, (mother), General Delivery, Victoria, Texas.

Major PAUL J. FERNISH, (0348225), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 16 April 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Tillie Fernish, (wife), 715 Ash Street, Owosso, Michigan.

Private First Class ERICH W. SMERKIS, (32966823), 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. Solma Smorkis, (mother), 3241 45th Street, Long Island City, New York City.

Technical Sergeant JOHN J. WYBORSKI, (35280468), 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. Rose Wyborski, (aunt), 3235 Mahor Street, Toledo, Ohio.



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

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

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

Technician Fifth Grade CLARENCE H. CARLSEN, (37313781), 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 May 1944 to 24 April 1945. Next of kin: Mr. Haakon Carlsen, (father), 926 East 13th Street, Duluth, Minnesota.

Technician Fourth Grade GEORGE E. SEEKELL, (36309350), Ordnance Department, 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 24 April 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Rose Seekell, (mother), 2655 Belden Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

Staff Sergeant ROY J. COWELL, (20635473), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 April 1945 to 2 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sadie Cowell, (mother), 140 Goldsboro Place, NE, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Technician Third Grade MARVIN E. ERDMANN, (36204909), Medical Department, 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 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Otto Erdmann, (father), 1322 South 9th Street, Shoboygan, Wisconsin.

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Technician Third Grade SHIGERU HIGASHI, (39019001), 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: Mr. George Seko, (brother), 60-7-A, Poston, Arizona.

First Lieutenant (then First Sergeant) GERALD P. HUGHES, (01696313), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea from 15 May 1944 to 1 August 1944. Home address: Mr. William J. Hughes, (father), 401 13th Street, Bay City, Michigan.

Major NORBERT G. JOSTEN, (0372746), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea from 17 July 1944 to 16 August 1944. Home address: Mrs. Harriet Josten, (wife), 6819 Milwaukee Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Third Grade HARRY T. KUBO, (39019303), 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: Mr. James J. Okui, (uncle), 220 North San Jose Avenue, Burbank, California.

Technician Third Grade PAUL L. MILLER, (34773426), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 19 November 1944 to 9 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. A. L. Miller, (mother), 200 South Forbes Street, Greensboro, North Carolina.

Captain GLYDE R. MILSTER, (0401288), 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 2 January 1944 to 9 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Ben C. Milster, (father), 5428 Holly Hills, St. Louis, Missouri.

Technician Fourth Grade RICHARD A. WEISS, (17153848), 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. Ruth Weiss, (mother), 1118 Edgerton Street, St. Paul, Minnesota.

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR..... I  
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 AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER..... V

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:

First Lieutenant JAMES W. RICHARDS, (O2037218), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 April 1945. Lieutenant Richards was in charge of an observation party at a forward point when the enemy laid down a heavy artillery and mortar barrage on his position. In spite of the great hazard of his exposed post he coolly contacted our artillery and directed a counter-barrage which successfully broke up the attack that followed the enemy's bombardment. Lieutenant Richard's capable direction of our artillery, performed while he was under direct and intense hostile fire, was the major factor in the smashing of a formidable enemy attack. Home address: Mr. Victor Paul Richards, (brother), Safford, Arizona.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant George Nesterick by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, Section I, General Orders No. 70, 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:

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) GEORGE NESTERICK, (36110962), Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 20 January 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Nesterick, (mother), 253 Rockwell, Pontiac, Michigan.

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III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain Florian C. Plachinski by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, Section V, General Orders No. 83, dated 14 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 (then First Lieutenant) FLORIAN C. PLACHINSKI, (0385188), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 April 1945. Captain Plachinski's company was occupying a position on a hill within fifty yards of the Japanese lines. The enemy dropped bombs on the area, burying Captain Plachinski beneath a pile of debris from which he was rescued just before reaching the point of complete suffocation. In spite of the severe shock and numerous contusions from which he was suffering, he refused evacuation for himself and moved over terrain now being subjected to hostile mortar and machine gun fire to direct the treatment and the evacuation of the wounded. He then reorganized the defense of the company's position so that the fire of the enemy was vigorously and effectively returned. Captain Plachinski's fortitude and courage in this incident served as an inspiration to his men. Home address: Mrs. Valerie E. Plachinski, (wife), 4031 South Lake Drive, Cudahy, Wisconsin.

IV. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Major Louis A. Sass by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 4, Section V, General Orders No. 6, dated 9 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:

Major LOUIS A. SASS, (0325945), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 31 January 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elsie R. Sass, (wife), 6366 South Keating Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

V. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain Sidney Spector by the Commanding General, Americal Infantry Division, as published on page 3,

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General Orders No. 152, dated 8 October 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 SIDNEY SPECTOR, (O491420), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 April 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Morris Spector, (father), 299 Atkins Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

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General Orders No. 152, dated 8 October 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 SIDNEY SPECTOR, (O491420), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 April 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Morris Spector, (father), 299 Atkins Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

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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 Frank J. Bouchard by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section II, General Orders No. 35, dated 1 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:

Master Sergeant FRANK J. BOUCHARD, (36204739), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Charles Bouchard, (mother), 809 Mather Street, Green Bay, 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 enlisted men:

Sergeant THEO R. ALEXANDER, (36104638), 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 7 November 1943 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nigel N. Alexander, (wife), 213 West Jackson Avenue, Flint 5, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) JAMES E. CAMPBELL, (34120248), 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 25 April 1945. Home address: Mr. William F. Campbell, (father), Route 4, Easley, South Carolina.

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND C. DAVIO, (36110045), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 22 November 1944 to 24 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Theresa Davio, (mother), 7656 Puritan Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

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Staff Sergeant IRVING FARLEY, (20116149), 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 25 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Charles H. Farley, (father), 87 Quincy Street, Medford, Massachusetts.

Technician Third Grade MASATO IWAMOTO, (18184287), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Akira Iwamoto, (brother), % YMCA, 826 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Technical Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) LLOYD J. KNUTSON, (39383194), Finance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 March 1944 to 31 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Theodore Knutson, (father), 1027 Pacific Avenue, Tacoma 2, Washington.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) GERALD L. KRUMM, (35621360), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Krumm, (mother), 3250 East 5th Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH J. MAJKA, (31007450), 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 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Majka, (mother), 37 North Street, Three Rivers, Massachusetts.

Private First Class ALEX H. REIFSCHNEIDER, (37453001), 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. Emma Reifschneider, (wife), Star Route, Gering, Nebraska.

Private First Class JAMES C. SARVIS, (37096932), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 16 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ella Sarvis, (mother), Highmore, South Dakota.

Technician Third Grade KAZUE TAKASHIMA, (19080054), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 5 December 1944 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Miss Chisato Takashima, (sister), 28-22-C, Heart Mountain, Wyoming.

Staff Sergeant JOHN W. WYNNE, (20638826), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with

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military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 4 April 1945 to 3 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Wynne, (mother), 108 Litchfield, Bay City, Michigan.

Private First Class GEORGE A. ZYLKA, (20645554), 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. Steve Zylka, (father), 1606 North Franklin Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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AWARDS ORIGINAL ORDER 2  
THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

Captain BERTRAM C. CAPPER, (0452835), Adjutant 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 12 September 1944 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. June M. Capper, (wife), 500 East 4th Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade JAMES W. DARR, (W2127754), 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 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Flora F. Darr, (mother), westernport, Maryland.

Staff Sergeant CURTIS M. DUNCAN, (18109202), 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 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Effie Pearl Duncan, (mother), Route 3, Henderson, Texas.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private) LA VERN F. HALL, (37670951), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 14 April 1945 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Chris Hall, (father), Epworth, Iowa.

First Sergeant HENRY E. HOLDER, (6283916), 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 24 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marion Lois Holder, (wife), Apartment 3, 403 Madison Street, San Antonio, Texas.

Staff Sergeant RALPH G. HOUSTON, (39328000), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lois Maxine Houston, (wife), Route 1, Box 243, Doring, Oregon.

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Staff Sergeant ALBERT L. KAISER, (20651968), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Netherlands East Indies and the Philippine Islands from 13 September 1944 to 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Henry Kaiser, (mother), Cadott, Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant JOHN S. KOZLOWSKI, (31059311), 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 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Kozlowski, (mother), 89 Lake Street, Webster, Massachusetts.

Technician Fourth Grade ALBERT W. LISZEO, (36048572), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 19 November 1944 to 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Volna L. Liszoo, (wife), 1316 1/2 Northwest 9th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Technician Fourth Grade CLARENCE L. MALONE, (36155125), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 6 December 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Flora Mae Malone, (mother), Casey, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade T. S. MARTIN, (34452241), Medical Department, 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. Carrie W. Martin, (mother), Hildebran, North Carolina.

Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade) PAUL E. NORMANDIN, (36557450), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 6 December 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Normandin, (mother), 485 West Bennett Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN A. RAFFEL, (36203496), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 22 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Estelle Raffel, (wife), Route #1, Box 145-C, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade PETER F. WEJROWSKI, (20638827), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on

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Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 6 to 7 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mary Wejrowski, (mother), 410 South Sheridan Street, Bay City, Michigan.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

Technician Fourth Grade VICTOR E. BOHACEK, (36208370), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. E. Bohacek, (mother), 616 North 6th Street, Manitowac, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade LOUIS CAFINI, (20630890), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 7 July 1944 to 7 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph Cafini, (father), 6906 Drexel Avenue, Dearborn, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade FRANK DARSON, (20630892), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Darsen, (mother), 614 East Clawson Road, Clawson, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade JACK C. DURAND, (20633864), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mr. C. L. Durand, (father), 1116 Bates Street, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN C. FISH, (36113252), 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 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Thomas R. Fish, (mother), Wallaceburg, Ontario, Canada.

Technician Fourth Grade HARVEY V. JUDSON, (36109064), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Harvey Judson, (wife), 723 South Main Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM H. PERRY, (36109952), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. F. W. Wiggins, (sister), 623 Dickenson, Flint, Michigan.


Technician Fourth Grade NORMAN M. SCHNEIDER, (36207078), 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 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Schneider, (mother), 1323 Laurence Avenue, New London, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade MERLIN C. WROBEL, (20651878), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Paul G. Wrobel, (father), 1800 Madison Street, LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

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

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

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Staff Sergeant Max L. Whitmore by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, Section II, General Orders No. 8, dated 12 January 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded posthumously 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 MAX L. WHITMORE, (37681110), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 and 17 May 1945. Sergeant Whitmore led a squad to establish an artillery piece on a height from where enemy-occupied caves could be brought under fire. When he observed a number of Japanese moving toward the position he advanced alone and in an exchange of fire, killed two of them. This made it possible for the gun to be put in action, sealing two of the caves. Subsequently, he again left the gun emplacement to reconnoiter the area for infiltrating Japanese. While engaged at this task he was wounded by an enemy sniper. Sergeant Whitmore's courageous and capable leadership made possible the success of the squad's mission. Next of kin: Mrs. Goldie Whitmore, (mother), R.F.D. No. 1, Liscomb, Iowa.

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 officer.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) EUGENE C. BUTLER, (01331374), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 May 1945. Lieutenant Butler led his platoon in a direct frontal attack on strong enemy positions on a wooded height. He showed extreme fearlessness in the face of the intense machine gun and small arms fire directed at him as he moved about without cover, exhorting his men to press the attack. Owing in great measure to Lieutenant Butler's gallant and highly capable leadership the enemy emplacements were captured with great loss to the defenders.



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Home address: Mrs. Amy C. Butler, (wife), 735 Second Street, Henderson, Kentucky.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant John L. Burns by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, 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:

Staff Sergeant JOHN L. BURNS, (19134168), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 May 1945. The advance of Sergeant Burn's platoon on an enemy held ridge was made exceedingly difficult by the violent automatic and small arms fire of the defenders. To ease this situation, he led his squad in a flanking movement over difficult terrain and under intense fire to a position from where effective counter-fire could be directed against the enemy. This enabled the squad and the remainder of the platoon to attack simultaneously and drive the Japanese from their emplacements. Sergeant Burns' courageous leadership contributed greatly to the successful completion of this action. Home address: Mr. Oscar W. Burns, (father), Route Number 2, Pomeroy, Washington.

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 (then Staff Sergeant) DON R. BALLOWE, (38080221), 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 April 1945. Sergeant Ballowe was in charge of a patrol engaged by a numerically superior force of the enemy. It was necessary to order a withdrawal, and as the men fell back he observed a wounded soldier unable to proceed under his own power. He immediately braved the hostile heavy machine gun and small arms fire to proceed to the fallen man and carry him to safety. Sergeant Ballowe's heroic action saved the life of the wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Mary R. Ballowe, (mother), Box 63, Archer City, Texas.

Private JESSE F. ETCHISON, (39593188), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine

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Islands, from 13 to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Mildred Etchison, (wife), Post Office Box 346, Santa Paula, California.

Staff Sergeant JAMES R. PHILLIPS, (34373681), 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 May 1945. Sergeant Phillips led a squad to clear enemy elements from a trail connecting the forward and rear echelons of his company. As they advanced across open ground they were fired on. Quickly deploying his men, Sergeant Phillips fired several rocket shells into the hostile positions and then led a charge which drove the enemy from the ground. Although he was wounded in the initial stage of the fighting, he did not slacken his efforts until the action had been successfully terminated. Sergeant Phillips courageous leadership reflects great credit on him. Home address: Mrs. Birdie J. Phillips, (mother), Route 1, Rives, Tennessee.

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AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR

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

Private First Class GERALD T. ADERHOLT, (38080021), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 April 1945. The area occupied by Private Aderholt's platoon was subjected to a severe mortar barrage by the enemy, and a large number of casualties was received. Following close upon the termination of the mortar action, the Japanese swept the terrain with heavy machine gun and small arms fire. Private Aderholt, himself painfully wounded, moved about the area without regard for his safety, ministering to the more serious casualties. This allowed the uninjured men to devote their full efforts to reorganization and necessary defensive measures. Private Aderholt's gallantry rendered great aid to the wounded and assisted measurably in the maintenance of the platoon's position. Home address: Mr. Lawrence A. Aderholt, (father), Route #1, Briscoe, Texas.

Private First Class DOMINIC J. BIGELIS, (33483460), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 March 1945. Private Bigelis was occupying a sector of his platoon's perimeter when a large force of the enemy launched a fierce attack. Heedless of the grenade and automatic weapons fire directed at him, he fired his rifle rapidly and accurately, killing two Japanese and wounding several others. This charge repulsed, he maintained his post through another attack and then crawled across exposed terrain to fetch ammunition for himself and his companions. When it became necessary for the platoon to withdraw to more secure positions, he stayed behind and furnished covering fire until the withdrawal was safely completed. Private Bigelis greatly distinguished himself in this action. Home address: Mr. John Bigelis, (father), 1 Acre Street, Port Carbon, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) JOSEPH J. DIDUCH, (32944384), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Fe, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 June 1945. Sergeant Diduch was leading his squad against hostile positions when he observed two enemy-held caves whose unobstructed field of fire made them difficult to approach. Deploying his men to furnish him covering fire, he moved forward alone to the mouth of the nearest cave and fired inside, killing one of the enemy. The Japanese in the adjoining cave immediately opened fire, wounding Sergeant Diduch in the chest. Ignoring his wound he returned to his squad and led

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them in an assault against a number of hostile strongpoints. The gallant and vigorous leadership of Sergeant Diduch was greatly responsible for the eventual capture of three enemy positions with great loss to the defenders. Home address: Mrs. Rose Diduch, (mother), 2333 Sixth Avenue, Troy, New York.

Private First Class CALVIN HASTINGS, (39858482), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 May 1945. Private Hastings courageously proceeded across terrain heavily subjected to hostile machine gun and small arms fire to rescue a wounded soldier. Unassisted he carried the casualty to the nearest litter bearers and then aided in the evacuation. While enroute to the aid station with the injured man, he received a bullet wound in the foot, but heedless of his hurt, he stayed with the litter patient until the aid station, a distance of several hundred yards, was reached. Only then would he accept medical aid for himself. Private Hastings displayed exceptional courage and devotion in this incident. Home address: Mrs. Edna Hastings, (mother), Second Mesa, Arizona.

First Sergeant CECIL G. KNIFFEN, (6556196), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 March 1945. Sergeant Kniffen crawled to the assistance of a wounded man lying on terrain fully exposed to the intense machine gun and small arms fire of the enemy. His advance was detected and considerable fire was directed at him, but with bullets striking the ground all about he persevered until he reached the casualty. Just as he grasped the fallen man he was struck in the arm. Ignoring his serious wound he dragged the wounded soldier to a position of safety. Sergeant Kniffen's gallant behavior served as an inspiration to those who witnessed the incident. Home address: Mrs. Rose Elizabeth Lemon, (mother), Walnut and Greenwood Streets, La Habre, California.

Major (then Captain) ROBERT G. MAYNARD, (0399737), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 May 1945. Major Maynard made the plans for a surprise attack on an enemy-held hill; supervised closely all preparations, and then led his company in the assault against the hostile positions. He exposed himself to heavy rifle fire on several occasions during the action, and when his radio operator was wounded he carried and operated the radio himself so that he might control the progress of the attack. As a result of Major Maynard's thorough preparation and intrepid leadership, an important objective was captured with a minimum of casualties. Home address: Mrs. Mildred Maynard, (mother), 416 18th Street, Santa Monica, California.

Technical Sergeant BENNY J. MUSZYNSKI, (7022435), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 May 1945. The enemy placed an exceptionally heavy artillery barrage on the perimeter of an infantry company. In the midst of the barrage Sergeant Muszynski left

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his position and moved about the sector occupied by his platoon, encouraging the men and checking to see if any of them were wounded and in need of assistance. Some hours later when the enemy began a mortar barrage he again exposed himself to ensure that all proper defensive measures had been taken against the possibility of an attack. The gallant behavior of Sergeant Muszynski served as an inspiration to the men of his platoon. Home address: Mrs. Julia Muszynski, (mother), 319 Torrence Avenue, Carnegie, Pennsylvania.

