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Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Missing in Action II
Award of the Bronze Star Medal. III

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

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following officer:

JOHN M BALLARD 0411240, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 November 1944 near Etival, France. Lieutenant Ballard's platoon was moving into an attack when the enemy suddenly engaged the unit from the front and flanks. Lieutenant Ballard found himself in a position exposed to enemy sniper and machine gun fire, but he immediately began to move through the platoon area, checking each position and encouraging his men to lay down a base of fire to enable the platoon on the left to advance. As the intensity of the enemy fire increased, the hostile force succeeded in infiltrating to within grenade distance, but Lieutenant Ballard maintained his position. Although painfully wounded, he refused to be evacuated, skillfully directing his platoon's fire until the adjacent unit had reached its objective. Lieutenant Ballard subsequently led his platoon forward in a successful attack on the enemy positions, consolidated his gains, and repulsed a counterattack with severe losses to the enemy. Lieutenant Ballard's determined and courageous leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Indianapolis, Indiana. Next of kin: Mrs. Ruby A. Ballard (Mother), 3360 North Meridian, Apartment G-2, Indianapolis, Indiana.

II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men, missing in action:

EMILIEN A LEVESQUE 31344055, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944 near Loire, France. During a heavy enemy counterattack, Sergeant Levesque crawled forward through concentrations of enemy machine gun and mortar fire to set up his machine gun and return the fire on enemy personnel and vehicles. His accurate fire and courageous action aided materially in the successful defense of the sector. Entered the military service from Hartford, Connecticut. Next of kin: Mrs. Anna Levesque (Mother), Monroe Street, Keegan, Maine.

EDWARD D WOODMANCY 33704502, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Private), Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 October 1944 near St. Remy, France. Forced to man an outpost alone when the other soldier assigned returned to the company command post for more ammunition, Sergeant Woodmancy maintained his position in the face of heavy enemy fire. He found a limited supply of ammunition nearby, and continued to direct effective rifle fire on the enemy until the enemy's infiltration under cover of darkness required him to withdraw. Entered the military service from Indian Head, Pennsylvania. Next of kin: Mrs. Ruth O Woodmancy (Mother), Indian Head, Pennsylvania.

III - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

ERO W AHOLA 31062734, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944 near Reichshoffen,

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France. An attack by Sergeant Ahola's company was held up by machine gun fire from buildings along the company's route of advance. Leading a squad around the flank of the hostile position, Sergeant Ahola engaged the enemy in a hand grenade battle, killing three, wounding two, and forcing the remainder to withdraw. Although wounded during this engagement, Sergeant Ahola continued to lead his men until all resistance had been eliminated. Sergeant Ahola's courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Warehouse Point, Connecticut.

ROBERT M BOLTON 39707660, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 September 1944 near Vaxe Court, France. During an attack, the company Private Bolton served as aid man sufforod a number of casualties as a result of enemy machine gun and artillery fire. Hearing a cry for help from one of the scouts, Private Bolton immediately moved through the enemy fire to help the wounded man. Although his movement drew heavy fire, Private Bolton calmly finished dressing the soldier's wounds and carried him to safety. Entered the military service from San Pedro, California.

RUBEN E ELLER 34254256, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 December 1944 near Mietesheim, France. When enemy fire severed wire communications between his company and the battalion command post, Private Eller twice moved along a road exposed to enemy observation and fire to repair the several breaks in the line. Despite enemy tank and artillery fire he succeeded in maintaining communications and his courageous actions contributed to his company's successful attack. Entered the military service from North Wilkesboro, North Carolina.

ALBERT L GORDON 31062710, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. When the company to which he was attached as mortar observer received heavy enemy fire in an attack, Sergeant Gordon moved forward alone to an exposed forward position on the flank where he directed effective mortar fire on the enemy defenses. His courageous efforts materially aided in eliminating the hostile resistance. Entered the military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

HAROLD R KIMMEL 33624485, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944 near Loire, France. Working under heavy enemy small arms fire, Private Kimmel, an assistant gunner, effectively directed the fire of his machine gun on an enemy motorized column, inflicting many casualties on the hostile force. Keeping the weapon well supplied, he crawled through the enemy fire for twenty-five yards to procure more ammunition, contributing materially to the destruction of several enemy troop carriers. Entered the military service from Sacramento, Pennsylvania.

ARTHUR E KITCHENS JR 14201928, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 December 1944 near Langensoultzbach, France. Learning that three men were lying in a minefield in need of medical attention, Technician Kitchens unhesitatingly led a litter squad into the mined area and removed the wounded men. His courageous leadership insured the prompt evacuation and treatment of the wounded men. Entered the military service from Macon, Georgia.

JAMES S MIEMIEC 32208035, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 November 1944 near St. Remy, France. Sergeant Miemiec was manning a forward observation post for a 60mm mortar section when the enemy launched a strong counterattack at positions occupied by his company. As the assault grew in intensity, enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire began to fall on Sergeant Miemiec's position and infiltrating enemy forces were soon directing fire at the exposed observation post. In spite of the heavy fire, Sergeant Miemiec remained at his post, adjusting accurate mortar fire on the attacking enemy. When communications were severed, he worked his way through the intense fire, found the break in the line, and quickly repaired it. Sergeant Miemiec then returned to his observation post to direct effective covering fire while the company moved to new positions. Sergeant Miemiec's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from West New York, New Jersey.