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ORIGINAL ORDER

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

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 THOMAS H. ROBERSON, (38134586), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 April 1945. A lead scout of an infantry patrol was wounded so seriously that he was unable to withdraw from the field of the enemy's fire. Private Roberson and another man immediately went to his rescue. They courageously crossed terrain swept by hostile heavy machine gun and small arms fire and having reached the casualty, proceeded to carry him to a position of safety. Before they could reach their destination, Private Roberson was killed by a burst of machine gun fire. Private Roberson gallantly sacrificed his life while aiding a wounded comrade. Next of kin: Mrs. Mozell Roberson, (mother), Route 3, Hamilton, Texas.

II. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

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

Technician Fourth Grade PRIMO C. ANDREATTA, (39412170), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 April 1945. A severe enemy artillery barrage caused many casualties inside the perimeter of an infantry company. During the barrage, while numerous shells were exploding in the area, Technician Andreatta left the safety of his foxhole and administered first aid to several of the wounded. Following upon the cessation of the barrage, a large force of Japanese attacked the perimeter, spraying the terrain with machine gun and small arms fire and severely wounding another of our men. Seeing the man's plight, Technician Andreatta crawled through the intense fire to his side and injected blood plasma, thereby undoubtedly saving the wounded soldier's life. Technician Andreatta fearlessly underwent great danger to aid our wounded. Home address: Mr. Victorio Andreatta, (uncle), 3128 Boardman Avenue, Klamath Falls, Oregon.

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Private CHARLES A. BEEHNER, (42166136), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Fe, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 May 1945. Private Beehner was lead scout of a squad flanking strongly fortified enemy positions. As they approached the objective, the enemy opened fire with machine guns and small arms, and the advance of the squad was halted. Private Beehner then moved forward alone, and firing rapidly, killed two of the Japanese and disrupted their defensive measures. This enabled the squad to sweep forward and overwhelm the position. Private Beehner distinguished himself by his courageous behavior under hostile fire. Home address: Mrs. Ella M. Beehner, (mother), 2632 Genesee Street, Utica, New York.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) ROBERT L. BONIFACE, (01327805), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 April 1945. Lieutenant Boniface was in command of a platoon digging-in on a newly-won hill. The enemy placed heavy artillery and machine gun fire on the position, causing confusion and disorganization. Lieutenant Boniface exposed himself to move amongst the men, reassuring them and directing defensive measures. Later, when the order for withdrawal was received, he vigorously and firmly effected an orderly and successful evacuation. Lieutenant Boniface's coolness under intense fire inspired his men, and his capable leadership saved a critical situation. Home address: Mrs. Alice M. Boniface, (mother), 1234 North June Street, Hollywood, California.

Private CHARLES S. CHINN, (30112667), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 May 1945. Private Chinn was the lead scout of a force sent to eliminate enemy strongpoints concealed in caves and dense jungle growth. As our troops advanced, they were fired on by an enemy machine gun, and Private Chinn crawled forward alone to locate the hostile weapon. Spotting two Japanese positions, he tossed grenades and inflicted considerable damage. He crawled back to his companions for a new supply of grenades, and then returned to the attack, hurling grenades until the two enemy positions were destroyed. The gallant action of Private Chinn enabled our troops to continue with their mission. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Chinn, (mother), 2008 Kapupuka Street, Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

Corporal WALTER D. MALLER, (31100365), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Valdez, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 May 1945. Corporal Maller was with a forward party at an observation post when an attack by a numerically superior enemy force made a withdrawal necessary. He delayed his removal and exposed himself to heavy fire in order to bear away a valuable radio set. Having reached the new position he re-established radio communication with his battalion, and then, noting that several members of the party were missing, he retraced his path until he contacted the missing men. Corporal Maller saved

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valuable equipment from falling into the hands of the enemy, and willingly underwent great risk to locate and lead his companions to safety. Home address: Mrs. Helen Maller, (mother), 71 Water Street, Machias, Maine.

Private MICHAEL E. POULOS, (12059025), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Fe, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 April 1945. Private Poulos was a member of an observation party accompanying an infantry company in an attack against an enemy-held hill. The fire of a strategically placed hostile machine gun halted the advance, and it was decided to eliminate this threat with artillery fire. Carrying his radio, Private Poulos climbed the steep hill to a point favorable for observation. Although he had been wounded during the ascent, he established communication with the fire direction center and so effectively directed the fire of our artillery that the enemy machine gun was knocked out. Home address: Mr. Emanuel Poulos, (father), 565 West 181st Street, New York, New York.

Lieutenant Colonel ALEX J. ROBINET, (0358288), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 May 1945. Colonel Robinet observing that the advance of our troops against hostile strong-points had bogged down as a result of the heavy machine gun and small arms fire of the enemy, moved to the most forward elements and exhorted the men to press the attack. The fearless manner in which he exposed himself to the heavy fire directed at him inspired our troops to rally behind Colonel Robinet, and under his gallant leadership the objective was taken with heavy loss to the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Betty Lee Robinet, (wife), 23 River Road, Fort Thomas, Kentucky.

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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 Number 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:

Sergeant FREDMAN B. AYRES, (53357170), 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 26 April 1945. Sergeant Ayres proceeded to an area under enemy artillery bombardment to repair a severed wire line. Having reached the point of the break he found it would be necessary to climb a tree over which the wire passed to make the necessary repairs. Knowing how vitally important it was that our communications be restored, he courageously exposed himself to climb the tree and make the requisite adjustments. He had just repaired the break and was descending when an enemy shell burst near-by, mortally wounding him. Sergeant Ayres' heroic sacrifice made possible the successful completion of operations against the enemy. Next of kin: Mrs. Caroline E. Ayres, (wife), Box 105, Sulphur Springs, Indiana.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

Technician Fifth Grade HALLAM W. CAMP, (39013471), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Imagan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 April 1945. Technician Camp was a member of an observation party with an infantry company. When the enemy subjected the area to heavy artillery fire, he left his dugout with his radio and proceeded to a point advantageous for observation, but greatly exposed to the hostile fire. From there he effectively directed the fire of our artillery on the enemy gun positions. Technician Camp displayed great courage in the performance of this action. Home address: Mrs. Anna W. Camp, (mother), 722 West 142d Street, Hawthorne, California.

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Corporal RALPH W. GROVER, (20651541), 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 16 April 1945. Corporal Grover was laying wire on the summit of a steep hill when the enemy began placing fire on the position. Although shells were bursting in close proximity to him, he courageously continued on with his assignment and did not seek cover from the heavy fire until the task was completed. Corporal Grover risked his life to fulfill his mission. Home address: Mrs. Jonette Curtis, (mother), 106 Western Avenue, Viroqua, Wisconsin.

Private First Class (then Private) LEONIS HARROD, (55697765), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasian Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. During the course of an enemy artillery barrage, Private Harrod heard a call for help. Although shells were falling all about he crawled from his foxhole and accompanied by an officer proceeded in the direction of the cry. Having located the wounded man they administered first aid, and then evacuated him over a route likewise subjected to artillery fire to an aid station a considerable distance away. Private Harrod risked his life to aid a wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy L. Harrod, (wife), Route 4, Okolona, Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade FRANK M. HODL, (32003300) 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 11 April 1945 to 29 April 1945. During the period Technician Hodl was in charge of a forward observation party. On one occasion when our positions were being shelled by the enemy, he exposed himself to sniper fire by climbing a tree to better direct our counter-fire against the enemy guns. Technician Hodl's courageous action resulted in the neutralization of the hostile artillery. Home address: Mr. Frank Hodl, (father), 5707 Windsor Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

First Lieutenant ROBE RT L. HILLER, (02034895), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Colasian Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. During the course of an enemy artillery barrage, Lieutenant Hiller heard a call for help. Although shells were falling all about, he crawled from his foxhole and accompanied by an enlisted man proceeded in the direction of the cry. Having located the wounded man they administered first aid, and then evacuated him over a route likewise subjected to artillery fire to an aid station a considerable distance away. Lieutenant Hiller risked his life to aid a wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Ann Hiller, (wife), 1325 Hamilton Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin.

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Private JESSE LEE SHARPE, (54098565), 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 26 April 1945. Enemy artillery fire had cut a vitally needed telephone line and Private Sharpe was sent to repair the break. The area in which he worked was struck by numerous enemy shells, but without thought for his safety he stayed at his exposed post and did not seek cover until the line was back in action. Private Sharpe, at the direct risk of his life, restored an important channel of communication to service. Home address: Mrs. Mrs. Nell Sharpe, (wife), 6 McGee Street, Belton, South Carolina.

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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 Sergeant Frank M. White 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 Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Sergeant FRANK M. WHITE, (20116122), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 April 1945. When several enemy machine guns held up the advance of our troops, Sergeant White rode as a guide on a bulldozer sent to clear a path for supporting tanks. The enemy centered their fire on the machine in a vain effort to halt its progress. When the operator was wounded, Sergeant White held his place until another driver was obtained, and then remained with the bulldozer until the mission was accomplished. Sergeant White's courageous behavior helped complete the destruction of a formidable enemy obstacle. Home address: Mr. Michael White, (father), 9 Curtis Street, Somerville, Massachusetts.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

*Rise by Go # 200 - June 29, 1945*  
\* ~~Staff Sergeant~~ ASTER F. BOWDEN, (39501675), 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 May 1945. When the leading scout of his squad was struck by enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Bowden immediately began crawling to his assistance. The heavy volume of the hostile fire made progress exceedingly hazardous, but he persisted until he reached the spot where the scout had fallen. Finding the man to be dead, he retraced his path and succeeded in reaching a position of safety, although wounded enroute. Sergeant Bowden heroically risked his life in an attempt to aid an injured

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companion. Home address: Mrs. Annie Dayly Bowden, (mother), Rural Route #1, Roosevelt, Utah.

Technician Third Grade ERNEST D. ERICKSON, (37111294), 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 8 April 1945. Word was received at a Battalion Aid Station that aid men were urgently needed to treat casualties at an advanced position under bombardment by the enemy. Technician Erickson was one of those sent on this mission. When he reached an intermediate position, he was advised to proceed no further as the trail was being heavily shelled; but nevertheless, he continued onward to the forward area. Having attained this point he gave treatment to all the casualties he could find without thought of his own danger from the continuing bombardment. Technician Erickson displayed great courage and devotion in this incident. Home address: Mr. Earl Erickson, (father), Hardy, Iowa.

Private First Class MAURICE C. FUTRELL, (15314995), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 May 1945. Private Futrell led a five man patrol into enemy territory to obtain information on the disposition of hostile forces. The mission was successfully accomplished, and the patrol began the return journey, to the base. Shortly before reaching the friendly perimeter they were subjected to machine gun and small arms fire. Private Futrell directed the men to take cover, and crawled forward alone to locate the enemy nest. Having determined the position, he rejoined the patrol and led them to the perimeter. He then directed the placing of effective mortar fire on the enemy machine gun. Private Futrell's courage and initiative made possible the destruction of a formidable enemy threat. Home address: Mr. Leon Futrell, (father), Route #3, Cadiz, Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade GLENN E. GROTH, (36112174), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 April 1945. A group of the enemy attacked a perimeter with grenades and fixed bayonets. Technician Groth, although wounded by a grenade fragment, went to the rescue of a comrade, incapacitated by a bayonet wound, who was being attacked by a Japanese soldier. When his rifle would not fire, he used the piece as a club, beating the enemy to the ground and continuing to strike until he was sure he was dead. This highly courageous action of Technician Groth saved the life of the wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Ida Groth, (mother), Tyre, Michigan.

Private First Class CHESTER E. HANSON, (37111368), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde

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Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 April 1945. Private Hanson continued with his task of placing mortar fire on hostile positions although he was under the direct fire of an enemy artillery piece on an adjoining ridge. In spite of the efforts of the enemy to neutralize the action of his mortar, Private Hanson courageously maintained his post until his assignment was accomplished. Home address: Mrs. Emma Hanson, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Callender, Iowa.

Sergeant WILLIAM E. TOMECK, JR., (32374328), 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 8 April 1945. Sergeant Tomeck remained in the open during a severe enemy artillery and mortar barrage so that he might administer first aid to the numerous casualties. Although suffering from concussion from the blast of shells exploding in the immediate area, he courageously carried on his work. The heroic and capable ministrations of Sergeant Tomeck undoubtedly saved the lives of many casualties. Home address: Mrs. Ann Tomeck, (wife), 15 Lincoln Avenue, Greenville, 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 officers and enlisted men:

Captain HENRY BUERMANN, JR., (0356518), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Eleanor S. Buermann, (wife), South Hero, Vermont.

Sergeant (then Corporal) CHARLES F. CROWELL, (36723229), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 6 December 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Cora Crowell, (mother), 1314 South Street, Murphysboro, Illinois.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) ANDREW J. HARRIS, (01550612), Ordnance 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. Maude D. Harris, (mother), 118-18 Metropolitan Avenue, Kew Gardens, 15, New York.

Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) ROY A. HAUGEN, (39172464), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 10 February 1945 to 8 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hannah L. Haugen, (mother), 2813 22d Street, Everett, Washington.

Technician Fourth Grade PETER HELLBERG, (37183414), Ordnance Department, 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: Mr. John Hellberg, (father), 4326 Neosho, St. Louis, Missouri.

Technician Fourth Grade ARTHUR T. MAXWELL, (33242379), 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 May 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Maxwell, (mother), Route #1, Mt. Joy, Pennsylvania.

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Technical Sergeant SAM PATITUCCI, (36208624), Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 22 February 1944 to 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Patitucci, (mother), 5612 23d Avenue, Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade GEORGE C. ROUSH, (33493025), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 6 December 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Florence M. Roush, (mother), 916 Arch Street, Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant JOHN M. SCARLETT, (02035594), 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 24 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Patricia Lee Scarlett, (wife), 510 Oak Street, Eugene, Oregon.

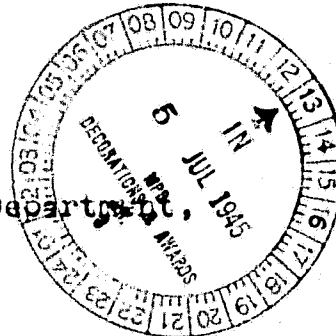
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AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER..... I  
AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.... II  
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I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Brigadier General Charles B. Lyman by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, 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:

Brigadier General CHARLES B. LYMAN, (03590), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 26 April 1945 to 1 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dolly R. Lyman, (wife), 1717 Foxhall Road, Washington, District of Columbia.

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

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

Technician Third Grade WILLIAM F. TYREE, JR., (38279377), 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 May 1944 to 24 April 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Rosemary Tyree, (wife), 4204 West Patomac Street, Dallas, 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, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain HARRY L. BOWYER, JR., (0408978), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection

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with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 27 February 1945 to 7 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Richards Bowyer, (wife), 9 West Park Avenue, Savannah, Georgia.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) THOMAS E. CINDRIC, (33036480), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 27 February 1945 to 29 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Cindric, (mother), R.F.D. #2, Box 42, Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade JOSEPH F. DWYER, (16039630), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 May 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alicia Dwyer, (wife), 2607 Idelia Street, El Paso, Texas.

Technician Fifth Grade LEO R. FLAHERTY, (37481548), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 May 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Thomas E. Flaherty, (father), 109 Sixth Avenue, S.E., Le Mars, Iowa.

Sergeant LESTER H. KARCHER, (39088318), Field Artillery, 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: Mr. Harry B. Karcher, (father), 428 Adams Street, Napa, California.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Corporal) MATTHEW J. MAREK, (35145274), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 26 February 1945 to 22 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Marek, (mother), 4527 Milnor Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade LEWIS PETROULIS, (31219073), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 May 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mr. A. Petroulis, (father), 132 Oak Street, Lewiston, Maine.

Captain WAYNE E. QUICK, (0421399), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 April 1945 to 8 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Janet E. Quick, (wife), 207 East 33d Street, New York City.

Technician Fourth Grade HOWARD M. STUCKERT, (33317940), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 29 May 1945. Home

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address: Mr. Howard M. Stuckert, (father), 9 Kings Highway East, Haddonfield, New Jersey.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade)  
ARTHUR H. STURM, (35095690), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 May 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rovene Sturm, (wife), 945 Ycke Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Staff Sergeant LEROY YARTON, (39387081), 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 10 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Yarton, (mother), 2006 S.W. 4th Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

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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:

Technical Sergeant WESLEY L. ALLEN, (36155622), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 April 1945 to 17 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Norman Allen, (father), 402 Russell Street, Allegan, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH D. CLINE, (36313622), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 7 March 1945 to 2 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maude Cline, (mother), Vandalia, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade LAWRENCE O. CRAIN, (38462043), Medical Department, 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: Mr. Arthur J. Crain, (father), 152 West Mayfield Boulevard, San Antonio, Texas.

Corporal RAYMOND DU BOIS, (31135434), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 April 1945 to 2 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anita DuBois, (mother), 63 Fern Street, New Bedford, Massachusetts.

Technician Fourth Grade LAVERNE FRAZIER, (39088488), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 19 March 1945 to 16 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Corinne Rosalee Frazier, (wife), Route #1, Box 940, Redding, California.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) CLYDE G. HALL, (20633887), 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: Mr. Clyde G. Hall, (father), 3804 Horton Avenue, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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Captain WILLIAM H. HILL, (0435302), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 2 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Francis Fay Hill, (mother), Palmetto, Georgia.

Technician Fourth Grade ADRIAN B. HUNT, (37139849), 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 1 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hildegard Hunt, (wife), Route #3, Bloomfield, Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT I. NORMAN, (34329187), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 April 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Annie I. Norman, (mother), Box 145, Lynchburg, Tennessee.

Technical Sergeant JOHN QUAKKELAAR, (20633619), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 April 1945 to 26 April 1945. Home address: Mr. John Quakkelaar, (father), 735 Crofton Street, S.W. Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Captain EVERETTE Q. WALTERS, (01301568), Infantry, 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. Emma L. Walters, (mother), Henriette, Minnesota.

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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, and Ltr, Sixth Army, AG 200.6 A-10, 1 June 1945, the Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men of the Philippine Army.

Private SALVADOR BULOS, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 May 1945. Home address: Maria Encarnacion Vajio, (mother), Lecheria, San Rafael, Bulacan.

Private First Class BILNVINIDO CINCOLLAGOS, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 May 1945. Home address: Canuto Cincollagos, (brother), 12 INT. Maypajo, Rizal.

Private First Class LEONARDO DE LA CRUZ, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 May 1945. Home address: Maria de la Cruz, (sister), Maasim, San Ildefonso, Bulacan.