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ROSAIRE R FAUCHER 32370076, Corps of Engineers, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 December 1944 near Lembach, France. Private Faucher's platoon was clearing a roadblock when the enemy laid down a concentration of mortar and rifle fire on the area which wounded one man, endangered Private Faucher's dump truck and forced the working party to withdraw. Realizing that if he abandoned his truck to seek cover himself the valuable equipment might be destroyed, Private Faucher chose to remain in the vehicle despite the enemy fire. He backed the truck one hundred and fifty yards up the road, turned it around and, although mortar shells followed him closely for several hundred yards, drove the vehicle clear of the enemy fire to safety. Entered the military service from Messina, New York.

LEO J ROGERS 20829511, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944 near Wingen, France. Sergeant Rogers' platoon was proceeding with supporting armor along the road to Wingen when the enemy blocked the route of advance with heavy machine gun fire. The remainder of the platoon was pinned down, but Sergeant Rogers ran back to the leading tank, climbed aboard and guided the tank to a position from which it could engage the enemy weapon. Although enemy snipers fired at him, Sergeant Rogers remained in the exposed position atop the tank to direct its fire on the enemy emplacement. The tank's first shell scored a direct hit, silencing the enemy gun and enabling the platoon to continue its advance. Sergeant Rogers' initiative and courage reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

JAMES M SIMPSON 33431460, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 December 1944 near Mertzwiller, France. While bringing ammunition to his company, Private Simpson discovered an enemy patrol infiltrating near the company command post. He shot the enemy soldier leading the column and then ran across an open area under the enemy's fire to alert the headquarters personnel. Although wounded in the action, Private Simpson remained in the fire fight until the enemy, denied the advantage of surprise, was successfully dispersed. Entered the military service from Parnassus, Pennsylvania.

JOHN W SIMPSON 20543913, Coast Artillery Corps, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery C, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 September 1944 near Meximieux, France. Technician Simpson led a group of men over a road covered by intense small arms fire to deliver badly needed ammunition to his battery. He was hit by enemy fire during the action, but he accomplished the mission in spite of his wounds. Entered the military service from Springfield, Kentucky.

JOHN G THOMAS 33745714, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 November 1944 near St. Remy, France. When his company was isolated by infiltrating enemy forces and the supply of ammunition became exhausted, Private Thomas, on his own initiative, led a group of men through heavy enemy fire to replenish the supply. Working his way back over the same hazardous route, he succeeded in returning to the company position with the badly needed ammunition, contributing greatly to repelling the enemy counterattack. Entered the military service from Washington, D. C.

JAMES D TURNHAM 34803736, Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private), Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 17 August 1944 near Vidaubon, France. Finding that his tank destroyer section was in position with its flank unprotected, Private Turnham dismounted the .50-caliber machine gun from the M-10 turret and set it up in a covered position. Shortly thereafter, the enemy launched an attack at the exposed flank, but Private Turnham, prepared to meet the thrust, quickly opened fire and repulsed the attack. Entered the military service from Abanda, Alabama.

FRANCIS T WADE 34150409, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 December 1944 near Mertzwiller, France. When his outpost was driven back by a superior enemy

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force, Sergeant Wade directed his men in a two-hour fire fight, forcing the enemy to withdraw and reestablishing his outpost in a vital position, guarding a footbridge. Entered the military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

JOHN T WEDDING 37705032, Infantry, Corporal (then Private), Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944 near Loire, France. Moving forward under a heavy concentration of enemy machine gun and mortar fire, Corporal Wedding, an ammunition bearer, took charge of a machine gun after the gunner had been wounded. Firing effectively despite the enemy fire directed at his position, he inflicted substantial losses on enemy troops and vehicles and aided materially in repulsing an enemy counterattack. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

EDGAR WIEDERHOLD 38057700, Corps of Engineers, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 December 1944 near Gumbrechtshoffen, France. An enemy roadblock, consisting of a tree felled across the road, was holding up the advance of the infantry and the evacuation of the wounded. Technician Wiederhold, on his own initiative, moved alone to the road block in an attempt to remove it. Although the road was under artillery fire, Technician Wiederhold, by using the axe and chain on his truck, succeeded in clearing the block and greatly expedited the passage of our troops and the evacuation of our wounded. Entered the military service from Dime Box, Texas.

JOHN F COHEE 33897091, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Hurlock, Maryland.

WILBURN R HALSELL 35705649, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Jamestown, Kentucky.

ROY E WHEELER 32944091, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Hudson Falls, New York.

For heroic achievement in action on 19 August 1944 near Barjols, France. During an attack the above three men's company received a heavy concentration of enemy artillery fire and suffered a number of casualties. Learning that the company's medical personnel were engaged in another sector, Privates Cohee, Halsell and Wheeler, ammunition bearers, on their own initiative, moved into the heavily shelled area to carry their wounded comrades through the enemy fire to safety.

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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart.....I
Award of the Purple Heart.....II

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

DIXON D SUMPTER 20828335, Infantry, First Sergeant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 2 September 1944. Home address: Antlers, Oklahoma.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

UEAL F ALLEN 38017262, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 October 1944. Home address: Blair, Oklahoma.

NATHAN BERMAN 36730369, Infantry, Corporal, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 19 October 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

FREDRICK R CRISP 38588916, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 January 1945. Home address: Olney, Oklahoma.

HYMAN FRANKLIN 42044372, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 3 January 1945. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

ERNEST M FREIDMAN 33703475, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 9 September 1944. Home address: Carnegie, Pennsylvania.

BENEDICT T HARRINGTON 36590790, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 January 1945. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

JOHN B KELLY 32944098, Infantry, Sergeant, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 September 1944. Home address: Schenectady, New York.

WALTER NIECHNIEDOWICZ 36562747, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 10 January 1945. Home address: Birmingham, Michigan.

GERHARDT L NUSS 37731216, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 January 1945. Home address: Hudson, Kansas.

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JAMES W OHLIG 20829251, Infantry, Private, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 September 1944. Home address: Eufaula, Oklahoma.

FLOYD E RICE 20825093, Infantry, Sergeant, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 14 October 1943. Home address: Pawnee, Oklahoma.

CLAUDE R SHIVELY 35846733, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 23 December 1944. Home address: Kent, Ohio.

ANDREW J ST DENIS 31462253, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 22 January 1945. Home address: Somerville, Massachusetts.

LEEMAN E WEAVER JR 01998648, Medical Administrative Corps, Second Lieutenant, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 January 1945. Home address: Roanoke, Virginia.

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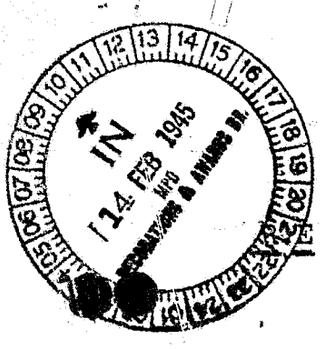

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Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal I
Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal II
Award of the Bronze Star Medal. III

I — AWARD OF THE FIRST BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man:

VIRGIL O LOGAN 36117281, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 1 June 1944 near Aprilia, Italy. When his platoon leader was wounded during an attack, Sergeant Logan assumed command and moved forward under enemy small arms and artillery fire to make a personal reconnaissance. He moved his platoon into another area to give more effective support to the rifle companies and on three separate occasions braved heavy enemy fire to man forward observation posts when his mortar observers were wounded. His effective adjustment of fire contributed to the success of the attack. Entered the military service from Petersburg, Michigan.

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

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following enlisted man:

THOMAS W WHITE 37087230, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 December 1944 near Kindwiller, France. Crossing an open courtyard while clearing a town, Sergeant White's squad encountered heavy enemy machine gun fire. Although his men were forced to seek cover, Sergeant White remained in his exposed position and engaged the machine gun with rapid and accurate rifle fire. His courageous act gave his squad opportunity to flank the enemy position and silence the machine gun. Entered the military service from Rawlins, Wyoming. Next of kin: Mr. Thomas P. White (Father), Box 114, Leucadia, California.

III - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

THOMAS C DAHLIN 36519466, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class), Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 December 1943 in Sicily and Italy. Entered the military service from Pontiac, Michigan.

FRANK S HORAK 38203057, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 August 1944 near Barjols, France. When the enemy directed a heavy concentration of artillery and mortar fire on the company to which he was attached, Private Horak moved out into the shelled area and worked his way from man to man, administering aid and helping to carry his wounded comrades to safety. Private Horak's courage and devotion to duty in exposing himself to enemy fire were responsible for saving the lives of several wounded men. Entered the military service from Weimar, Texas.

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JAMES MARTIN 02000787, Infantry, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), Cannon Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 22 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Snyder, Texas.

JOHN K NAKONECHY 32194333, Infantry, Corporal, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 24 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Stapleton, New York.

THOMAS M PIERCE 20832103, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 and 16 September 1944 near Baume les Dames, France. To establish a communications relay station, Sergeant Pierce drove his armored car into position on an exposed hill, the only location from which he could serve efficiently the widely dispersed elements of his company. The enemy, having excellent observation of the position, immediately directed artillery fire on the hill, but Sergeant Pierce set up his station and, in spite of the heavy shelling, for the next day and a half maintained continuous radio contact with each of the company's guns. Entered the military service from Ada, Oklahoma.

BILL C RINGGENBERG 20833788, Field Artillery, First Sergeant, Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 25 August 1944 near Allex, France. During an attack on an enemy-held town, a platoon of tank destroyers expended all of its ammunition and called for a resupply. Both the destroyers and the road to their positions were under enemy artillery fire, but Sergeant Ringgenberg, realizing the need for replenishing the supply, procured the ammunition truck and drove it through the heavy fire to the guns. As a result, when enemy armor counterattacked a short time later, the tank destroyers succeeded in stopping the attack. Entered the military service from Tonkawa, Oklahoma.