Private SIMEON CRUZ, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 May 1945. Home address: Gonzalo Cruz, (brother), San Ildefonso, Bulacan.

Private LUCIANO GONZALES, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 May 1945. Home address: Ernesto Rosales, (nephew), Bomban, Bulacan, Bulacan.

Corporal FORTUNATO MEDINA, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 May 1945. Home address: Teodora Medina, (mother), Gabihan, San Ildefonso, Bulacan.

Private First Class CIRILO S. REDOLOSA, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 April 1945. Home address: Apolenia Solite, (wife) Calabria, Leyte.

Corporal FELICIANO RIVERA, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 May 1945. Home address: Celerina Ramos, (mother), Malolos, Bulacan.

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Corporal PERFECTO SANTOS, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 May 1945. Home address: Leoncia Garcia, (mother), Sagrada Familia, Hagonoy, Bulacan.

Private RUFINO VILLANUEVA, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 April 1945. Home address: Apolonia Solite, (mother), Kalupian, Leyte.

Private DOMINGO YAMBAO, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 May 1945. Home address: Rosa Concepcion, (mother), Santa Monica, Hagonoy, Bulacan

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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.

Technician Third Grade ALFONSE C. RDUCCI, (35047457), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 16 July 1944 to 10 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Candida Antonucci, (mother), 228 Fulton Street, Youngstown, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant GEORGE V. BARNHART, (18057744), 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 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Herminia Vela, (mother), 1518 Howard Street, Corpus Christie, Texas.

First Lieutenant CHARLES C. ELLETT, (02035304), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 April 1945 to 1 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Carrie L. Ellet, (mother), Beaver Dam, Wisconsin.

Captain ROBERT W. HACH, (0374357), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Robert W. Hach, (wife), 230 Highland Drive, N.W., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

First Lieutenant JOHN A. HAYS, (01311647), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 30 January 1945 to 2 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie M. Hays, (mother), 516 Groves Street, Sewickley, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade CARTHEL L. HEFNER, (38506349), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 6 May 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Vela Mae Hefner, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Beebe, Arkansas.

Captain ROLAND L. HEPLER, (01284871), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military

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operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 29 January 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ellen W. Hepler, (wife), 1827 North 7th Street, Waco, Texas.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH E. JENNY, (36155420), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Jenny, (mother), 101 Straight Street, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Private First Class ALVIN S. KEMP, (38154839), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 May 1945 to 29 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. A. E. Kemp, (mother), Clcbit, Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant JAMES C. KITSON, (16093562), 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 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Frank C. Kitson, (father), 118 South 9th Street, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade ANTHONY J. MATARAZZO, (37102492), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. A. Matarazzo, (wife), 169 Days Road Grange, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.

Technician Fifth Grade RALPH M. ROSE, (36110630), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Arthur H. Rose, (mother), 3085 Eastlawn Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade CHETNEY L. STADER, (36109415), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Chetney L. Stader, (wife), 1085 LaSalle Street, Pontiac, Michigan.

Major GRAYDON A. TUNSTALL, (0356806), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 29 January 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Valance T. Tunstall, (wife), Blackstone, Virginia.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL..... I  
AWARD OF THE COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE.. II

I. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

Corporal CHARLES N. ALLISON, (36113302), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 15 April 1945 to 27 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Charles R. Allison, (father), Route #1, Springfield, Tennessee.

First Lieutenant RICHARD C. ANDREWS, (0517809), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 24 March 1945 to 18 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Richard C. Andrews, (father), 7313 Elm Avenue, Maplewood, Missouri.

Sergeant MARVIN COMBS, (35251257), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 May 1945 to 29 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Dave Combs, (father), R.R. #5, Bedford, Indiana.

Private First Class THORNTON J. CRAWFORD, (35502496), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 6 May 1945 to 3 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Edwin Thornton Crawford, (father), Grayson, Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade CLYDE W. CROYLE, (33248161), 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 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nellie Croyle, (mother), Main Street, Summerhill, Pennsylvania.

Private DONALD R. CRUZEN, (17140989), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 May 1945 to 2 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn B. Cruzen, (mother), 4407 Curve Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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Captain RICHARD K. CURRIER, (0435489), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen V. Currier, (wife), Elmwood, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) E. R. L. DE ROBOAM, (39054277), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Gertrude DeRoboam, (wife), 325 North Sutton Street, Stockton, California.

Captain CLARENCE N. KENNEDY, (0416161), Field Artillery, 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. Marjorie C. Kennedy, (wife), 10 St. Marks Street, LeRoy, New York.

Private First Class WILLIAM K. MELLON, JR., (19203215), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 28 January 1945 to 1 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. William K. Mellon, (mother), 554 Bonita Avenue, San Marino, California.

Private First Class FRANCIS J. LEGERE, (31347326), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 15 April 1945 to 5 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Madeline M. Legere, (mother), 119 Avenue A, Turner Falls, Massachusetts.

Technician Third Grade GEORGE M. SUGIYAMA, (39088978), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 April 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Masaki Sugiyama, (father), Route #1, Box 151, Auburn, California.

II. AWARD OF THE COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE:

Under the provisions of Circular 408, War Department, dated 17 October 1944, the Combat Infantryman Badge is awarded to the following named officer, 126th Infantry Regiment, for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands. Effective date: 1 June 1945.

Colonel CHARLES C. ALLAN, (017671), Cavalry, United States Army.

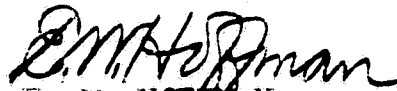
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By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted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

Staff Sergeant EDUARDO ESTEBAN, (31217090), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 May 1945. Sergeant Esteban led a patrol deep into enemy territory to gain vitally needed information about hostile installations. He skilfully avoided several large enemy patrols, and, when the opportunity arose, led the men in an attack on an enemy strongpoint that resulted in the capture and destruction of much Japanese materiel and the killing of several enemy soldiers. Owing in great measure to Sergeant Esteban's capable and courageous leadership, the patrol returned safely to its base with much valuable information. Home address: Mrs. Guadalupe Esteban, (mother), 75 Calle Obregon San Francisco Rincon, Guanajuato, Mexico.

Private First Class RYLYN F. FORBUS, (38569958), 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 May 1945. When the advance of his company was halted by hostile machine gun and sniper fire emanating from an enemy-held cave, Private Forbus advanced alone with an explosive charge. In spite of the heavy fire directed at him from this strongpoint, plus the added hazard of cross-fire from other enemy positions, he successfully planted and ignited the charge. The explosion killed at least two of the enemy and completely destroyed the Japanese strongpoint. Private Forbus' heroic feat enabled his company to continue with its mission. Home address: Mr. James O. Forbus, (father), Route 2, Hugo, Oklahoma.

Private First Class ALBERT F. LOWE, (35802634), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 May 1945. Private Lowe was a member of a squad sent to destroy an enemy machine gun nest located in the interior of a cave. He advanced, firing his rifle repeatedly, until he was within six feet of the mouth of the cave. At this point he was seriously wounded in the side and arm and was unable to advance further; but a flame-thrower beam that

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had crept forward under cover of the diversion created by Private Lowe, was able to destroy the enemy position. Private Lowe made possible the neutralization of a formidable threat to our troops. Home address: Mrs. Justine F. Lowe, (wife), 110 Georgia Street, Winchester, Kentucky.

Technical Sergeant CBCIL F. PALMER, (6284769), 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. In the midst of a heavy enemy artillery barrage Sergeant Palmer remained constantly in the open, administering to the needs of the wounded. Because of the many casualties the defense perimeter had become badly disorganized, and Sergeant Palmer, fearing the enemy would take advantage of the situation to launch an attack, adopted vigorous measures to close all gaps in the line. Subsequently, when the enemy did attack, they were repelled as a result of the precautions taken by Sergeant Palmer. Home address: Mrs. Margaret F. Palmer, (wife), 696 Courtland Avenue, Macon, Georgia.

Private First Class JOSEPH J. SHILERO, (35513232), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 May 1945. Private Shilero went to the assistance of a wounded soldier lying helpless under intense hostile machine gun and small arms fire. Although heavy fire was directed at him by the enemy in an attempt to halt his progress, he crawled through the underbrush until he was able to seize and drag the casualty out of the line of fire. Subsequently, he carried the wounded man to an evacuation point. Private Shilero bravely risked his life to rescue an injured comrade. Home address: Mrs. Mary Shilero, (mother), 3185 East 121st Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT SHERLEY, (39530522), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 April 1945. When Technician Sherley observed a companion to be wounded, he risked the heavy machine gun fire of the enemy to carry the man to a position of safety. Later a severe artillery concentration was laid down by the enemy, and our troops were ordered to withdraw. Technician Sherley stayed behind to dress the wound of a casualty, and did not leave until the injured man was evacuated. The courageous devotion of Technician Sherley served as an inspiration to the men of his organization. Home address: Mrs. Maggie Sherley, (mother), 128 1/2 West Electric, Lahrba, California.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT A. STUART, (31049780), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944. Technician Stuart was working in an aid station when enemy artillery shells

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began landing in the area. Although he had just been felled to the ground by the concussion of an exploding shell, he immediately went to the aid of four men lying wounded in the open. Working swiftly and calmly in the midst of the continuing bombardment, he helped dress the wounds of the casualties and then assisted in their evacuation to a position of safety. At the direct risk of his life, Technician Stuart rendered great aid to our wounded. Home address: Mrs. Robert Stuart, (wife), 705 Niles Street, La Porte, Indiana.

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I. RESCISSION OF AWARD:

So much of Section II, General Orders No. 190, Headquarters 32d Infantry Division, dated 25 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Staff Sergeant LESTER F. BOWDEN, 39901675, Infantry, is rescinded.

II. 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 WARREN E. RAINS, (20829915), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 March 1945. A machine gun crew at an advanced point was threatened by an enemy attack, and sent an urgent request to the Regimental Command Post for a supply of hand grenades. Sergeant Rains, fully aware he would be forced to crawl over terrain being subjected to intense hostile artillery, automatic weapons, and small arms fire, left the Command Post with a bag of grenades. The enemy pressed their assault and overran the ground on which the machine gun was emplaced. The following morning, after the lost ground had been regained, Sergeant Rains' body was found at the machine gun position, the bag of grenades still clutched in his hand. Sergeant Rains was killed in the performance of his hazardous mission. Next of kin: Mrs. Verda Rains, (mother), General Delivery, Bently, Oklahoma.

Private First Class GUY E. WISE, (35929188), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 April 1945. The advance of an infantry company across open terrain was halted by the volume of the enemy machine gun and small arms fire, and it became necessary to withdraw to avoid further casualties. In order to expedite the safe withdrawal of his companions, Private Wise sprang forward and sprayed the hostile positions with fire from his automatic rifle, killing seven of the enemy and knocking out one of

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their machine guns. This gallant action of Private Wise, performed at great risk to himself, undoubtedly saved the lives of several of our soldiers. Next of kin: Mrs. Mildred Wise, (wife), 224 West 12th Street, Ashland, Ohio.

III. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

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

Private First Class ROBERT PLANK, (35083129), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 June 1945. A number of the enemy succeeded in infiltrating a perimeter, and a hand to hand fight ensued. Private Plank, finding himself faced by three of the enemy, succeeded in killing two of them with his rifle before repeated slashes on his hands and arms delivered by a saber wielded by the third, a Japanese officer, caused him to drop his weapon. Unarmed as he was and suffering intense pain from his wounds, Private Plank grappled with the Japanese. Wrenching the saber from his grasp he cut the enemy officer down with the blade. This highly courageous action of Private Plank so demoralized the remainder of the enemy that our troops were enabled to drive the Japanese from the perimeter with further loss to them. Home address: Mrs. Corra Plank, (mother), Route 2, Box 595, Morehead, Kentucky.

Private First Class WARREN R. ROBINSON, (34950083), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 April 1945. An attack by our troops against enemy positions was bogged down by the intense hostile automatic weapons and small arms fire. Private Robinson crawled forward to within twenty yards of the enemy and opened fire. He repeatedly loaded and emptied his weapon, maintaining such a heavy volume of fire that the major portion of the hostile fire was trained in his direction. His companions took advantage of this diversion to press forward and successfully terminate their attack. Private Robinson displayed great gallantry in this action. Home address: Mrs. Carrie B. Robinson, (wife), Route #1, Long Island, Alabama.

IV. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

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

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Staff Sergeant LESTER F. BOWDEN, (39901675), 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 May 1945. When the leading scout of his squad was struck by enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Bowden immediately began crawling to his assistance. The heavy volume of the hostile fire made progress exceedingly hazardous, but he persisted until he reached the spot where the scout had fallen. Finding the man to be dead, he retraced his path and succeeded in reaching a position of safety, although wounded enroute. Sergeant Bowden heroically risked his life in an attempt to aid an injured companion. Home address: Mrs. Annie Dayley Bowden, (mother), Rural Route #1, Roosevelt, Utah.

V. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant Richard S. Kroll by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, Section III, General Orders No. 81, dated 24 September 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant RICHARD S. KROLL, (19060672), 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: Mr. Charles Kroll, (father), East 911 - 11th Avenue, Spokane, Washington.

VI. 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 ROBERT H. ESSERY, (38685676), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 April 1945. Private Essery, serving as a lead scout, advanced alone against the heavy fire of an enemy machine gun nest. He pressed forward courageously until he was within fifteen feet of the position, and then threw grenades until the weapon was knocked out and three of the enemy killed. He proceeded against further enemy positions and fought

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bravely until killed by enemy fire. The heroic behavior of Private Essery made it possible for his unit to successfully complete its mission. Next of kin: Mr. Jessie K. Essery, (brother), Route 4, Timpson, Texas.

VII. 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:

Sergeant WILLIAM C. NARON, (34349986), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 May 1945. Sergeant Naron's squad was part of a patrol attacking strong hostile positions on the crest of a hill. He led his squad over the top of the ridge, surprising and killing two of the enemy. The patrol found itself surrounded by a strong Japanese force, and Sergeant Naron, setting up an automatic weapon, directed a withering stream of fire at the attackers that broke up the charge. The squad, under his direction, then laid down covering fire that enabled the remainder of the patrol to withdraw successfully. Sergeant Naron displayed outstanding qualities of leadership in this action. Home address: Mrs. Mattie Mae Weaver Naron, (mother), Route #2, Houlka, Mississippi.

Private First Class DANIEL E. SHAFFER, (33922300), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 April 1945. Private Shaffer exposed himself to heavy enemy automatic weapons and small arms fire to go to the rescue of a wounded soldier. He had succeeded in reaching a declivity with the casualty when the enemy staged an attack on the perimeter. In the action that followed Private Shaffer received painful wounds in the chest from grenade fragments. Disregarding his own injuries he stayed by the wounded soldier, and subsequently succeeded in bringing him to a position of safety where first aid could be administered. Private Shaffer risked his life to save a wounded comrade. Home address: Mrs. Mable Shaffer, (wife), 537 Highland Avenue, Kittanning, 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 EDWARD G. DEMOS, (01823995), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Colibong, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 March 1945. Lieutenant Demos led his platoon against an enemy-held ridge heavily defended by automatic weapons and sniper fire. The platoon advanced until intense fire from a concealed Japanese machine gun nest forced them to take cover. Lieutenant Demos, accompanied by two scouts, crawled through the dense underbrush in the direction of the hostile fire. When he reached a close enough point he fearlessly exposed himself to toss grenades at the enemy position. He was killed by sniper fire while performing this heroic action, but not before he had succeeded in knocking out the machine gun nest with his grenades. Lieutenant Demos' gallantry under fire served as an inspiration to the men of his platoon. Next of kin: Mrs. Angelico Demos, (mother), 74 Canton Street, Manchester, New Hampshire.

II. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

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

Private First Class HOWARD L. GENTRY, (34357430), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 9 December 1944. Private Gentry was a member of a patrol reconnoitering hostile positions when the enemy opened fire from concealed machine gun emplacements. Quickly detecting the origin of the fire, Private Gentry brought his automatic rifle into action and knocked out one of the enemy nests. A second Japanese machine gun continued to fire, wounding him in five places; but in spite of his severe injuries he held his ground and furnished sufficient covering fire for the successful withdrawal of the remainder of the patrol. Private Gentry's

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courage and fortitude were outstanding in this action. Home address: Mrs. Fannie F. Gentry, (mother), Route 3, Rome, Georgia.

Technical Sergeant RICHARD J. GIESTING, (35251068), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 March 1945. The enemy attacked with automatic weapons and grenades, inflicting several casualties on our men and successfully breaching a portion of the perimeter. Sergeant Giesting promptly moved from position to position, fearlessly exposing himself to hostile fire so that he might direct the formation of a new defensive line. He then further exposed himself to convey information of the situation to the Battalion Headquarters, and subsequently ran the gauntlet of heavy fire to carry wounded men to an aid station. The courageous leadership of Sergeant Giesting saved a dangerous crisis. Home address: Mrs. Mary Giesting, (mother), Star Route, Eldenburg, Indiana.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel Joseph F. Richter by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 5, 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:

Lieutenant Colonel JOSEPH F. RICHTER, (0264098), Field Artillery, 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. Leona Richter, (wife), 210 North Water Street, Watertown, Wisconsin.

IV. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel John B. Taylor by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, Section IV, General Orders No. 73, dated 11 September 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel JOHN B. TAYLOR, (0197248), 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 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mildred Taylor, (wife), 309 Boston Avenue, Lynchburg, Virginia.

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V. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1945 (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 GORDON H. BORTZ, (20 34221), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 February 1945 to 21 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Frank F. Bortz, (father), Pardeeville, Wisconsin.

Second Lieutenant GEORGE N. DAHM, (01690839), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 24 February 1945 to 16 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elsie M. Dahm, (mother), 25 3rd Street, Clintonville, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) WILLIAM E. GANTENBEIN, (20651748), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 6 April 1945 to 19 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Laura B. Gantenbein, (mother), 1408 Market Street, LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

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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 Technician Third Grade Paul L. Miller by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section II, General Orders No. 181, dated 17 June 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 PAUL L. MILLER, (34773426), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 10 December 1944, Technician Miller was working in an aid station when enemy artillery shells began landing in the area. Although he had just been felled to the ground by the concussion of an exploding shell, he immediately went to the aid of four men lying wounded in the open. Working swiftly and calmly in the midst of the continuing bombardment, he helped dress the wounds of the casualties and then assisted in their evacuation to a position of safety. At the direct risk of his life, Technician Miller rendered great aid to our wounded. Home address: Mrs. A. L. Miller, (mother), 200 Forbis Street, Greensboro, North Carolina.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

Private First Class CHARLES L. BLAKE, (39856877), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 March 1945 to 3 June 1945. Home address: Mr. William Garfield Blake, (father), Tonto Basin, Arizona.