KARL A SCHMID 0405239, Infantry, Major (then Captain), Headquarters Second Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 29 September 1944 near Vimenil, France. When the assault companies of his battalion, then approaching an enemy-held town, encountered heavy defensive fires sweeping four hundred yards of open, exposed terrain immediately in front of the town, Major Schmid, battalion operations officer, went to the front lines for personal reconnaissance. After carefully observing the enemy dispositions and the terrain over which an attack would have to be made, he returned to the battalion commander with recommendations for the employment of an assault company. Major Schmid then returned to the front lines, conveyed the instructions of the battalion commander to the assault company commander, then personally went forward with the leading platoon of the assault company as it attacked to seize the town. Major Schmid's presence gave inspiration to the men, and his assistance in coordinating the attack and the defense of the town after it had been seized were valuable contributions to the entire operation. Entered the military service from Abilene, Texas.

ANDREW A SCHNEIDER 31327681, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 September 1944 near Accolons, France. When his light machine gun section was forced to occupy an alternate position. Private Schneider remained behind to cover the move with effective rifle fire. Enemy snipers sought to silence him, but he continued to fire, killing or wounding several of the enemy. Only when the machine gun section had completed its maneuver did he rejoin his squad. Entered the military service from Bridgeport, Connecticut.

DANIEL V VAUGHAN 01823241, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Reconnaissance Company, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 20 August 1944 near Peyrolles, and Senargent, France. During the drive through Southern France, Lieutenant Vaughan frequently exposed himself to enemy fire in order to lead his reconnaissance platoon in effective assaults on enemy positions. On one occasion, he moved to the head of the armored column and was of great assistance in organizing his men and extricating them from an enemy ambush. On another occasion, when his vehicle was hit by enemy fire and the members of his crew wounded or killed, Lieutenant Vaughan calmly and effectively

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directed the deployment and fire of his patrol in neutralizing the enemy positions. Entered the military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

GEORGE M MESSICK 38016203, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade),
Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from McAlester, Oklahoma.

ALFRED S PATTERSON 36185242, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade,
Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Baldwin, Michigan.

JOSEPH L PRATO 36539696, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Dearborn, Michigan.

For meritorious achievement in action on 16 February 1944 near Aprilia, Italy. The above three men undertook to supply their platoon's mortars with ammunition during a heavy attack by the enemy. Working under enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire for more than twelve hours without rest, and forced to cross nearly a mile of open terrain, they nevertheless succeeded in providing ammunition which made possible the successful defense of the platoon's positions.

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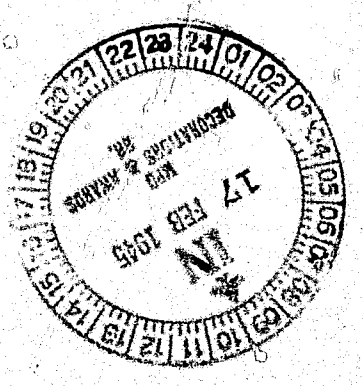

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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart.....I
Award of the Purple Heart.....II

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

MIKE S BATES 37623243, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 January 1945. Home address: Dayton, Ohio.

TOM M COY 20826434, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 5 January 1945. Home address: Baird, Texas.

MELVIN L DEMONEY 38005431, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Antitank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 December 1944. Home address: Bennett, Colorado.

JOHN G FRIED 32752984, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 January 1945. Home address: Laurel Springs, New Jersey.

SIMON GERBUSH 32019103, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 January 1945. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

JOSEPH C MALONEY 13086803, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 20 August 1944. Home address: Swissvale, Pennsylvania.

IRVIN E TOLONEN 36865578, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 August 1944. Home address: Ann Arbor, Michigan.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

JOSEPH J BENKO 33709135, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 January 1945. Home address: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

WOODROW W CARPENTER 34129903, Infantry, Sergeant, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 January 1945. Home address: Spindale, North Carolina.

MAURICE M CROHN 36765297, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 January 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

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RUSSELL CRUM 35264203, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 September 1944. Home address: Banner, Kentucky.

BEN D MARTINEZ 38006147, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 September 1944. Home address: Branson, Colorado.

THOMAS H MILLER 36783459, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 7 January 1945. Home address: Weldon, Illinois.

OTIS D MULLINS 35772678, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 January 1945. Home address: Wheelwright, Kentucky.

CARL W PERKINS 32949102, Infantry, Private, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 7 October 1944. Home address: Endicott, New York.

SIDNEY R REDINGER 38015447, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 January 1945. Home address: Seiling, Oklahoma.

CARL W SISEMORE 38148808, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, France, 1 January 1945. Home address: Crestone, Colorado.

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AWARD OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

Under the provisions of War Department Circular Number 345, 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the following-named organization. Individuals assigned or attached to this unit are entitled to wear the Meritorious Service Unit Insignia only so long as they remain assigned or attached:

SERVICE COMPANY, 180TH INFANTRY REGIMENT, for outstanding devotion to duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period from 15 August to 8 November 1944 in France. During the rapid advance of its regiment from the beaches of Southern France to the foothills of the Vosges Mountains, this company maintained an adequate flow of supplies to the units of the regiment, shuttled troops, maintained its equipment, and carried on its administrative functions in a superior manner. The company was frequently required to maintain a flow of supplies from dumps located more than a hundred miles to the rear. Although all vehicles were kept in virtually constant operation, accidents and breakdowns were held to an absolute minimum. During this period the company improvised additional equipment, including a laundry, and clothing exchange for the personnel of the regiment. The splendid manner in which this company not only performed its assigned tasks in a superior manner in spite of heavy difficulties, but also contributed to the welfare and morale of the regiment, reflects the devotion to duty demonstrated by each member of the company.