Sergeant ALLEN J. BRADISH, (36207045), 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 3 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Bradish, (mother), 215 North Appleton Street, Appleton, Wisconsin.

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Sergeant LEO E. CHARETTE, (31060060), 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 3 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Leonard Charette, (father), 16 Beaufort Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Technician Fifth Grade CLARENCE M. CONNELLY, (37672072), 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 3 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn B. Connelly, (wife), Baxter, Iowa.

Sergeant HORACE COUCH, (20654347), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 15 April 1945 to 27 May 1945. Home address: Mr. John Couch, (father), 3338 North Oakland Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) FRANK W. DEYAK, JR., (36110275), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 16 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances Deyak, (mother), R.F.D. #1, McKees Rock, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade CLARENCE D. FREEMAN, (20656250), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 March 1945 to 3 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nellie Freeman, (mother), Tony, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) JOHN H. FELKER, (34809530), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 March 1945 to 3 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Addie McKinney Felker, (wife), 304 East Holmes Street, Huntsville, Alabama.

Technician Fifth Grade CLARENCE J. KISPERT, (20655990), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 March 1945 to 3 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Eugene Kispert, (father), 406 Dousmann Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade CLIDE E. PRATT, (w2134991), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 18 November 1944 to 1 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary B. Pratt, (mother), Garfield, Arkansas.

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in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte,  
Philippine Islands, on 7 and 8 December 1944. Home address: Mrs.  
Louise E. Wiley, (wife), 1418 Arlington Street, Houston, Texas.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

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\* Sergeant WILLIAM BECKER (36649096), Quartermaster Corps, 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 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Adelhaid Becker, (mother), 622 South 11th Avenue, Maywood, Illinois.

✓ Technician Fifth Grade JOHN J. DI ROSA, (12081669), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 April 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Carmelia DiRosa, (mother), 136 Clover Place, Cheektowaga, New York.

✓ Sergeant TED DUNKEL, (37355024), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 April 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Dunkel, (mother), Lakin, Kansas.

✓ First Lieutenant JAMES L. FLETCHER, JR., (01283401), 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 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jean Fletcher, (wife), 66 Dell Road, Birmingham, Alabama.

*Organ Award by Co # 213 - July 12, 1945*  
\* Technician Fourth Grade VENDELEN JIM JAROSH, (37664748), ~~Field Artillery~~, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17, 18, and 19 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Angela Jarosh, (wife), 914 16th Avenue, S.E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

✓ Sergeant (then Private First Class) JAMES B. LIBER, (15076868), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 15 April 1945 to 5 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ida M. Liber, (mother), 1109 Third Street, Canton, Ohio.

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✓ Technical Sergeant ROBERT M. LONGCORE, (20633647), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 22 February 1945 to 7 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jesse Longcore, (mother), Newaygo, Michigan.

✓ First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) BENJAMIN J. LAYER, (01686384), 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 13 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Christian P. Mayer, (father), 3175 North Holton Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

✓ Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) VICTOR PANGRAZZI, (36185043), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 22 February 1945 to 7 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Pangrazzi, (mother), 318 Blaine Street, Iron Mountain, Michigan.

✓ Sergeant EARL WILLIAMS, (31174855), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 April 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sarah L. Williams, (mother), Pleasant Street, Marlboro, New Hampshire.

Technical Sergeant JAMES E. WINTER, (39617500), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 April 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Fairia Winter, (wife), Red Lodge, Montana.

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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 (then Second Lieutenant) STEVEN J. BIANCHI, (01327802), 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. Lieutenant Bianchi led a combat patrol to hunt out and destroy any enemy patrols operating near our positions. The patrol encountered such an enemy force, and under Lieutenant Bianchi's aggressive leadership killed two of the Japanese and dispersed the rest. A suspected cave was reconnoitered, and when the presence of the enemy was established, Lieutenant Bianchi moved forward alone under hostile machine gun and small arms fire and threw two grenades into the mouth of the cave, killing six Japanese soldiers. Lieutenant Bianchi's courageous leadership made possible the successful completion of the patrol's mission. Home address: Mrs. Iris H. Bianchi, (wife), 6800 Hollenbeck Street, Huntington Park, California.

Private JAMES T. CAMPBELL, (37748763), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 May 1945. Private Campbell was a member of a mountain-gun crew whose emplacement was being subjected to heavy automatic weapons and small arms fire by the enemy. When the non-commissioned officer in charge was killed, Private Campbell took over and kept the gun in constant operation. By placing a heavy volume of fire on enemy positions he materially aided the assault of our troops against these hostile strongpoints. Private Campbell displayed great courage and initiative in this action. Home address: Mrs. Elvin A. Campbell, (mother), Elm, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) JOHN S. DUFFEY, (35251503), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 May 1945. The enemy attacked a company perimeter with grenades and small arms fire. A phosphorous grenade exploded on the edge of a machine gun emplacement, throwing fire that endangered the crew and threatened the possible loss of the weapon. Sergeant Duffey immediately jumped into the open and exposed himself for several minutes to

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the enemy fire while he extinguished the grenades. This highly courageous action reflects great credit on Sergeant Duffy. Home address: Mrs. Andrea Duffey, (mother), 1602 South Jefferson Street, Hartford City, Indiana.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) THEODORE J. ROODHOF, (32911858), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Fe, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 June 1945. A hostile force was resisting from a number of caves affording an excellent field of fire against a direct frontal attack. Sergeant Roodhof led a party up the side of a height until they were above the enemy strongpoints. From this site they tossed grenades that forced the Japanese to take cover, and allowed our demolition men to advance and seal the mouths of the caves with their charges. Sergeant Roodhof displayed great courage and initiative in this incident. Home address: Mrs. Annette Roodhof, (mother), Box 631, Bainbridge, New York.

Staff Sergeant JOHN W. SOLLARS, (16099602), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 29 November 1944. Sergeant Sollars led a patrol to reconnoiter enemy positions. When they were unexpectedly subjected to automatic weapons and small arms fire, he, although dazed as a result of three bullets passing through his helmet, controlled the situation by leading the men out of the line of fire. Subsequently, they were attacked by an enemy force, and Sergeant Sollars led an aggressive counter-attack that wiped out the hostile party. His heroic and extremely capable leadership made possible the successful completion of the patrol's mission. Home address: Mrs. Cecilia Sollars, (mother), Rural Route #1, Westville, Illinois.

Private First Class NATHAN SPIEGELMAN, (39584678), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 May 1945. The progress of a squad was halted by intense enemy machine gun fire from a pillbox on the slope of a hill. To neutralize this obstacle, Private Spiegelman armed himself with grenades and crawled through the underbrush to within range of the hostile emplacement. From this point, despite the efforts of the enemy to stop him, he tossed grenades until the pillbox had been effectively silenced. While performing this heroic action Private Spiegelman was wounded by the explosion of an enemy grenade. Home address: Mrs. Liba Spiegelman, (wife), 9424 Kirkside Road, Los Angeles, California.

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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:

Private First Class GEORGE M. BRONSON, (31151995), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 22 February 1945 to 7 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Fareda Bronson, (mother), 57 Chestnut Street, Roth, Maine.

Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM P. COOK, (38469421), Medical Department, 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. Georgia Mae Cooper, (sister), Route #2, Box 2, Baxter Springs, Kansas.

Private First Class HAROLD E. FLORY, (35365880), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 22 February 1945 to 7 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marabelle Flory, (wife), 108 River Street, Plymouth, Indiana.

Private NICHOLAS KRUPA, (31145584), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 22 February 1945 to 7 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Krupa, (wife), 57 House Street, Glastonbury, Connecticut.

Staff Sergeant BARNEY R. LANGE, (38477596), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 April 1945 to 9 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Lange, (mother), Gause, Texas.

Second Lieutenant (then Technician Fourth Grade) DAVID A. LEYSHON, JR., (02027014), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 18 November 1944. When the enemy began a severe artillery barrage on the Division Command Post area, Lieutenant Leyshon abandoned his position of safety to administer first aid to the casualties, and did not seek cover for himself until all the casualties had been treated. The heroic ministrations of Lieutenant Leyshon,



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performed at great risk to himself, rendered exceptional service to our wounded. Home address: Mrs. D.H. Leyshon, (wife) 2607 Parkside Avenue, Richmond, Virginia.

Staff Sergeant ERNEST L. OGLE, (38199734), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 April 1945 to 7 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Joe M. Ogle, (father), Route #2, Yantis, Texas.

Sergeant SAMUEL J. RICHIE, (20657144), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 15 April 1945 to 27 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Eugene Richie, (father), Route 2, Box 34, Hudson, Wisconsin.

Private First Class HAROLD R. ST. FRANCIS, (31154984), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 22 February 1945 to 7 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Nizaire St. Francis, (father), 44 Liberty Street, Swanton, Vermont.

Private First Class GEORGE F. WINGAD, (20645100), 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 26 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Wingad, (mother), Strum, Wisconsin.

First Sergeant ARCHIE E. WHITE, (39094161), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 7 December 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mildred White, (wife), 625 N.E. 22d Street, Portland, Oregon.

Staff Sergeant WAYNE G. ZAMBIASI, (16149358), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 April 1945 to 12 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Barbara Zambiasi, (mother), RFD 2, Owasso, Michigan.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

Sergeant WILLIS R. BENTZ, (36207854), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lily Bentz, (mother), 824 East Lake Street, Horicon, Wisconsin.

Corporal WILLIAM J. CICHANOV CZ, (32194900), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Cichanovcz, (mother), 232 Meserole Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Captain JACK CONARD, (0394723), 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 9 May 1945. Home address: Mr. J. W. Conard, (father), Rossville, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant JAMES M. DAWSON, JR., (33095177), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 14 to 16 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Dawson, (mother), 1714 Rogers Street, Richmond, Virginia.

Staff Sergeant LOUIS R. DRAGAN, (20651311), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 6 March 1945 to 8 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Louis Dragan, (father), 908 South 7th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade MARIUS P. GRONBECK, (20651749), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 May 1945 to 18 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie P. Gronbeck, (mother), 1932 George Street, LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant ELMER J. HANDEL, (20652865), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine

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Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 18 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph Handel, (father), 105 State Street, Hartford, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant CECIL C. KING, (20639430), Medical Department, 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 King, (mother), 113 1/2 South Pleasant Street, Bidding, Michigan.

Private First Class NORMAN E. PELOQUIN, (20652037), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 27 June 1944 to 22 November 1944. Home address: Mr. Frank S. Peloquin, (father), 497 Irvine Street, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

Major (then Captain) WESTON C. PORTER, (0416418), 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 3 June 1945. Home address: Mr. T. H. Porter, (father), 139 South 12th Street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Sergeant STANLEY W. PRACHNIK, (6144915), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 19 November 1944 to 29 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marian Florene Prachniak, (wife), 581 Farrington Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Staff Sergeant EUGENE F. WEISS, (36208638), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 13 February 1945 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Weiss, (mother), Bailey's Harbor, Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM E. WHITE, (36283606), 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 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. F. W. White, (mother), 1007 East Manitoba Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

Technician Fifth Grade RUSSELL C. COCHRANE, (36186383), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 15 November 1944 to 30 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Irene B. Cochrane, (mother), R.R. #1, Manton, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class) EDWARD E. COMBE, (31341903), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 3 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ida Combe, (mother), 26 Silver Street, Middletown, Connecticut.

Sergeant (then Corporal) ALEXANDER B. COMPTON, (38118994), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 17 November 1944 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Byron Compton, (father), Littlefield, Texas.

Corporal (then Technician Fifth Grade) LUCIUS C. CONNELLY, (17179471), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth A. Connelly, (mother), Bancroft, Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) ROBERT A. FORREST, (34836298), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Estes D. Forrest, (father), Plains, Georgia.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) GEORGE HARVILLA, (36111030), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 April 1945 to 1 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Annæ Harvilla, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Box 39, Commadore, Pennsylvania.

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Corporal JENS C. JENSEN, (36207136), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 24 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marth Jensen, (mother), R.R. 1, Box 79, Camp Douglas, Wisconsin.

Corporal CALBRAITH H. LILLY, (35262499), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 17 November 1944 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Faye Lilly, (mother), Glenn Morgan, West Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade ESTEL R. MERRITT, (37597947), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara A. Merritt, (mother), Route #2, Hinckley, Minnesota.

Lieutenant Colonel ROBERT A. PORTS, (018175), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 24 March 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Kathryn S. Ports, (wife), 1532 East 20th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) ROBERT J. SICKELCO, (02037176), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nettie Sickelco, (mother), 53 Paxton Road, Rochester, New York.

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**ORIGINAL ORDER -**

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

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

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

Private First Class DOMINIC J. D'ANGELO, (39134361), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Tebbo, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 March 1945. Enemy machine gun fire from a nearby height was inflicting casualties on our troops. When the squad leader and another enlisted man of his mortar squad were wounded, Private D'Angelo, on his own initiative and entirely unassisted, moved the mortar to a new and exposed position and returned the hostile fire. Operating without the aid of an observer he succeeded in knocking out one of the Japanese machine gun positions and placed harassing fire on the others. He continued to operate his mortar until killed by a burst of enemy machine gun fire. Private D'Angelo gallantly sacrificed his life in an attempt to save his companions further casualties. Next of kin: Mrs. Bonita D'Angelo, (wife), 1310 Carolina Street, San Francisco, California.

Sergeant LA ROY R. PAYNE, (39345053), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 April 1945. An attack by an infantry platoon on a Japanese-held height was halted by the intense nature of the hostile machine gun and small arms fire. When the enemy began an enveloping movement the order was received for the platoon to withdraw, and Sergeant Payne moved into the open to cover the withdrawal of his companions by fire from his sub-machine gun. He succeeded in killing six of the enemy with accurate bursts from his weapon, and although himself seriously wounded, he held his ground until the platoon had completed its movement. Sergeant Payne's highly courageous action saved a critical situation. Next of kin: Mrs. Thelma M. Payne, (wife), Lafayette, Oregon.

**II. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:**

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

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First Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) WALTER J. BRONCHIDLE, (32376211), Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Kananga, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 5 December 1944. After previous attempts to establish an observation post on the crest of a hill had been repulsed by the enemy, Sergeant Bronschidle led a patrol in a surprise attack on the position. He capably led his men to a favorable point on the height, and then spearheaded an assault that took the enemy completely by surprise. Owing in great measure to Sergeant Bronschidle's courageous and competent leadership, the Japanese were driven from the hill with heavy loss to themselves. Home address: Mrs. Lydia Bronschidle, (mother), 399 Young Street, Tonawanda, New York.

Private First Class FREDDIE L. BROWN, (18133442), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 April 1945. Private Brown, serving as lead scout on a combat patrol, spotted and aided in killing two enemy snipers. Later, having detected a number of Japanese-held caves, he skilfully led a flame-thrower operator to an advantageous position, and as soon as the flame-thrower was in operation, he led the patrol in an assault that inflicted great loss on the enemy. Private Brown's gallantry made possible the successful completion of the patrol's mission. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle I. Peblcy, (sister), Route 1, Weatherford, Oklahoma.

Technical Sergeant WILLIE L. BROWN, (37102767), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 February 1945. Under cover of darkness the enemy established foxhole positions ten yards in front of a company perimeter. The following morning, Sergeant ~~Brown~~ and another enlisted man undertook to wipe out these positions by grenade attacks. Although they came under heavy machine gun and sniper fire from hostile installations further removed, they courageously tossed grenades in each foxhole. Occasionally an enemy soldier would throw out the grenade before it exploded, thereby greatly heightening the hazard of their task. After a continuous period of three hours under fire, the two men completed their arduous mission. Sergeant Brown, at great risk to himself, assisted in removing a dangerous threat to our troops. Home address: Mr. Richard Brown, (father), Route #2, DeWitt, Arkansas.

First Sergeant CARL L. MCCABEE, (16072906), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 February 1945. Under cover of darkness the enemy established foxhole positions ten yards in front of a company perimeter. The following morning Sergeant McCabe and another enlisted man undertook to wipe out these positions by grenade attacks. Although they came under heavy machine gun and sniper fire from hostile installations further removed, they courageously tossed grenades in each foxhole. Occasionally an enemy soldier would throw out the grenade before it exploded, thereby greatly heightening the hazard of their task. After a

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continuous period of three hours under fire, the two men completed their arduous mission. Sergeant Mocabee, at great risk to himself, assisted in removing a dangerous threat to our troops. Home address: Mr. Edward Mocabee, (father), Lovington, Illinois.

Corporal THOMAS L. MOUNT, (33145360), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Lonoy, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 25 December 1944. Corporal Mount was a member of an observer party accompanying an infantry company moving against enemy positions. During an exchange of fire with a hostile force the man who was carrying the radio transmitter was wounded, and Corporal Mount went to his assistance. After he had brought the casualty to a position of safety it was discovered that the radio transmitter had been left behind. Realizing that the observer party would not be able to direct artillery action without the transmitter, Corporal Mount returned under fire to the spot where it had been abandoned and recovered the transmitter. This gallant act of Corporal Mount brought him within dangerously close proximity of the enemy, and was performed at great risk to himself. Home address: Mrs. Anna Mount, (mother), 1522 Porter Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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continuous period of three hours under fire, the two men completed their arduous mission. Sergeant Mocabee, at great risk to himself, assisted in removing a dangerous threat to our troops. Home address: Mr. Edward Mocabee, (father), Lovington, Illinois.

Corporal THOMAS L. MOUNT, (33145360), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Lonoy, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 25 December 1944. Corporal Mount was a member of an observer party accompanying an infantry company moving against enemy positions. During an exchange of fire with a hostile force the man who was carrying the radio transmitter was wounded, and Corporal Mount went to his assistance. After he had brought the casualty to a position of safety it was discovered that the radio transmitter had been left behind. Realizing that the observer party would not be able to direct artillery action without the transmitter, Corporal Mount returned under fire to the spot where it had been abandoned and recovered the transmitter. This gallant act of Corporal Mount brought him within dangerously close proximity of the enemy, and was performed at great risk to himself. Home address: Mrs. Anna Mount, (mother), 1522 Porter Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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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 following named enlisted man:

Private First Class WORTH REGISTER, (34176962), 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 6 April 1945. Private Register was a member of an artillery observer party attached to an infantry company engaging in an attack on a strongly defended hill. Carrying a heavy radio he moved forward under intense hostile machine gun fire to a point favorable for radio transmission to our artillery. In spite of the great danger of his exposed position he began setting up his radio. While engaged at this task he was struck and killed by a burst of enemy fire. Private Register's heroic sacrifice assisted our troops to complete their mission. Next of kin: Mrs. Rosa T. Register, (mother), Dunn, North Carolina.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

First Lieutenant JACK N. BELTZ, (0298754), Armored Forces, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 April 1945. When Lieutenant Beltz observed enemy artillery shells explode on a trail down which a civilian carrier train was proceeding, he rushed to the spot and began directing the evacuation of the wounded. Although the men were seriously disorganized and dazed by the concussion of the shells, his calm and capable direction soon restored order, and the wounded were evacuated and the trail cleared before any more shells landed. Lieutenant Beltz' courageous leadership saved the wounded from further injury. Home address: Mrs. Therese M. Beltz, (wife), 9860 Walnut, Oakland, California.

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Staff Sergeant SAM F. BIANCHI, (35564490), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 May 1945. Sergeant Bianchi was leading a demolition party toward a number of enemy-held caves when he came upon three Japanese soldiers. He immediately opened fire with a pistol, killing one of the three. When his ammunition was expended, he secured a sub-machine gun from a member of the patrol and killed a second Japanese. When this weapon jammed, he obtained an automatic rifle and killed the third enemy soldier. By his swift and courageous action Sergeant Bianchi made it possible for the demolition party to continue with its mission. Home address: Mrs. Santina Bianchi, (mother), Route #1, Covert, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) WARD P. HAWKINS, (37603477), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 March 1945. Technician Hawkins, a radio operator, and another communications man were maintaining an observation post outside the perimeter of an infantry company. When several enemy soldiers attacked the post, he seized his carbine and delivered rapid and accurate fire that killed one of the attackers and drove the others off. Technician Hawkins' courageous and vigorous defense saved vitally needed communications from being interrupted by the enemy action. Home address: Mrs. Lattie P. Hawkins, (mother), Shirley, Missouri.

Sergeant FRANK J. HENNEMAN, (33065461), Armored Forces, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 April 1945. When Sergeant Henneman observed two wounded soldiers lying on a trail being subjected to heavy sniper fire, he guided his tank so as to provide cover for their evacuation. In order to accomplish this it was necessary for him to walk alongside the tank, thus exposing himself to the intense hostile fire. Under his capable direction accurate counter-fire by the tank was placed on the enemy positions, making it possible for a rescue party to creep forward under cover of this diversion and carry back the two wounded soldiers. Sergeant Henneman voluntarily underwent great risk to assist in the rescue of the casualties. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Henneman, (wife), 2234 Lake Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland.

Sergeant METRO RIDOSH, (33149698), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 4 April 1945 to 9 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Julia Ridosh, (mother), 5514 Second Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ERNEST V. SACK, (39309436), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Sapinit, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 March 1945. A soldier proceeding along a trail

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was struck by hostile machine gun fire and fell in an exposed area. Private Sack immediately left his sheltered position and went to the man's rescue. Although intense automatic weapons fire was directed at him from both flanks, he crawled to the casualty's side and alternately dragging and carrying him, brought the injured soldier to a position of safety. Private Sack, at great risk to himself, saved the life of a comrade. Home address: Mrs. Jane Sack, (mother), General Delivery, Williamina, Oregon.

Sergeant MAX STOOL, (38077394), 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 May 1945. An infantry company was establishing a perimeter when the enemy opened fire on the area with machine guns. When Sergeant Stool observed that one of the members of his squad was wounded, he ran forward under the intense hostile fire and dragged the man into a nearby foxhole. This heroic act of Sergeant Stool undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Ler Stool, (mother), Wink, Texas.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH G. WITHAM, (01322862), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 May 1945. When three members of his gun crew were wounded by enemy artillery fire, Lieutenant Witham remained in the open without concealment from the continuing bombardment to treat the wounds of the casualties. The prompt assistance rendered by Lieutenant Witham while under fire possibly saved the lives of the wounded soldiers. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Witham, (mother), 429 Medford Street, Somerville, Massachusetts.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) NORMAN WOCKENFUSS, (37314669), 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 April 1945. The enemy shelled a ridge occupied by an infantry platoon, causing several casualties. When the order was received for the platoon to withdraw, Sergeant Wockenfuss remained at his light machine gun and furnished covering fire for his companions. Although shells continued to fall in the area, he maintained a steady stream of fire that disrupted the efforts of enemy snipers to halt the withdrawal. Sergeant Wockenfuss' heroic action saved his comrades from additional casualties. Home address: Mrs. Bernard J. Wockenfuss, (mother), Ipswich, South Dakota.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) CLARENCE J. WOLFGRAM, (20647562), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 May 1945. Technician Wolfram and two other men were occupying a foxhole on the edge of a perimeter when an enemy grenade was tossed into the hole, wounding Technician Wolfram

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and one of his companions. Although he was severely injured, he assisted in carrying the other wounded soldier to an aid station, and then, not waiting to have his own wounds attended to, he returned to the foxhole and stayed at his post until relieved the following morning. Technician Wolfgram's extreme devotion to duty was in the best tradition of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Myra Wolfgram, (mother), 1416 Erb Street, Appleton, Wisconsin.

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I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Private First Class Joseph J. Figueroa by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section II, General Orders Number 56, dated 20 July 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:

Private First Class JOSEPH J. FIGUEROA, (39047127), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Tebbo, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 March 1945. Private Figueroa was a member of an outpost whose mission it was to protect the flank of the battalion. A large force of the enemy attacked the outpost with mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire. Although he was severely wounded in the initial stages of the fighting, Private Figueroa stood his ground and hurled grenades at the charging Japanese. Private Figueroa's gallant defense was the major factor in the repulse of the enemy's attack. Home address: Mrs. Madeline Catano, (mother), 1510 East 14th Street, Oakland, California.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Corporal Richard L. Crain by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section III, General Orders Number 58, dated 1 April 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Corporal RICHARD L. CRAIN, (37372846), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 10 March 1945 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Ernest P. Crain, (father), Aldrich, Missouri.

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III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Sergeant Carl M. Mathias by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section II, General Orders Number 88, dated 18 April 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows

Sergeant CARL M. MATHIAS, (35337711), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 4 May 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Betty M. Mathias, (wife), 1215 Stilwell Avenue, Fremont, Ohio.

IV. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain James T. Patterson, Jr., by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section II, General Orders Number 19, dated 3 February 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain JAMES T. PATTERSON, JR., (0454316), Field Artillery, 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. Margaret Patterson, (wife), 2915 Grove Avenue, Richmond, Virginia.

V. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

Captain EDGAR G. INGALLS, (0419715), Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pinamopan Point, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 November 1944. When a medical installation was subjected to intense machine gun fire by the enemy, Captain Ingalls exposed himself in a courageous attempt to rescue a soldier who had been hit. Subsequently, he organized teams to evacuate the wounded from the zone of danger, and under his capable and vigorous direction all litter patients were safely removed. Captain Ingalls' behavior under fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Home address: Mr. Edgar G. Ingalls, Sr., (father), 1720 West 31st Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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ORIGINAL ORDER -

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

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

Private First Class RUSSELL J. KLAGES, (33269565), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 April 1945. Private Klages was in his foxhole when he heard the report of an enemy artillery piece. Fearing that two companions twenty yards away might not have heard the report, he jumped into the open and shouted a warning. The two men hit the ground just before the shell burst and escaped with only slight wounds, but Private Klages was mortally wounded by the explosion. Private Klages' heroic sacrifice undoubtedly saved the lives of his two comrades. Next of kin: Mrs. Ethel Klages, (mother), 641 Maryland Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

**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 enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade CHARLES BOSSHART, (33423964), 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 4 May 1945 and 8 May 1945. On the first date Technician Bosshart left the security of his foxhole to cross an area under heavy enemy artillery fire to administer aid to a wounded soldier. On the second occasion, during an enemy attack on the perimeter, he again exposed himself to heavy hostile fire in order to assist a casualty to a position of safety. Technician Bosshart displayed exceptional courage and devotion to duty in both of these incidents. Home address: Mrs. Anna Bosshart, (mother), 1400 Middle Street, Shappsburg, Pennsylvania.

Corporal (then Private First Class) CALVIN D. BROWN, (31059987), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near

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Pinamocan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 November 1944. The forward observer party of which Corporal Brown was a member was fired on by the enemy, and the decision was made that the party turn back. Corporal Brown, learning that a valuable radio had been left behind, traveled a hundred yards under intense machine gun and small arms fire to locate and return with the radio. Corporal Brown risked his life to keep an important item of equipment from falling into the hands of the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Mabel Lee Sullivan, (sister), 367 William Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Technical Sergeant RUSSELL BUYS, (20635186), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 May 1945. During an assault upon enemy-held hill, Sergeant Buys' platoon came under heavy machine gun, grenade, and small arms fire. It was necessary to fall back to covered positions if further casualties were to be avoided. Heedless of the danger to himself, Sergeant Buys directed a speedy and orderly withdrawal, and then constructed a defensive line that enabled the platoon to repel a subsequent attack by the enemy. Sergeant Buys by his courageous and capable leadership, successfully surmounted a dangerous crisis. Home address: Mr. William Buys, (father), Route #2, Muskegon, Michigan.

Sergeant GAYLEN K. CHAMPLIN, (37000977), 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. A combat patrol engaged in mopping up operations against enemy-held caves, received casualties from the automatic weapons fire of the defenders. When Sergeant Champlin learned that one of the wounded was lying helpless on an exposed area, he proceeded under fire to the casualty's side and began dragging him to a position of safety. While engaged at this task he was wounded in the arm, but disregarding the pain of his injury he succeeded in bringing the wounded man out of the line of fire. Home address: Mrs. Tressie L. Champlin, (mother), Route #2, Ridgeway, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM H. HEADRICK, (36723546), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 May 1945. The platoon of which Sergeant Headrick was a member was forced to withdraw before the withering automatic weapons and small arms fire of the enemy. In order to furnish covering fire for the platoon, Sergeant Headrick took up a position that offered little concealment and placed a heavy volume of automatic rifle and grenade fire on the Japanese installations. This diversion caused the enemy to concentrate the bulk of their fire on Sergeant Headrick, and as a result of his heroic action the platoon was spared many additional casualties. Home address: Mrs. Gella Headrick, (mother), Route #2, Carrier Mills, Illinois.

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Technician Fourth Grade (then Corporal) MARIO R. MATTIA, (33145328), 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 2 March 1945. A combat patrol was prevented from fording a river by the machine gun and sniper fire laid down from enemy installations. In order to make a crossing possible, Technician Mattia stood up in plain view and semaphored to a friendly observation post for a smoke screen. Subsequently, the patrol was enabled to ford the river behind the cover of the smoke screen. Technician Mattia's courageous action made it possible for the patrol to successfully complete its mission. Home address: Mrs. Julia Mattia, (mother), 1636 South 13th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) LOUIS D. PETREE, (37073304), 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 April 1945. When the attack of his platoon upon the crest of a hill was halted by the fierce machine gun and small arms fire of the enemy, Sergeant Petree moved forward into the open and sprayed the hostile positions with bursts from his automatic rifle. The accurate and heavy fire laid down by Sergeant Petree enabled his companions to charge forward and secure the crest of the hill. Home address: Mrs. Letha Petree, (mother), 1217 Linwood Boulevard, Kansas City, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT J. F. ROMPS, (36665194), 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 24 April 1945. Technician Romps was sent to repair a telephone line damaged by enemy artillery fire. As he started working the enemy once more began to shell the area, but realizing that this line of communication was vital to the operations of our forces, he did not seek cover for himself until the break had been repaired. Technician Romps' personal courage and devotion to duty were outstanding in this incident. Home address: Mrs. Clara Romps, (mother), 3644 North Osceola Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

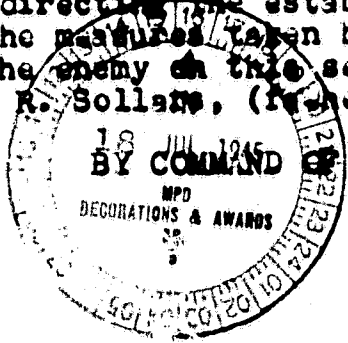
~~Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) JOHN W. SOLLARS~~, (16099602), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 March 1945. After heavy artillery preparation, and under cover of darkness, the enemy launched an assault against the perimeter of an infantry company. Sergeant Sollars, aware that the left flank of the perimeter was defended by men without previous combat experience, rushed to this point and with an automatic rifle laid down such an intense stream of fire that the initial attack was repulsed. Then, although hostile machine gun and small arms fire was raking the area,

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he moved among the men, encouraging them by his example of coolness and directing the establishment of a defensive line. As a result of the measures taken by Sergeant Sollars, all subsequent attacks by the enemy on this sector were repelled. Home address: Mr. John R. Sollars, (father), Route #1, Westville, Illinois.



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

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

Technical Sergeant EDWIN J. ARPE, (36209415), 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: Mrs. Catherine Arpe, (mother), 2519 West Center Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Third Grade ANTHONY J. BROCCOLI, (31040661), 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 3 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emily Broccoli, (mother), 2566 East Main Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Captain MICHAEL A. CAVUOTI, (0327539), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Dominick Cavuoti, (father), 257 Flatbush Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Technical Sergeant JACK J. GERARD, (36104661), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 18 November 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Norma A. Gerard, (wife), R.F.D. #2, Sparta, Michigan.

Major MAC T. HARDWICK, (0404850), 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 3 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hazel Hardwick, (wife), 204 Fourth Avenue, East Twin Falls, Idaho.

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Technical Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) FRED G. HOFMAN, (36178006), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 5 December 1944 to 7 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Fred J. Hofman, (father), 14115 Hazelridge Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade NICHOLAS P. LAPING, (36110991), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 April 1945 to 1 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Koller, (mother), 5059 Lakeview Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade HENRY LUGOWSKI, (36560777), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Lugowski, (mother), 9437 St. Cyril, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Third Grade LEONARD P. THOMMES, (37276066), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Susannah Thommes, (mother), Buckman, Minnesota.

Major LLOYD M. WELKER, (0352815), 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 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. William P. Welker, (mother), 809 North 6th Street, Vandalia, Illinois.

Sergeant KENNETH M. WECHSLER, (36380894), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 4 April 1945 to 9 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. George Wechsler, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Sterling, Illinois.

Major WILL R. WILSON, (0315865), Inspector General's 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. Will R. Wilson, Sr., (father), Dallas, Texas.

II. AMENDMENT OF ORDER:

So much of General Orders No. 51, Headquarters 32d Infantry Division, dated 24 March 1945, pertaining to the award, posthumous, of the Silver Star, to First Lieutenant Eugene L. Jabush, 01303894, as reads 21 November 1944 is amended to read 22 November 1944.

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III. AMENDMENT OF ORDER:

So much of General Orders No. 203, Headquarters 32d Infantry Division, dated 4 July 1945 as reads Technician Fourth Grade VENDELEN JIM JAROSH, (37664748), Field Artillery, is amended to read Technician Fourth Grade VENDELEN JIM JAROSH, (37664748), Armored.

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**I. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:**

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Staff Sergeant Edward C. Hockenbury by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section II, General Orders No. 127, dated 23 May 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 EDWARD C. HOCKENBURY, (37254890), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 and 24 February 1945. Sergeant Hockenbury led his platoon against a numerically superior enemy force occupying dug-in positions. Under his capable and courageous leadership the hostile emplacements were occupied by the platoon and the Japanese defenders annihilated. Subsequently, a determined counter-attack by the enemy was repulsed. The successful completion of this mission was due in large measure to the superior leadership of Sergeant Hockenbury. Home address: Mr. Clarence H. Hockenbury, (father), Route #3, Arkansas City, Kansas.

**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:

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) CARL G. LAYTON, (20652440), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Santa Rosa, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 March 1945. Technician Layton was a radio operator whose mission was to direct artillery fire in support of an attack by an infantry company against strongly-defended enemy positions. Although intense mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire was directed at him, he kept his radio in operation, changing his position frequently to avoid being struck. Technician Layton's gallant behavior made possible the successful completion of the company's mission. Home address: Mrs. Emma Layton, (mother), Route 5, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin.

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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 Fifth Grade RUSSELL W. SWEENEY, (39141598), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroism near Aringay, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 June 1945. Technician Sweeney went to the rescue of a soldier seized by cramps while swimming in deep water. The drowning man clutched Technician Sweeney about the neck, and but for the vigorous measures employed by the latter, he would have drawn them both beneath the surface. The beach was reached after a difficult swim, and there artificial respiration was administered to the unconscious man. Technician Sweeney, at great risk to himself, saved the life of this soldier. Home address: Mrs. Alice Sweeney, (mother), 1650 Haight Street, San Francisco, California.

IV. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Sergeant Harold L. Endres by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, Section V, General Orders No. 83, dated 14 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:

Sergeant HAROLD L. ENDRES, (20654291), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 19 April 1945 to 1 June 1945. Home address: Mr. W. A. Endres, (father), 25 South Charter, Madison, Wisconsin.

V. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Fourth Grade Roland N. Simoncini by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section III, General Orders No. 58, dated 1 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 Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) ROLAND N. SIMONCINI, (39828851), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 28 March 1945 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Simoncini, (mother), 745 C Street, Sparks, Nevada.

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VI. 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 WILLIAM D. ANDERSON, (38589902), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 April 1945. During the course of an enemy attack on positions occupied by our troops, a grenade fragment severed the ammunition belt of the machine gun operated by Private Anderson. In spite of the heavy grenade and automatic weapons fire directed at him, he immediately left his position to secure a new ammunition belt. Braving the hostile fire again, he returned to the machine gun and placing the weapon in operation helped repel the enemy attack. Private Anderson displayed outstanding courage in this incident. Home address: Mrs. Hattie R. Anderson, (mother), Star Route, Box 31, Bethel, Oklahoma.