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal I
Award of the Air Medal II

I — AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

HAROLD W DENGERINK 38005822, Infantry, Master Sergeant, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

FRANK DRAW 36105288, Infantry, Corporal, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

IRA ENDICOTT 20837029, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 March to 30 November 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

HUBBERT FERGUSON 38016369, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 14 January 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Bristow, Oklahoma.

ULISISS G HARPER 38016220, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 24 September 1943 to 14 January 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wetumka, Oklahoma.

EDWARD N LEACHMAN 20836994, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

LEWIS D LOVELL 39602756, Infantry, Corporal, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Anaconda, Montana.

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PETER P PERRI 20836981, Infantry, Master Sergeant, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

CLYDE H PRICKETT 20837001, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

HARRY C SMITH 20837019, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 19 November 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

JOHN M SMITH 38016313, Medical Department, Technician Third Grade, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 14 January 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Seminole, Oklahoma.

THOMAS I STEPHENS 38005224, Infantry, Corporal, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Norwood, Colorado.

EUGENE STEVENS 38005800, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

II - AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Air Medal is awarded to the following officer:

DONOVAN W PORTER 01177586, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Battery B, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy from 28 August to 20 October 1944, in France. Entered the military service from Albion, Nebraska.

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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart.....I
Award of the Purple Heart.....II

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

EUGENE T BOVEN 16045755, Infantry, Sergeant, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 October 1944. Home address: Kalamazoo, Michigan.

GEORGE H GRAY 33522073, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 January 1945. Home address: Emporia, Virginia.

RUSSELL E STIMATZE 20837204, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Antitank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 20 February 1944. Home address: Canon City, Colorado.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

FRANCIS C BLAUSER 35298592, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 30 November 1944. Home address: Lancaster, Ohio.

FRANK CHICKERY 35034500, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 4 January 1945. Home address: Maynard, Ohio.

CLYDE F DAVIS 14105237, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 20 February 1944. Home address: Brevard, North Carolina.

ROBERT K FISHER 33797006, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 6 September 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

SIMON GERBUSH 32019103, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 7 December 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

WILLIAM M HAMILTON 35919775, Infantry, Sergeant, Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 21 September 1944. Home address: Wooster, Ohio.

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GERALD H HARMAN 33889988, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 22 January 1945. Home address: Cumberland, Maryland.

WALLACE H HEIDER 36774150, Infantry, Private, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 January 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

HORACE B HITT 38347633, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 23 August 1944. Home address: Lelia Lake, Texas.

ROBERT C HOFFMAN 33316474, Infantry, Private, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 January 1945. Home address: Willow Grove, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM F JENNINGS 01319954, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 December 1944. Home address: New York, New York.

PETER P KAWA 36546012, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 7 January 1945. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

FRANK A KOCSIS 42118562, Infantry, Private, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 23 December 1944. Home address: Tonawanda, New York.

WILBER B LIVINGSTON 33571316, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 7 January 1945. Home address: Altoona, Pennsylvania.

CHARLES LOGVINOVICH 31062468, Infantry, Sergeant, Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 21 September 1944. Home address: Lawrence, Massachusetts.

EDWIN C MEISER 33668549, Infantry, Sergeant, Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Home address: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JAMES B MOORE 0538734, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Home address: Alameda, California.

CLIFFORD R MYERS 35902268, Infantry, Private, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 16 December 1944. Home address: Bloomington, Indiana.

WILLIAM M OSTERMAN 32219037, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, Sicily, 12 July 1943. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

DAVID SILVERMAN 32510924, Medical Department, Private, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 January 1945. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

IRVING STEINBERG 36784325, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 13 January 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

GEORGE H STRAUSL 6974613, Infantry, Private, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 22 December 1944. Home address: Buffalo, New York.

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WESLEY E STURGEON 35895805, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 September 1944. Home address: Bloomington, Indiana.

CHARLES A WILLARD 33701188, Infantry, Private, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 30 October 1944. Home address: Washington, Pennsylvania.

THEODORE H YOUNG 36446532, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 October 1944. Home address: Jerseyville, Illinois.

So much of General Orders Number 27, Section II, Award of the Purple Heart, this headquarters, cs, pertaining to FREDERICK HANNSGEN 32206647, Private, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

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Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal. II

I — AWARD OF THE FIRST BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer:

AUGUSTUS J SITTON 0461047, Infantry (Armored Force), First Lieutenant, Company B, 781st Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945 near Wingen, France. Ordered to attack a strongly defended enemy town which had withstood several previous attacks, Lieutenant Sitton planned and coordinated the moves of the infantry and tank assault elements under his command so skillfully that the town was captured with a minimum of casualties and forty-six enemy were taken prisoner. Entered the military service from Anderson, South Carolina.