Private First Class CHESTER G. CASKEY, (36249454), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 April 1945. A civilian carrier was struck in both legs and fell on a trail swept by the fire of an enemy machine gun. Private Caskey immediately risked the withering fire to carry the civilian to a sheltered point where he administered first aid that undoubtedly saved the wounded man's life. Private Caskey's heroic behavior under heavy enemy fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Home address: Mrs. Sylvester Caskey, (mother), Sylvan Rest Cabins, Phelps, Wisconsin.

Master Sergeant HAROLD J. RUOFF, (32202060), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 26 June 1944 to 18 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Ruoff, (mother), 9 Reynolds Place, Newark, New Jersey.

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

Second Lieutenant GLENN E. BATEMAN, (01686312) Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 March 1945 to 6 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Ernest D. Bateman, (father), Route 4, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

Sergeant HAROLD E. BIGGS, (36110692), 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 1944 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Norma Biggs, (mother), 3043 Chalmers, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade HAROLD J. DIXON, (20651744) Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 28 March 1945 to 8 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Dixon, (mother), 817 St. Cloud, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant EARL P. HEBERT, (20646252), Ordnance Department, 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 24 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ellen Hebert, (mother), 1018 1/2 Main Street, Oconto, Wisconsin.

Technician Third Grade WILLIAM J. MACAULAY, (36208562) Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 7 January 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eleanor Macaulay, (mother), De Sota, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) DANIEL F. MAHONEY, (31059862), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations.

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against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 31 January to 3 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary T. Mahoney, (mother), Amory Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

First Sergeant ALAN J. NELSON, (12088168), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 April 1945 to 11 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nancy Nelson, (mother) 2920 West 21st Street, Brooklyn, New York.

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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 Albert I. Weisskopf by the Commanding General 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 1, Section I, General Orders No. 50, dated 23 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:

First Lieutenant ALBERT I. WEISSKOPF, (01178665), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 April 1945. Lieutenant Weisskopf flew an unarmed and unarmored liaison type plane over terrain occupied by the enemy for the purpose of directing our artillery. In addition to the hazard of treacherous air currents, he was subject to enemy machine gun fire and, while flying low, to fragments of exploding mortar shells. Although his plane was struck several times by the enemy's fire, he persevered at his task for a period of two and a half hours. Lieutenant Weisskopf's achievements greatly aided the operations of our troops. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Weisskopf, (mother), 845 Oaksdale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provision 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:

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) KENNETH F. CRAMER, (36646004), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 April 1945. Technician Cramer, a radio operator with an observation party, was occupying a position on the perimeter of an infantry company when the enemy began a severe artillery barrage in preparation for an attack. Shells landed only a few yards from Technician Cramer, wounding him and damaging his radio. However, realizing that communications with our supporting artillery had to be maintained, he quickly repaired the set, and without adequate

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cover from the hostile shells exploding in the area, continued relaying all fire-commands sent him. Technician Cramer's gallant behavior under heavy enemy fire was in the best traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Frederick L. Cramer, (father), 117 East Jefferson Street, Joliet, Illinois.

III 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:

Technician Third Grade RUDOLPH E. BARTO, (35529720), Medical Department, 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 Barto and another enlisted man immediately left a nearby dispensary and rushed to the burning building. At great risk to themselves from the flames, exploding ammunition, and falling timbers, they rescued several persons from the fiercely burning interior. They then administered first aid to the injured, and, although both had received serious burns, did not accept treatment for themselves until all the other casualties had been treated. Technician Barto, by his heroic behavior, was responsible for the saving of several lives. Home address: Mrs. Anna Barto, (mother), Post Office, Ledwyn, Manitoba, Canada.

Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) HARRY UNROE, JR., (35578492), Medical Department, 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. Sergeant Unroe and another enlisted man immediately left a nearby dispensary and rushed to the burning building. At great risk to themselves from the flames, exploding ammunition, and falling timbers, they rescued several persons from the fiercely burning interior. They then administered first aid to the injured, and, although both had received serious burns, did not accept treatment for themselves until all the other casualties had been treated. Sergeant Unroe, by his heroic behavior was responsible for the saving of several lives. Home address: Mrs. Nellie Unroe, (mother), Frankfort, Indiana.

IV AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel Luster A. Vickrey by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3 Section II, General Orders No. 79, dated 13 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,

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4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel LUSTER A. VICKREY, (017592), Field Artillery, United States Army, For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 March 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Luster A. Vickrey, (wife), 102 West Maple Road, Linthicum Heights, Maryland.

V AWARD OF THE O.K-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel Ralph H. Watson by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 4, Section III, General Orders No. 68, 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:

Lieutenant Colonel RALPH H. WATSON, (0568171), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 4 March 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Watson, (wife), 1528 King Street, La Crosse, 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 officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class JAMES N. DEW, (35436283), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 6 May 1945 to 3 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pearl Dew, (mother), Maynor, West Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT W. DUNCAN, (32945504), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 22 February 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth A. Duncan, (wife), Greenville, New York.

Technician Fifth Grade VIRGIL C. GATES, (37473489), Field Artillery, 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. Fedora J. Gates, (mother), 1054 Sumner Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Private First Class GLEN L. HERBSTER, (32376584), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 6 May 1945 to 3 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Samuel E. Rothrock, (uncle), East Walnut Street, Lewiston, Pennsylvania.

Second Lieutenant HAROLD L. KAISER, JR., (02027409), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 15 April 1945 to 23 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pansy Kaiser, (mother), 211 West Walnut Street, Greencastle, Indiana.

Private JACK KIRKLAND, (36688968), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 April 1945 to 18 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Natalie Kirkland,

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(mother), Kerens, Texas.

Corporal (then Private First Class) ARTHUR MARSOCCI, (31292495), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 2 May 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Thomas Marsocci, (father), 20 Job Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Technician Third Grade FRED T. MIYATA, (39225935) 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: Mr. Motochika Miyata, (father), Block 26-6-D, Poston, Arizona.

First Lieutenant FRED K. STEWART, (02037221), Field Artillery, 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. Lillian G. Stewart, (wife), 1316 Maple Avenue, Evanston, Illinois.

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**AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

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

Captain JOHN N. EDDINS, (0415310), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 13 March 1945 to 1 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Thomas S. Eddins, (father), Decatur, Alabama.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) ARTHUR ODUM, (33091552), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 27 April 1945 to 11 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Annie Odum, (mother), 614 Moore Street, Bristol, Virginia.

First Sergeant SYLVESTER J. SCHEER, (20656213), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 26 April 1945 to 11 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph Scheer, (father), 1801 West Wright Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade MERWYN M. SCHULTZ, (W2107034), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 30 January 1945 to 3 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Max A. Schultz, (father), Post Office Box 282, Randolph, Wisconsin.

Sergeant WELDON W. WILSON, (34298475), 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 9 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. A. N. Wilson, (mother), Corinth, Route #5, Mississippi.

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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

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

Private First Class SEVERINO ADVINCULA, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 April 1945. Home address: Alejandra Advincula, (sister), Tacloban, Leyte

Private NICANOR ALBANIA, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 May 1945. Home address: Fausta Garcia, (wife), Santa Monica, Hagonoy, Bulacan.

Sergeant ABELARDO ALVAREZ, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 May 1945. Home address: Pacencia Oliveros, (mother), Plaridel, Bulacan.

Private BERNARDINO ANGELES, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 May 1945. Home address: Gregorio Angeles, (father), Masim, San Ildefonso, Bulacan.

Private BENJAMIN M. BERMIGIO, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 May 1945. Home address: Arsenia Montes, (mother), Apari, Cagayan.

Private ALBERTO BUNAG, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 May 1945. Home address: Natividad Cabande, (wife), San Ildefonso, Bulacan.

Private First Class ELIGIO CLEMENTE, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 May 1945. Home address: Jose Clemente, (father), Santa Monica, Hagonoy, Bulacan.

Second Lieutenant ANDRES M. CRUZ, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 April 1945. Home address: Rose Corpus, (wife), Sibul Springs, San Miguel, Bulacan.

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Private MARIANO DE LA CRUZ, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 April 1945. Home address: Rosenda de la Cruz, (sister), Plaridel, Bulacan.

Sergeant LEONARDO FELICIANO, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 2 May 1945. Home address: Segunda Bernardo, (mother), Bigaa, Bulacan.

Corporal ALEJANDRO FRANCIA, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Philippine Islands, on 16 May 1945. Home address: Maria Conanisada, (mother), Sibul Spring, San Miguel, Bulacan.

Corporal PRIETO C. GALICANO, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 May 1945. Home address: Alfredo Lumana, (step-father), Bagoc, Ilocos Norte.

Private MELCHOR G. TCHALLIN, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 April 1945. Home address: Angela de la Cruz, (mother), San Ildefonso, Bulacan.

Private First Class FELIXBERTO GERONIMO, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 April 1945. Home address: Terisita Galicia, Sibul Springs, San Miguel, Bulacan.

Second Lieutenant ARSENIO V. GOMEZ, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 May 1945. Home address: Felisa I. Gomez, (wife), San Ildefonso, Bulacan.

Private JULIO DE GUZMAN, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 April 1945. Home address: Teofilo de Guzman, (brother), Kalasag, San Ildefonso, Bulacan.

Private FELICIANO L. SMARIN, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 May 1945. Home address: Erlindo Icasiano, San Rafael, Bulacan.

Private EMILIO LEONARDO, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 May 1945. Home address: Maria Leonardo, (sister), Parulan, Plaridel, Bulacan.

Private First Class ELISEO LOPEZ, Infantry, Philippine

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Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 May 1945. Home address: Francisco Lopez, (father), Santa Monica, Hagonoy, Bulacan.

Private GERONIMO MAGBITANG, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 May 1945. Home address: Maximo Magbitang, (father), San Agustin, Hagonoy, Bulacan.

Private M. NUEL MANANSALA, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 May 1945. Home address: Juana del Pilar, (mother), Hagonoy, Bulacan.

Corporal SEBASTIAN MARCELLO, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 April 1945. Home address: Marcosa Cruz, (mother), Calumpit, Bulacan.

Private JUAN S. NAQU, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 April 1945. Home address: Teofila Torres, (mother), Baliwag, Bulacan.

Private GUILLERMO RAMOS, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 April 1945. Home address: Margarita Ramos, (wife), Tabang, Plaridel, Bulacan.

Corporal ILDEFONSO RAMOS, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 May 1945. Home address: Jose Ramos, (brother), Pinaod, San Ildefonso, Bulacan.

Private ZOILLO DE LOS REYES, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 April 1945. Home address: Faustino de los Reyes, (father), Palapala, San Ildefonso, Bulacan.

Corporal CONSTANCIO ROMPON, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 May 1945. Home address: Ponciano Rompon, (brother), Balesteros, Cagayan.

Private First Class RAYMUNDO SANTOS, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 April 1945. Home address: Carolina Gutierrez, (mother), Paombon, Bulacan.

Private TOMAS SIBBANO, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 April 1945. Home address: Dominga Sibbano, (sister),

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Private First Class LEONARDO TADEO, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 May 1945. Home address: Rosa Tadeo, (sister), Baliwag, Bulacan.

Private First Class BENEDICTO TECSON, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 April 1945. Home address: Leonor Tecson, (sister), Salacot, San Miguel, Bulacan.

Corporal BIENVINIDO TOLENTINO, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 April 1945. Home address: Rufino Tolentino, (father), Calumpit, Bulacan.

Private FEDERICO R. ULRIC, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 April 1945. Home address: Ernesto Reyes, (nephew), Maasim, San Ildefonso, Bulacan.

Private First Class BONIFACIO ULLALI, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 May 1945. Home address: Remigio Lopez, (mother), San Rafael, Bulacan.

Private First Class LEONARDO VAGIO, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 May 1945. Home address: Maria Trinidad Sayco, (wife), Pasong Kallos, San Rafael, Bulacan.

Private First Class ONOFRE VALDEZ, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 May 1945. Home address: Moises Valdez, (father), Antipolo, San Rafael, Bulacan.

Corporal FELIPE VALMOSINA, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 April 1945. Home address: Maria Parpan, (wife), Pala-pala, San Ildefonso, Bulacan.

Private RICARDO WICO, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 May 1945. Home address: Patrocina Hernandez, (mother), Calumpit, Bulacan.

Private First Class VICENTE YUSON, Infantry, Philippine Army. For wounds received in action near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 May 1945. Home address: Carmen de la Cruz, (wife), Pasong Kallos, San Rafael, Bulacan.

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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 for gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 April 1945. When two soldiers were struck by sniper fire and were unable to drag themselves to a position of cover, three enlisted men procured two litters and crawled a hundred yards under heavy and unceasing enemy fire to reach the casualties. Two trips were made under these highly hazardous conditions, and both of the wounded were safely evacuated. These three enlisted men unhesitatingly risked their lives to rescue the two wounded soldiers:

Technician Fourth Grade WILBURN M. CHEEK, (37514403), Armored Forces, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Wilburn B. Cheek, (father), Route 3, Stockton, Missouri.

Private First Class BOYD E. LENWAY, (6858880), Armored Forces, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mae M. Lenway, (wife), 551 East Florence Avenue, Inglewood, California.

Private First Class BENJAMIN A. SUGRENSKY, (33620902), Armored Forces, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Sugrensky, (mother), 141 South Line Street, Frackville, Pennsylvania.

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 officer:

First Lieutenant HOWARD B. HILL, (01184227), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 February 1945. Lieutenant Hill flew in an unarmed and unarmored liaison plane over enemy territory to direct the action of our artillery. He was subjected to heavy hostile fire throughout his mission, and narrowly escaped being shot down by an enemy machine gun advantageously placed on a

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hill. Having landed at his base for refueling, he returned to the hostile area and directed our artillery in the destruction of the menacing enemy machine gun. Lieutenant Hill's gallantry made possible the annihilation of a serious threat to our liaison planes. Home address: Mrs. Margaret G. Hill, (mother), 1227 Piedmont Road, Charleston, West Virginia.

III AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

Sergeant CLAUDE R. FANNING, (39419761), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 April 1945. Sergeant Fanning was the lead scout for a platoon attempting to occupy a hill. Heavy fire from an adjoining ridge pinned down the majority of the platoon, but Sergeant Fanning pushed forward to the crest and personally accounted for three of the enemy. Then, although he had been struck by a shell fragment, he returned down the slope and led the rest of the platoon to the top of the hill. The heroic behavior of Sergeant Fanning made possible the taking of this important objective. Home address: Mrs. Nellie Fanning, (mother), Route 2, Berryville, Arkansas.

Captain EDWARD KOPE, (0515893), Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 March 1945. Captain Kope was on duty at an aid station when two direct mortar hits were registered on the installation, wounding several of the occupants. At the same time the enemy began to sweep the area with heavy sniper fire. Although Captain Kope had received a severe arm wound he crawled through the wreckage of the aid station to administer first aid to the other wounded and to supervise their evacuation. Captain Kope's heroic behavior and unselfish devotion served as an inspiration to all those who witnessed his behavior. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Shahan, (sister), 136 Keesler Circle, Biloxi, Mississippi.

Private First Class WADE L. SOLL, (39596790), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 April 1945. Private Soll and another enlisted man were struck by enemy machine gun fire while proceeding across a draw. Their nearest support was some distance away, and perceiving this, the Japanese soldiers began to crawl down the side of the ravine toward the two wounded men. Even though wounded, Private Soll could have crawled to safety, but

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refusing to leave his companion, and in spite of the bullets striking the ground about him, he opened fire with his rifle and held off the enemy soldiers until our troops were able to reach his position. Private Soll displayed exceptional courage and devotion in this incident. Home address: Mrs. Verdie Soll, (mother), 3500 Kurtz Avenue, San Diego, California.

Private First Class CLAYTON D. STANTON, (38281852), 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 May 1945. In order to place effective howitzer fire on enemy installations, it was necessary that the piece be driven across a section of a road slick with mud and subject to intense hostile fire. Private Stanton, fully aware of the danger involved, volunteered for the mission and successfully maneuvered the gun to the new position. This heroic action of Private Stanton greatly aided the progress of our troops. Home address: Mrs. Leona L. Stanton, (mother), Route 3, Ennis, 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:

Captain ANDREW G. GEORGE, (0452992), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 16 April 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara G. George, (wife), Richland, Iowa.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) EDWIN HEIT, (39617384), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 May 1945 to 29 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Fred Heit, (mother), Box # 375, Forsyth, Montana.

Staff Sergeant OWEN HUISEH, (39022295), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 12 December 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ammer Murry, (mother), 1119 Abbott Street, San Gabriel, California.

Technician Fifth Grade ARTHUR C. KUSZ, (36297323), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands, from 5 December 1944 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Stella Kusz, (mother), 2221 South 15th Place, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant MILBURN H. STRASBURG, (20657438), Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 23 February 1944 to 24 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Ben Strasburg, (father), 210 College Street, Lake Mills, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade MARSHALL F. STROM, (20645378), 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. Alex Strom, (father), 408 Oak Street, Sparta,

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Wisconsin.

Captain THEODORE E. UHLER, (02034708), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 26 February 1945 to 13 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Frank A. Uhler, (father), 2130 Quiney, Bakersfield, California.

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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 5, 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 JOHN E. BENNETT, (01302581), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 27 January 1945 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Martha C. Bennett, (mother), 286 Seventh Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Technician Third Grade RAYMOND A. COLLETTE, (31059770), 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 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dora Colletto, (mother), 4 Temple Street, Spencer, Massachusetts.

First Sergeant HERBERT F. CONROY, (32043774), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 25 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anne Conroy, (wife), 500 Southern Boulevard, New York City, New York.

Technician Third Grade CECIL A. GUTHRIE, (36156164), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 16 November 1944 to 23 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence G. Guthrie, (mother), Route 1, Colon, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant FRED J. KNAGGS, (38073580), 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. Mary F. Knaggs, (mother), Box 93, Cotulla, Texas.

Private First Class JOHN P. LASKA, (37111455), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the

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Philippine Islands from 23 April 1944 to 21 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Laska, (mother), 1223 South 28th Street, Fort Dodge, Iowa.