II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and each of the following enlisted men:

ERNEST BUSTAMANTE 20839579, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 January 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

VINCENT J CICCONE 32204926, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class), Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 15 September 1944 near Loire, France. During a heavy counterattack, Corporal Ciccone, a messenger for a heavy machine gun section, noticed that the left flank gun was not firing. Without orders, he crawled forward to the machine gun position. Finding the gunner wounded, he immediately called for first aid, then manned the gun himself and delivered accurate and effective fire until the enemy was forced to withdraw. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

KARL H EVERTZ 32779182, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 October 1944 near Housseras, France. While attacking an enemy strongpoint, Sergeant Evertz's platoon was subjected to intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire. Sergeant Evertz, who was at the head of the advancing group, continued to move forward and employed his automatic rifle so effectively that the remainder of the platoon was able to maneuver into a favorable position from which the enemy's fire was quickly neutralized. Entered the military service from Union, New Jersey.

EUGENE A FISCHER 35726418, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private), Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 September 1944 near Bourg, France. Although advised to seek cover during a concentration of enemy shell fire, Sergeant Fischer, a machine gunner, remained at his weapon and delivered effective fire on four enemy trucks loaded with personnel. Despite the enemy shelling, he set fire to two of the trucks and forced the enemy to abandon the other two. Entered the military service from Saint Meinrad, Indiana.

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FRED S HATABURDA 31293247, Infantry, Sergeant, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 4 May 1944 near Padiglione, Italy. Sergeant Hataburda's heavy machine gun section was assigned a defensive sector on the perimeter of the Anzio Beachhead. During the course of the day enemy artillery and mortar fire continually interdicted his positions and the routes leading to his command post. Communications with his command post were severed frequently by shell fragments. Sergeant Hataburda repeatedly went into the open, shelled area to repair the telephone line. On one occasion he was forced to crawl a distance of one hundred yards under enemy machine gun fire in order to re-establish communications. The devotion to duty and courage under fire displayed by Sergeant Hataburda reflect credit upon himself and his unit. Entered the military service from Woonsocket, Rhode Island.

EUGENE F HOLDSWORTH 15091126, Infantry, Sergeant, Antitank Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 3 June 1944 near Genzano, Italy. In the attack out of the Anzio Beachhead, Sergeant Holdsworth's battalion secured critical terrain to which the main routes available for supply were mined. In order to support the attack it was mandatory that adequate supply routes be cleared of mines immediately. Although mortar and artillery fire was falling in the area, Sergeant Holdsworth, in charge of a mine clearing squad, promptly and voluntarily assumed responsibility for clearing a supply route. He directed the sweeping of a road and nearby trail and a route connecting the two. Through Sergeant Holdsworth's energy and courage, safe routes were quickly established over which vital supplies were able to reach his battalion. Entered the military service from Morgantown, West Virginia.

RAYMOND R LATHAM 34684510, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 November 1944 near St. Remy, France. Private Latham's machine gun section was supporting a rifle company when the enemy counterattacked and succeeded in encircling the company. Observing enemy infantrymen approaching from the rear, Private Latham jumped out of his emplacement, turned his gun around and delivered accurate fire on the infiltrating force. It was necessary for him to remain exposed in order to bring effective fire on the enemy, but he held to his position, inflicting numerous losses on the enemy until he was wounded by small arms fire. Entered the military service from Columbus, Georgia.

JOHN E SIMKINS 0377420, Infantry (Armored Force), Captain, 781st Tank Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action on 6 and 7 January 1945, near Wingen, France. Coordinating the assault elements of his tank company with the infantry he was supporting, Captain Simkins directed his men in a successful attack on a strongly-held enemy town. Remaining at a forward observation post under fire from automatic weapons and small arms, he maintained effective liaison between the infantry and tank units, a fundamental factor in attaining the objective. Entered the military service from Columbia, South Carolina.

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Award of the First and Second Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Purple Heart . . I
Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart II
Award of the Purple Heart III

I — AWARD OF THE FIRST AND SECOND BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTERS TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first and second Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Purple Heart are awarded to the following enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

LEO P DION 31340528, Infantry, Private, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 5 September 1944 and France 4 October 1944. Home address: Burlington, Vermont.

II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

ANTHONY FILLITIN 36685626, Infantry, Private, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 January 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

ALEXANDER S FLORO 35633149, Infantry, Private, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 13 January 1945. Home address: Mansfield, Ohio.

ROBERT E LAITE 31372464, Infantry, Sergeant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 23 September 1944. Home address: Newbury, Massachusetts.

III - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following officer and each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

LEONARD C COLLIER 38677641, Infantry, Sergeant, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 January 1945. Home address: Colmesneil, Texas.

VICTOR C EDWARDS 32212464, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 4 January 1945. Home address: Niagara Falls, New York.

WALLACE F ELLSWORTH 33546387, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 26 September 1944. Home address: Sedley, Virginia.

PAUL R FRANZ 01315294, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 7 October 1944. Home address: Elizabeth, New Jersey.

DONALD L HARDESTY 12174774, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 31 January 1945. Home address: Scotia, New York.