Technical Sergeant ANTHONY C. MALECKI, (52362553), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 24 December 1944 to 2 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mabel L. Malecki, (wife), 514 Cleveland Avenue, Riverside, New Jersey.

Technical Sergeant (then Technician Third Grade), JAMES S. PISHUE, (39179198), 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 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sam Pishue, (mother), 1626 North 47th Street, Seattle, Washington.

Technician Fifth Grade LEROY K. STONE, (57659448), Medical Department, 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. Laura Stone, (mother), 705 Washington Street, Audubon, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM A. STONE, (34128475), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 March 1945 to 25 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary L. Stone, (wife), Route #2, Abbeville, South Carolina.

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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 HOWARD W. BURNHAM, (32200366), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands, from 31 October 1942 to 8 May 1945. Home address: Mrs Marjorie Burnham, (wife), 980 Atlantic Avenue, Rochester, New York.

Technician Fifth Grade CLYDE E. EDMONDS, (36458920), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 7 April 1945 to 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Edmonds, (wife), 219 Burr Oak Street, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Private First Class HENRY G. GONZALEZ, (38580207) Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mercedes Nunex De Sanchez, (step-mother), Institute Tecnico Industrial, Agua Caliente, Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico.

Technical Sergeant SLOBDAN L. GRGURINA, (33279743), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and Philippine Islands, from 19 January 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Vincent Grgurina, (father), RD #2 Box 164, Irwin, Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant EDWARD J. KULLAS, (01686343), Medical Administrative 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. Amelia M. Kullas, (mother), 43 Park Street, Taunton, Massachusetts.

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Technical Sergeant HARRY W. ROSE, (36207102), *Field Artillery*

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~~Captain~~, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 31 January 1945 to 3 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gertie Rose, (mother), 324 South Union Avenue, Menston, Wisconsin.

Technician Third Grade CYRIL G. VAN HORN, (36162307), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands, from 27 November 1942 to 8 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude Van Horn, (mother), 199 Mechanic Street, Pontiac, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade EDWARD A. WANAT, (33135108), Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 28 March 1945 to 26 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sophie Wanat, (mother), 401 Zeigler Street, Dupont, 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 enlisted men:

Sergeant CHESTER P. BOLEWSKI, (36208817), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Bolewski, (mother), 1717 W. Beecher Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) RALPH B. BISHOP, (39406594), Ordnance Department, 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 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marguerite Bishop, (mother), Box 398, Ashland, Oregon.

Sergeant JOSEPH J. DANIELS, (20652858), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mount Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 20 April 1945 to 22 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Daniels, (mother), 304 Budd Street, Hartford, Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant JAMES L. DOOLEY, (35488222), Medical Department, 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: Mr. Roy S. Dooley, (father), 112 E. Tenny Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky.

Technician Fourth Grade FRANK I. GORAY, (20645077), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte and Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 27 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Augusta Goray, (mother), RFD No. 1, Dodge, Wisconsin.

Technician Third Grade RUSSELL F. MALM, (37331279), Medical Department, 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. Amy V. Malm, (mother), Route 1, Box 351, Boulder, Colorado.

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Technician Fourth Grade JOHN J. STEMLER, (36208470), Ordnance Department, 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 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jessie Stemler, (mother), 508 W. Ceresco Street, Berlin, Wisconsin.

Private First Class HERBERT J. STIEHL, (20645084), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte and Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 27 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Charlotte Stiehl, (mother), Whitehall, 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 warrant officer and enlisted men:

Technician Fourth Grade CLARE BOUGHNER, (36106984), 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 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Boughner, (mother), Yale, Michigan.

Warrant Officer (Junior Grade) MARVIN E. DONKER, (W2127752), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte and Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Peter Donker, (father), 1650 Martindale Avenue, Sw, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

First Sergeant LEROY W. DAVIDSON, (6273230), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 15 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Evelyn E. Davidson, (wife), 410 N. Oklahoma Street, Shawnee, Oklahoma.

Private First Class GUS W. ERDAKOS, (36659329), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 20 March 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Caroline Erdakos, (mother), 717 West 636 Place, Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), DAVID W. GREENBERG, (37253690), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 20 March 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Harry Greenberg, (father), 2944 Brooklyn Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant ALBERT B. GREER, JR., (6932930), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Geraldine L. Greer, (wife), 2414 Summit Street, Little Rock, Arkansas.

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Technician Fifth Grade KENNETH B. HAINES, (39679975), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 18 November 1944 to 23 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Calvin O. Haines, (father), Route 1, Colville, Washington.

Staff Sergeant HOWARD K. HALL, (39235827), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Tebbo, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 20 March 1945 to 31 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Art Hall, (father), 480 South "E" Street, San Bernardino, California.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) EDWARD F. KUFFEL, (36034467), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 4 April 1945 to 9 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Czerwinski, (mother), 1814 W. 17th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant JOHNIE A. MEARS, (37252284), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 April 1945 to 9 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marian H. Mears, (mother), Box 114, Pleasant Lake, North Dakota.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class) LEON J. ROSE, (34119030), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 20 March 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Minnie J. Rose, (mother), Broadway Street, Durham, North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant MERVIN J. SCHMIDT, (37139111), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte and Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 17 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cora Schmidt, (mother), Springfield, Nebraska.

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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 Number 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, D, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private FRANK F. ORTEGA, (39860020), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 May 1945. When a combat patrol was forced to withdraw from numerically superior enemy forces, Private Ortega, a mortar gunner, exposed himself in order to give close support to our withdrawing troops. When his accurate fire caused the enemy to direct intense machine gun fire on his position, he was mortally wounded. His courageous act reflects the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Frances F. Ortega, (mother), 1825 E. Sherman, Phoenix, Arizona.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

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

Staff Sergeant ARNOLD E. JENSEN, (36205143), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Makamul, New Guinea, on the night of 4 June 1944. During an attack by a numerically superior enemy force, which had completely encompassed the perimeter, many casualties were being inflicted among our troops and all communications were destroyed. Realizing that word for help would have to be gotten to the rear, Sergeant Jensen assumed the risk of being observed and forced upon to make his way through the enemy lines and along a hostile beach to a rear base. There he obtained a vehicle and alternately transported badly needed supplies to the front and evacuated the wounded to the rear. These heroic actions, achieved only at the extreme risk of his personal safety, undoubtedly was responsible for the saving of the lives of many of his comrades. Home address: Mrs. Jane C. Jensen, (wife), 1822 North Main Street, Racine, Wisconsin.

Private First Class FRANCIS B. KLEFFNER, (39926100), Infantry,

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United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Villa Verde, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 April 1945. When the machine gun position which he was occupying, was fired upon by an enemy patrol advancing from a nearby ridge, Private Kleffner, although being exposed, remained at his weapon and continued to direct fire on the advancing enemy until ten had been killed and the others were forced to withdraw. The courage and fearlessness displayed by Private Kleffner in the face of enemy fire made possible the safe withdrawal of his company and reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. F. G. Kleffner, (father), 88 Willowood Drive, Pocatello, Idaho.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) STEPHEN R. KOSUTH, (36110219), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Toboc, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 March 1945. While the rifle company, in which he was a mortar gunner, was being forced to withdraw under heavy attack by a numerically superior force, Sergeant Kosuth, with utter disregard for his personal safety, braved continuous enemy fire to carry three of his wounded comrades from danger. After accomplishing this, he personally effected the withdrawal of his mortar and its remaining ammunition. This heroic action and Sergeant Kosuth's coolness under fire reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Casper Kosuth, (father), 18 S. Rancho Road, Ironwood, Michigan.

Technical Sergeant FRED W. STOWELL, (36155674), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Sapinit, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 March 1945. A motorized patrol led by Sergeant Stowell was ambushed by a party of Japanese armed with machine guns and rifles. Due to the enemy's superior fire power he realized the necessity of reinforcements. Disregarding his wound, he withdrew his patrol to a position where it could withstand the enemy until help could be obtained. He then assumed the risk of being observed and fired upon to mark his way through the enemy lines to where friendly troops could be contacted. He led reinforcements back to the scene of the ambush. The enemy was engaged and the ambush eliminated. The courage and personal bravery displayed by Sergeant Stowell enabled our troops to safely complete their mission. Home address: Mr. Prentice Stowell, (father), Route 1, Otsego, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant EVERETT W. WELLS, (36380919), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 May 1945. When he learned that a wounded soldier was lying in a position exposed to heavy enemy rifle fire, Sergeant Wells, with complete disregard to the danger involved, moved forward from his position of safety in an effort to reach him. He successfully reached his wounded comrade and while attempting to get him to

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a place of safety was wounded twice by enemy fire. Despite his wounds he continued to drag and carry the wounded comrade to cover where vitally needed medical attention was obtained. Sergeant Wells heroically risked his life in order to save the life of a wounded fellow soldier. Home address: Mrs. Dona Wells, (mother), Bonnie, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM R. YOUNG, (20635212), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Tebbo, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on the night of 14 March 1945. During a determined and fanatical enemy attack against his company's perimeter, Sergeant Young, although wounded, remained with his rifle squad to direct the defense of his sector. When his squad had exhausted its hand grenades, he exposed himself to heavy enemy fire to obtain a new supply. This soldier's heroic actions and devotion to duty, despite his wounds, reflects the greatest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Home address: Edward Young, (father), 732 Leonard Avenue, Muskegon, Michigan.

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I. RESCISSION OF AWARDS:

So much of General Orders No. 203, Headquarters 32d Infantry Division, dated 4 July 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Sergeant William Becker, (36649096), Quartermaster Corps, is rescinded.

So much of Section II, General Orders No. 211, Headquarters 32d Infantry Division, dated 11 July 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star medal to Technical Sergeant John W. Sollars, (16099602), Infantry, is rescinded.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

By direction of the President in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Sergeant William Becker, (36649096), by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 149 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:

Sergeant WILLIAM BECKER, (36649096), Quartermaster Corps, 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 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Adelheid Becker, (mother), 622 South 11th Avenue, Maywood, Illinois.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal, awarded Technical Sergeant John W. Sollars, (16099602), by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 204, dated 4 July 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, (then Staff Sergeant), JOHN W.



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SOLLARS, (16099602), Infantry, 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. After heavy artillery preparation, and under cover of darkness, the enemy launched an assault against the perimeter of an infantry company. Sergeant Sollars, aware that the left flank of the perimeter was defended by men without previous combat experience, rushed to this point and with an automatic rifle laid down such an intense stream of fire that the initial attack was repulsed. Then, although hostile machine gun and small arms fire was raking the area, he moved among the men, encouraging them by his example of coolness and directing the establishment of a defensive line. As a result of the measures taken by Sergeant Sollars, all subsequent attacks by the enemy on this sector were repelled. Home address: Mr. John R. Sollars, (father), Route 1, Westville, Illinois.

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:

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\* Sergeant (then Private First Class) JOHN C. BRANNAN, (38290851), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 May 1945. While maintaining a trail block along an enemy supply route, a rifle company was heavily attacked from three directions by a numerically superior enemy force which directed the greater portion of its fire power at the machine gun position occupied by Sergeant Brannan. Though wounded in the right hand, Sergeant Brannan remained at his weapon and delivered such a heavy volume of fire upon the attacking forces that his company was able to successfully divert the attack. By his courageous actions in the face of intense enemy fire and by his great risk of personal safety, he personally accounted for thirteen of the enemy dead. Home address: Mrs. Mary H. Pipkin, (mother), Route 1, Jacksonville, Arkansas.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT W. HENDRICKSON, (37299874), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon-Ormoc Road, Leyte Philippine Islands on 9 December 1944. When his company was forced to withdraw due to the intensity of enemy fire, one wounded soldier had to be left behind. Despite the fact that the hostile fire continued, and enemy troops were in the immediate area, Sergeant Hendrickson, under cover of darkness, left the safety of his company's perimeter to return to the aid of the wounded man whom he succeeded in bringing to safety. His heroic action

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was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Services. Home address: Mrs. Mary Hendrickson, (mother), Box 113, Hazelton, North Dakota.

Private First Class WILFORD E. HOBSON, (33590171), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Ambayabang River Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 March 1945. While remaining in a truck to guard two men who were wounded when their motorized patrol had been ambushed by a Japanese force, Private Hobson killed an enemy officer who was attempting to reach the wounded men and delivered fire upon the remaining enemy until the attack was broken. Private Hobson's courageous action was instrumental in repelling the enemy patrol and in making evacuation of the wounded possible. Home address: Mrs. Rina D. Hobson, (mother), 1541 Colbrook Street, Detroit, Michigan.

First Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant) R. E. JIMMERSON, (6959215), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 22 November 1944. During a small arms engagement with a superior enemy force, in which he killed two Japanese soldiers, Sergeant Jimmerson, although wounded in the leg, insisted upon remaining to aid his men with words of advice and encouragement. He directed that his wounded comrades be given medical treatment and evacuated to places of safety before he would accept aid for himself. Sergeant Jimmerson's courageous action and leadership were in a vast measure responsible for materially weakening a hostile enemy and eliminating a serious threat to our troops. The display of bravery and disregard for personal welfare inspired all who witnessed his deeds. Home address: Mr. Ben F. Jimmerson, (brother), Route 4, Box 42A, Henderson, Texas.

Private First Class MELVIN E. LAMOREAUX, (36194311), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imujan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 May 1945. When an M-7 self propelled howitzer in an exposed position was subjected to fire from an enemy direct fire field piece, Private Lamoreaux, disregarding the intense enemy fire, rushed to the gun carriage and maneuvered it alone to a place of safety. Private Lamoreaux's decisive and courageous act saved an expensive weapon from certain destruction and reflects the highest credit upon himself. Home address: Mrs. Label Lamoreaux, (mother), 928 W. Easterday Avenue, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.

Private First Class GEORGE M. SEWARD, (38110286), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imujan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 May 1945. Private Seward was lead scout of a force attacking a strongly fortified enemy position, when it became pinned down by heavy machine gun and rifle fire. Disregarding

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his personal safety he advanced alone to a position where he could throw grenades into the enemy installations. In this action he was seriously wounded. Private Seward's example of courage and devotion to duty inspired his unit to continue the attack until the enemy was destroyed. Home address: Mr. George Seward, (father) Star Route, Swan, Missouri.

Private First Class HOWARD G. SHIPP, (38422695), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Limon-Crmoc Road, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 20 December 1944. Private Shipp, a wireman, was on a repair mission when he encountered an enemy patrol along a jungle trail. Private Shipp stood his ground and aggressively returned the fire of the enemy with his carbine and hand grenades. Due to his courageous action and determination in the face of great opposition, he killed three enemy soldiers and dispersed the rest. Home address: Mrs. Dora Shipp, (mother), General Delivery, Waller, Texas.

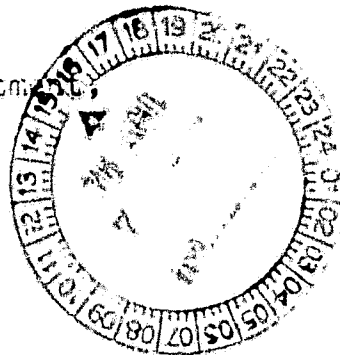
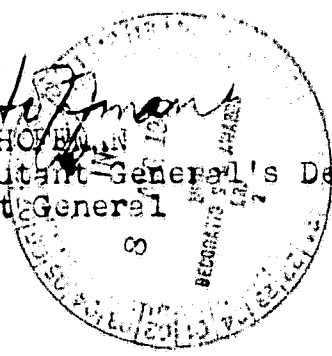
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AWARD OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE:

Under the provisions of Section I, Circular No. 345, WD, dated 23 August 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to Company D, 107th Medical Battalion, for outstanding devotion to duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 23 April 1944 to 1 May 1945. The citation is as follows:

As the 32d Infantry Division fought its bitter fight along the Villa Verde Trail, Company D, 107th Medical Battalion operated a two hundred bed hospital in Tayug, Luzon, Philippine Islands, rendering medical service to the entire division with utmost proficiency. In addition to organic units, medical service was also rendered to the 130th Infantry Regiment of the 33rd Division and Guerrilla Forces fighting nearby. During the entire period of combat, more than eight thousand patients were treated by Company D involving endless hours of surgery, dental care, and evacuation. Approximately twelve hundred sixty nine operations were performed. These included battle casualties, accidents, emergencies, and elective surgery. Filipino civilians, guerillas, and members of the United States Army were all patients in the group treated. Dental work for the period shows sixteen hundred eighty seven admissions or twenty four hundred seventy six sittings. On 24th April, an enemy plane dropped two bombs in the vicinity of the Clearing Company, then circled, and strafed the entire area causing numerous casualties. Surgery worked until 0430 the following morning caring for the wounded. The unselfish endeavors and unstinting devotion to duty, by the officers and men of Company D reflects the highest credit on them and on the United States Army.

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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. 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:

Staff Sergeant KENNETH R. CARTWRIGHT, (20645684), 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. George Cartwright, (father), 58 Plymouth Avenue, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade GEORGE GERWITZ, (32191091), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands, from 26 November 1942 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Harry Gerwitz, (brother), 921 Lenox Road, Brooklyn, New York.

Sergeant ABRAHAM P. HERNANDEZ, (39249749), Signal Corps, 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 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maria P. Hernandez, (mother), 226 N. Indiana Street, Los Angeles, California.

Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade) PULL F. JOHNSON, (36156618) 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 10 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Leo T. Johnson, (father), 722 Loomis Street, Jackson, Michigan.

Private First Class LESLIE MC PHAIL, (37736025), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in Asingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret A. McPhail, (wife), 1132 University Ave., Wichita, Kansas.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN A. MIRANDO, (32191211), Signal Corps, 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 4 May 1945. Home

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address: Mr. Antonio Miranda, (father), 3132 Webster Avenue, Bronx, New York.

First Lieutenant DONALD G. MOSS, (01300364), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands, from 18 June 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lorna Jean Moss, (wife), 1015 East Liberty Avenue, Spokane, Washington.

Private First Class RAYMOND L. RICH, (35683114), 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. Elizabeth Rich, (mother), Route 1, Oregonia, Ohio.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade WILLIAM S. BAROFF, (W2127746), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 1 December 1942 to 8 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sophie Sabaroff, (mother), 5834 Sansom Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant PRESTON L. TOWNSEND, (01686260), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 23 September 1942 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence Townsend, (mother), Clayton, Michigan.

Technical Sergeant VERNON K. VAWTER, (39451402), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands, from 1 August 1944 to 5 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Edgar F. Vawter, (father), E. 3807 Second Avenue, Spokane, Washington.

First Lieutenant MARLYN W. WICKS, (01646998), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 8 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Fay Wicks, (wife), 2216 Mistletoe Boulevard, Fort Worth, 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 Second Lieutenant Leonard P. Garcia by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published in Section IV, General Orders No. 179, dated 16 June 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:

Second Lieutenant LEONARD P. GARCIA, JR., (02024310), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 May 1945. During a small arms engagement with an enemy force a soldier was seriously wounded and pinned down by the enemy fire. Lieutenant Garcia, with disregard for his own personal safety, deliberately exposed himself to draw the enemy fire until his wounded comrade could be brought to a place of safety. This courageous act was undoubtedly responsible for the saving of the wounded soldier's life. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Garcia, (mother), Bunkie, Louisiana.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant Erwin W. Heinrich by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 52, dated 25 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:

Staff Sergeant ERWIN W. HEINRICH, (32502091), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Tebo, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 March 1945. When his company was pinned down by enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Heinrich voluntarily moved to within a few feet of the enemy occupied cave and through use of hand grenades sealed the entrance. He was then attacked by four

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Japanese soldiers near the cave entrance, all of whom he killed with rifle fire. This heroic deed, performed at great risk to his personal safety, eliminated one machine gun, and enabled his company to safely continue the advance. Home address: Mr. William P. Heinrich, (father), 144-03 Barkley Avenue, Flushing New York.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to First Lieutenant Bill Mullen by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published in Section II, General Orders No. 62, dated 3 April 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant BILL MULLEN, (O438792), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 29 January 1945 to 8 May 1945. Home address: Mr. W. B. Mullen, (father), 4825 California Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

IV. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded First Sergeant George J. Nowak by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published in Section II, General Orders No. 103, dated 5 May 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

First Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) GEORGE J. NOWAK, (32371726), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 24 November 1944 to 8 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Julia Lapenis, (sister), 184 3d Street, Albany, New York.

V. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded Private First Class Louis L. Zanini by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published in Section III, General Orders No. 68, 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:

Private First Class LOUIS L. ZANINI, (32322806), Infantry,



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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 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Esternia Zanini, (mother), Route 2, Box 17, Gustin, California.

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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 First Lieutenant James H. Fox, Jr. by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 2, Section II, General Orders No. 112, dated 16 May 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 JAMES H. FOX, JR., (01303871), 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 April 1945. During the course of an intense artillery barrage Lieutenant Fox saw an enlisted man thrown over the edge of a ravine by the blast of an exploding shell. He and another officer immediately dashed down the slope of the ravine to the side of the wounded soldier. In spite of the continuing barrage they applied a tourniquet that stopped the man's bleeding and then carried the casualty to a first aid station. The heroic action of Lieutenant Fox undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Hester Fox, (mother), 205 East Peace Street, Canton, Mississippi

II. AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain Marvin Hurewitz by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, as published on page 3, Section IV, General Orders No. 89, dated 19 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 MARVIN HUREWITZ, (0502367), Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 30 April 1945. During the course of an intense artillery barrage Captain Hurewitz saw an enlisted man

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thrown over the edge of a ravine by the blast of an exploding shell. He and another officer immediately dashed down the slope of the ravine to the side of the wounded soldier. In spite of the continuing barrage they applied a tourniquet that stopped the man's bleeding and then carried the casualty to a first aid station. The heroic action of Captain Hurewitz undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Jeanette Hurewitz, (wife), 150 East 49th Street, New York, New York.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, D, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine islands, on 14 April 1945. These three men left the safety of their foxholes during an intense enemy artillery bombardment to go to the assistance of a seriously wounded officer. Although a heavy concentration of shells was being placed on the area and the danger was great, they carried the officer out of the hazardous zone and administered immediate first aid. The courage and devotion displayed by these three men reflects great credit on them and on the military service.

Corporal WALTER M. BROMAGHIM, (20653523), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Merrell Bromaghim, (father), 2649 North 49th Street, Milwaukee Wisconsin.

Private First Class WILLIAM MEYERS, (33388640), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Creuse, (sister), Route #1, Stevens, Pennsylvania.

Private MONTE E. TOLBERT, (39470677), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Ernest E. Tolbert, (father), Route 3, South Wenatchee, Washington.

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, D, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 32d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

First Lieutenant GILL FOWLER, (0451596), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Sapinit, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 February 1945. When the advance of a forward observation party was halted by the automatic weapons and small arms fire of a large Japanese force, Lieutenant Fowler, the leader

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of the party, carried a telephone line across terrain swept by the hostile fire to the position of the company commander. While making observations from this point, he was wounded by an enemy sniper. Although suffering intense pain from his wound, he refused evacuation until satisfied that the relieving officer was thoroughly oriented as to the disposition of the enemy forces. Lieutenant Fowler's courageous behavior under fire was an inspiration to his men. Home address: Mrs. Colleen Fowler, (wife), Box 1052, Havre, Montana.

Staff Sergeant D. VID S. MACKAY, (32271651), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 May 1945. Sergeant Mackay was a member of a patrol ambushed by a strong enemy force. The patrol attempted a withdrawal, but found the trail to be under heavy hostile machine gun fire. One of the men received a serious wound, and fell on terrain exposed to the sweep of the enemy's weapons. Sergeant Mackay, realizing that if the casualty was not withdrawn from the line of the enemy's fire he would be struck again, crawled down the open trail to the casualty's position. Although intense automatic weapons fire was directed at him, he succeeded in dragging the wounded soldier to a position of safety. Sergeant Mackay fearlessly risked his life to rescue his injured comrade. Home address: Mrs. Edna Mackay, (mother), 706 Union Street, Schenectady, New York.

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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, WE, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 326 Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade HENRY J. BOS, (20655619), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 March 1945 to 3 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Bos, (mother), 330 Howard Avenue, West De Pere, Wisconsin.

Second Lieutenant JAMES M. BURKE, (01182337), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jane M. Burke, (wife), 610 North 16th Street, Waco, Texas.

Staff Sergeant MYRON F. CAMPER, (20653203), 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 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Myron T. Camper, (mother), 800 Pine Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade EUGENE S. COOPER, (39161530), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 March 1945 to 21 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Tillie Cooper, (mother), 859 North Genesee, Los Angeles, California.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) WILLIAM M. GAGE, (0888196), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea, the Netherlands East Indies, and the Philippine Islands, from 4 May 1944 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Harry B. Gage, (father), 823 Porlier Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Captain RAYMOND K. HIRSCH, (0347181), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 May 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Raymond K. Hirsch, (wife), 1437 Belmont Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Corporal (then Private First Class) MARTIN J. KAMINSKI,

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(36208000), 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 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Lapinski, (sister), 404 Fifth Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade FRED W. KRUEGER, (36208020), 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 10 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Wesley Krueger, (father), 144 Berger Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Private First Class ANDREW J. KUC, (33418173), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 14 April 1945 to 20 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Kuc, (mother), Route 2, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN B. MOLIK, (20655609), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 March 1945 to 3 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sophia Molik, (mother), 1400 East Garland Avenue, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Corporal JAMES P. O'CONNOR, (36113047), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 24 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary F. O'Connor, (mother), Linden City, Michigan.

Corporal (then Private First Class) ERWIN G. STONE, (42132667), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 13 May 1945 to 17 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pearl V. Stone, (mother), R.F.D. #5, Box #4, Potsdam, New York.

Private First Class, SIDNEY A. B. WHITE, (34208904), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 26 April 1945 to 11 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mae Malone, (mother), Route #5, Box 471-B, Orlando, Florida.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

Corporal PAUL R. LURBIDGE, (39852921), 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 27 March 1945. When word was received that litter squads were urgently needed at a forward area, Corporal Lurbidge organized a squad at the battalion aid station and led them over terrain heavily subjected to enemy artillery, mortar, and automatic weapons fire to the scene of the action. In spite of the great danger from the intense Japanese fire, first aid was administered to the wounded and the casualties were placed on litters and evacuated to the aid station. As a result of Corporal Lurbidge's capable efforts our wounded received prompt medical attention that undoubtedly saved the lives of the more critical cases. Home address: Mrs. Racola Lurbidge, (wife), 2591 South 5th East, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Private First Class RAYMOND N. DAVIS, (38341315), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Bayabang, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 March 1945. A truck in which Private Davis was riding, was ambushed by a group of enemy soldiers who tossed grenades at the vehicle, wounding several of the men. Jumping from the truck he moved to the top of an embankment and opened fire on the enemy. Although wounded during the action, he maintained a steady volume of fire that killed at least one of the enemy and drove off the remainder. This highly heroic action of Private Davis saved the members of his party from suffering further loss. Home address: Mrs. Lola May Davis, (mother), Route 1, Rearing Springs, Texas.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) NED E. HARRINGTON, (34036646), Infantry, 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. The enemy attacked under cover of darkness and succeeded in penetrating the perimeter of an infantry company. Sergeant Harrington distinguished himself during the action by the aggressive manner in which he directed fire against the hostile force. When the members of his squad exhausted their supply of grenades, he made several trips under

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heavy fire to procure and return with grenades and other ammunition. Subsequently, he ran further risk by assisting in the evacuation of the wounded from the zone of danger. Sergeant Harrington's courageous behavior in this crisis served as an inspiration to his companions. Home address: Mrs. Bessie Teagne Wilcox, (mother), Route 1, Box 385, Kannapolis, North Carolina.

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES J. MADIGAN, (36823736), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 April 1945. Technician Madigan was radio operator at a forward observation post under attack by a numerically superior enemy force. When the battalion commander was wounded by grenade fragments, he helped administer first aid to the disabled officer and then remained at his side protecting him from the enemy assault. In addition to this, he maintained radio communication with the battalion command post. Technician Madigan displayed great courage and devotion in this incident. Home address: Mrs. Barbara Madigan, (mother), 122 East Oneta Street, Munising, Michigan.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) VEARL R. MOORE, (39205990), 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. When the advance of their company was halted by heavy automatic weapons fire from an enemy held cave, Sergeant Moore and another enlisted man fastened a demolition charge to a pole and advanced toward the hostile position. The Japanese made strenuous efforts to halt their progress with machine gun and grenade fire; but the two men persisted until they were able to place the explosive charge in the mouth of the cave. The blast killed six of the enemy and utterly destroyed the hostile stronghold. The heroic achievement of Sergeant Moore enabled his company to continue with its mission. Home address: Mrs. Agnes M. Moore, (mother), Route 2, Box 124, Lewiston, Idaho.

Private RUSSELL A. SAILOR, (37252343), 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. When the advance of their company was halted by heavy automatic weapons fire from an enemy held cave, Private Sailor and another enlisted man fastened a demolition charge to a pole and advanced toward the hostile position. The Japanese made strenuous efforts to halt their progress with machine gun and grenade fire; but the two men persisted until they were able to place the explosive charge in the mouth of the cave. The blast killed six of the enemy and utterly destroyed the hostile stronghold. The heroic achievement of Private Sailor enabled his company



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to continue with its mission. Home address: Mrs. Loretta M. Sailor, (wife), Box 492, Gando, North Dakota.

Private First Class TONY S. SCUITO, (39332842), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mt. Imugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 April 1945. Private Scuito was a member of a forward observation party under attack by a numerically superior enemy force. When the battalion commander was wounded by grenade fragments, he helped administer first aid to the disabled officer and then remained at his side protecting him from the enemy assault. While discharging this duty he was himself wounded by grenade fragments. Private Scuito displayed great courage and devotion in this incident. Home address: Mrs. Domenic Scuito, (mother), Box 225, Route 2, Oswego, Oregon.

Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade) GUSTAVE J. SPATAFORA, (36111191), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 8 September 1944 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lona Spatafora, (mother), 13367 Elmdale Street, Detroit, Michigan.

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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:

Sergeant KENNETH R. ALLEN, (39205828), 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: Mr. Glenn E. Allen, (father), Box 63, Juneau, Alaska.

Private First Class DAVID E. BAKER, (38582161), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 10 February 1945 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ida I. Baker, (mother), General Delivery, Silver City, New York.

Sergeant RAYMOND R. BEHLING, (36275896), 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 2 January 1943 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hazel Behling, (mother), Vesper, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM A. BRASHEAR, (38344115), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands, from 19 November 1944 to 6 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eunice M. Brashear, (mother), Route 3, Seminole, Texas.

Staff Sergeant JAMES V. COURTNEY, (33204539), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 19 November 1944 to 27 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Henry V. Courtney, (father), 523 Memorial Avenue, Cumberland, Maryland.

Private First Class SAM J. GRANDE, (35306620), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 5 March 1945 to 3 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Theresa Grande, (mother), 2080 Murray Hill, Cleveland, Ohio.

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Technician Fifth Grade PETER J. HEGYI, (36113067), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 14 November 1944 to 16 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Hegyi, (mother), 8824 Pitt Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant LEO N. HOCYMAN, (36285838), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 15 November 1944 to 1 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lorraine J. Hocyman, (wife), Route 1, Box 31, Kaukauna, Wisconsin.

Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade) JOHN J. HURLEY, (16070635), Finance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 4 May 1944 to 17 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eleanor Hurley, (wife), 1448 West 83rd Street, Chicago, Illinois.

First Lieutenant CHARLES J. MC DONALD, (01302845), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 19 November 1944 to 25 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie G. McDonald, (wife), 1990 Gleason Avenue, Bronx, New York.

Corporal FRANCIS V. O'NEILL, (33480311), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 April 1945 to 5 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen O'Neill, (mother), 433 West Wharton Road, Glenside, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade GEORGE S. SUDA, (39166486), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 12 November 1944 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. P. C. Horiuchi, (mother), Post Office Box 1265, Ogden, Utah.

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

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

First Sergeant ANDREW C. DIGMAN, (20650618), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Buna, New Guinea, on 19 November 1942. Sergeant Digman crossed a bridge being subjected to hostile machine gun fire, and moving to an advanced position, observed the nature and location of the enemy installations. He then returned, running the same heavy gauntlet of fire, to the command post and transmitted the information he had obtained. Later in the day he again ran great risk by acting as an observer for an artillery battery, and was subjected to intense sniper fire during the performance of this mission. Sergeant Digman displayed exceptional courage in both of these incidents. Home address: Mrs. Ida L. Digman, (mother), Route No. 3, Monroe, Wisconsin.

Captain MYRON H. SINGER, (01303787), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 May 1945. Captain Singer led his company in an attack on a hill defended with fanatical tenacity by a strong enemy force. During the action an avenue of approach to the objective was discovered and working with the utmost speed he mustered those men immediately available and made for the strategic point. At this time the enemy, aware of the gap in his line, attempted to occupy this terrain, but Captain Singer, fearlessly exposing himself to the hostile fire, organized a defense that held off the numerically superior Japanese until reinforcements could arrive. Captain Singer's gallant leadership was largely responsible for the successful completion of the company's mission. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Singer, (mother), 3111 Glenwood Road, Brooklyn, New York.

Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) ROBERT F. VANCE, (0315673), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 31 March 1945 to 6 April 1945. The battalion of which Colonel Vance was commander was restricted to a small area by the intense volume of automatic weapon fire laid down by the enemy. Numerous attempts to break

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out of the net were made unsuccessfully over a period of three days. Colonel Vance then conceived and led in the execution of a plan to undermine the enemy positions by tunneling from the battalion perimeter. This highly hazardous tactic was employed with complete success, the battalion being released from its confined location and enabled to press an attack against additional enemy installations. Colonel Vance displayed exceptional leadership and personal courage in this action. Home address: Mrs. Frances Orr Vance, (wife), 78 Peachtree Circle, Atlanta, Georgia.

II. AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL:

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

*Rescinded by 20 312 Sept 19, 1945*  
Staff Sergeant RAY S. DONOVAN, (17042959), Air Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in ~~aircraft~~ aircraft flights on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 April 1945 to 5 June 1945. Sergeant Donovan made a large number of reconnaissance flights in an unarmored liaison plane, often in inclement weather, over territory where enemy fire was encountered. Home address: Mrs. Merta M. Donovan, (wife), 414 North 16th Street, Estherville, Iowa.

First Lieutenant HOWARD B. HILL, (01184227), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 30 January 1945 to 4 June 1945. Lieutenant Hill made a large number of reconnaissance flights in an unarmored liaison plane, often in inclement weather, over territory where enemy fire was encountered. Home address: Mrs. Margaret G. Hill, (mother), 1327 Piedmont Road, Charleston, West Virginia.

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

Private First Class ROBERT L. BROWN, (6287884), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Villa Verde Trail, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 May 1945. The leading scout of a combat patrol was wounded by hostile fire from an enemy-held ridge, and was unable to withdraw from the line of fire under his own power. Private Brown, seeing this, braved the heavy machine gun and sniper fire to dash forward in an heroic attempt to remove the casualty to a position of safety. Before this could be accomplished the wounded man was struck and killed by an enemy bullet. Private Brown willingly risked his life to aid an injured comrade. Home address: Mrs. Ann Lee Brown, (mother), 721 Malvern Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Private First Class EDGAR C. CHIASSON, (38495335), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Fe, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 April 1945. Batteries were urgently needed to maintain radio communication between a forward observation party and its base, and Private Chiasson and another enlisted man proceeded along a trail swept by heavy Japanese machine gun fire to a point where batteries could be obtained. They then returned over the same hazardous trail; and radio communications were established that enabled our artillery to knock out several important enemy installations. Private Chiasson made possible the successful completion of the observation party's mission. Home address: Mrs. Amy Chiasson, (mother), Post Office Box 364, Lockport, Louisiana.

Sergeant CLIFFORD L. HATLEY, (6922084), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Santa Fe, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 April 1945. Batteries were urgently needed to maintain radio communication between a forward observation party and its base, and Sergeant Hatley and another enlisted man proceeded along a trail swept by heavy Japanese machine gun fire to a point where batteries could be obtained. They then returned over the same hazardous trail, and radio communications were established that enabled our artillery to knock out several important enemy installations. Sergeant Hatley made possible the successful completion of the observation party's mission. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Hatley, (wife), 487 South

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