GUY T HOUDYSHELL 38015482, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 4 January 1945. Home address: Keyes, Oklahoma.

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ORESTES N KAROUSATOS 33747243, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 9 September 1944. Home address: Washington, D. C.

MELVIN J KROENING 36227003, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 11 January 1945. Home address: Stratford, Wisconsin.

JOHN J MANULI 42061064, Infantry, Private, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 23 January 1945. Home address: Yonkers, New York.

STEPHEN S PILAT 31348522, Infantry, Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 January 1945. Home address: Northampton, Massachusetts.

SAMUEL STRIZ 36583414, Infantry, Private, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 19 January 1945. Home address: Melvindale, Michigan.

VICTOR V TENWALDE 35019303, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 4 January 1945. Home address: Columbus Grove, Ohio.

MICHAEL J TURSO 32921136, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 February 1945. Home address: North Bergen, New Jersey.

RALPH J ZIOLKE 33832751, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 February 1945. Home address: Zion Grove, Pennsylvania.

So much of General Orders Number 313, Section IV, Award of the Purple Heart, this headquarters, 1944, as pertains to J B WILSON 34605335, Infantry, Sergeant, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

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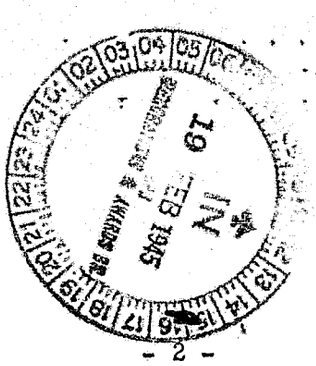

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Award of the Silver Star I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Missing in Action II
Award of the Bronze Star Medal III

I — AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

OWEN R ROCK 32852983, Corps of Engineers, Private First Class (then Private), Company D, 36th Engineer Combat Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 January 1945 near Baerenthal, France. Private Rock was a member of the leading platoon in a company assault upon a hill position which the enemy had organized as a strongpoint. The leading platoon was pinned down by heavy small arms and mortar fire as they neared the crest of the hill and after a short time were ordered to withdraw. However, heavy enemy fire and the lack of concealment made withdrawal impossible. Private Rock, who was carrying a light machine gun with the ammunition belt slung over his left shoulder, suddenly observed two enemy soldiers run from an enemy machine gun position and attempt to reach another post nearby. Despite the heavy fire covering the area Private Rock leaped to his feet and charged toward the two enemy, firing his machine gun from the hip as he ran. His fire killed both the enemy soldiers and so affected other enemy in this sector that Private Rock's platoon was enabled to begin its withdrawal. Entered the military service from Albany, New York.

JOHN A VOYTASEK 33277091, Corps of Engineers, Sergeant, Company C, 36th Engineer Combat Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 January 1945 near Baerenthal, France. Sergeant Voytasek was a squad leader in a platoon which attacked strong enemy emplacements occupying commanding terrain. The enemy placed well-directed mortar and small arms fire against the attackers who nevertheless nearly reached the enemy positions before being pinned down by this heavy fire. The platoon commander and two soldiers fell wounded in an open area about thirty yards from the enemy position. Despite the fact that approaches to the wounded men were without cover and under direct enemy fire, Sergeant Voytasek at once volunteered to attempt to withdraw the men. With great courage he arose, and against aimed enemy small arms fire from the nearby emplacements, advanced toward the point where the wounded men lay. Only after he had been struck four times by bullets and grenade fragments which rendered him incapable of performing his self-assigned mission did he withdraw. Entered the military service from Brownsville, Pennsylvania.

II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer, missing in action:

THOMAS G THOMPSON 01115818, Corps of Engineers, First Lieutenant, Company B, 36th Engineer Combat Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 16 January 1945 near Obermuhlthal, France. In its initial offensive action, the platoon commanded by Lieutenant Thompson was ordered to silence an enemy machine gun which was holding up the attack of an adjacent company. Lieutenant Thompson placed himself at the head of the platoon and, in spite of the enemy machine gun and rifle fire directed at him, led his platoon in a successful attack against the enemy positions. Lieutenant Thompson's aggressive leadership was responsible for silencing the enemy gun and enabling the adjacent company to continue its advance and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Long Beach, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Ethel W. Thompson (Wife), 27 Connecticut Avenue, Long Beach, New York.

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III - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and each of the following enlisted men:

ALOYSIUS J CALLAHAN 13048745, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Cannon Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944 near Bournois, France. On the night of 16 September the enemy directed heavy, accurate counterbattery fire at positions occupied by Sergeant Callahan's platoon. Five men were killed and three wounded, but Sergeant Callahan, moving from his covered position in spite of the barrage, maintained control of the situation and prevented disorganization and further losses. Exposing himself to the enemy fire, he administered aid to the wounded men, then directed the movement from the impact area, working his way through the shell fire to check the dispersal of his men and guns. Entered the military service from Mount Carmel, Pennsylvania.

JAMES DOBRY 01103137, Corps of Engineers, Captain, Company B, 36th Engineer Combat Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action from 31 December 1944 to 18 January 1945 near Wissembourg, France. Shortly after he was placed in command, Captain Dobry's company was ordered to attack and seize an important crossroads one thousand yards to its front. Captain Dobry personally led the company in a successful attack, seizing the crossroads and forcing the enemy to withdraw. Two days later, Captain Dobry again led his company in a successful attack against a strong enemy hill position. Captain Dobry's aggressive and skillful leadership was responsible for the success of his company and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Valley Lee, Maryland.

JOSEPH J MARIBITO 31162350, Corps of Engineers, Corporal, 36th Engineer Combat Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 January 1945 near Phillipsbourg, France. When the position occupied by Corporal Maribito's platoon was subjected to a heavy artillery concentration a member of the platoon was seriously wounded. Hearing his cries for help, Corporal Maribito left his foxhole and made his way to the position where the wounded man lay. He then carried him back to the safety of his foxhole. Corporal Maribito, in spite of the heavy fire falling in the area, ran back for the platoon aid man and returned with him to the wounded soldier. Corporal Maribito's quick action was responsible for bringing prompt medical attention to his wounded comrade and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

So much of General Orders Number 308, Section I, Award of the Bronze Star Medal, this headquarters, 1944, as reads, "KENNETH G GROOM 01284174, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Company A, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion", is hereby amended to read, "KENNETH G GROOM 01824174, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Company A, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion".

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following officer and each of the following enlisted men:

HOWARD L DUNN 12174621, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class), Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 13 September 1944 near Bourgeoise, France. As Corporal Dunn's squad crossed an open field, it was temporarily stopped by enemy machine gun and sniper fire. While the others sought cover, Corporal Dunn ran toward the enemy positions alone, firing his automatic rifle as he advanced. He was knocked down by the enemy fire, but he regained his feet and continued his assault. Corporal Dunn's effective fire forced six enemy soldiers to surrender, killed two, wounded four others and enabled his squad to take the enemy position. His courage and aggressiveness reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Little Falls, New York.

ALEX S GRABOWSKI 31330323, Infantry, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 23 August 1944 near Grenoble, France. When a large enemy force was reported approaching the road block manned by his antitank squad, Private Grabowski moved to an observation post seven hundred yards forward of the squad's position and established wire communication. When he sighted the enemy he relayed the location of the enemy force to his unit at the road block. Then, instead of withdrawing to safety, he remained in order to ascertain detailed information as to the enemy strength. Although the attacking force moved quickly past his position and Private Grabowski was exposed to heavy fire and the possibility of capture, he continued with his reports until the enemy threatened to block his escape route. As he withdrew, he stopped to render a machine gun useless to the enemy, and while so engaged was taken prisoner. He was subsequently released by counterattacking friendly troops. Private Grabowski's courage and initiative were major contributions to the successful defense of the road block and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from New Haven, Connecticut.

CLOYCE R KING 31334631, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 September 1944 near Accolons, France. As Sergeant King's company was advancing west of Accolons, it received heavy enemy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire, followed by a strong counterattack. Sergeant King withdrew his 60mm mortar squad to a defiladed position where the mortar could be set up and then he moved to an observation post forward of friendly lines to direct the fire of his squad. Enemy snipers immediately opened fire at him, but he continued to adjust fire on the attacking force and succeeded in inflicting substantial losses on the enemy. At the same time, he discovered the locations of several of the snipers and, returning their fire with his carbine, killed or wounded four of them. Sergeant King's courage and initiative were material contributions to repelling the counterattack and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Manchester, Connecticut.

CARL R RUTHERFORD 01305652, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 25 October 1944 near Mortagne, France. Ordered to clear enemy forces from a ridge northeast of Mortagne, Lieutenant Rutherford's company was advancing through an open area before the objective when cross fire from enemy machine guns stopped the attack. While his men sought cover from the heavy fire, Lieutenant Rutherford mounted a supporting tank and guided the vehicle to three successive enemy emplacements. Despite machine gun and rifle fire directed at him in his exposed position, Lieutenant Rutherford was able to direct the tank in neutralizing five enemy guns. He then rejoined his company and led his men in a final assault on the ridge which

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dispersed the enemy force, captured eight, and gained the objective. Lieutenant Rutherford's courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Tacoma, Washington.

JUAN P TRUJILLO 38352447, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. For several days Sergeant Trujillo's company had been defending an extensive sector where repeated attacks by the enemy had inflicted a number of casualties upon his company and materially reduced its strength. A small enemy group who realized the thinness of the line attempted to attack through a gap between two platoons of Sergeant Trujillo's company. Despite the numerical superiority of the enemy and the lack of cover in the area, Sergeant Trujillo rushed to the opening to stop the threatened penetration. The enemy group attempted to intercept him, but he continued to advance and opened fire with his submachine gun. His fire killed or wounded four of the enemy and forced the remainder to withdraw. Sergeant Trujillo's bold and courageous act prevented the penetration of his company's position and was of material assistance in the defense of the sector. Entered the military service from Santa Fe, New Mexico.

So much of General Orders Number 31, Section I, Award of the Silver Star, this headquarters, as reads "EDMUND B KEITH 01299898, Infantry, Captain, 274th Infantry Regiment", is amended to read, "EDWIN B KEITH 01299898, Infantry, Captain, 274th Infantry Regiment".

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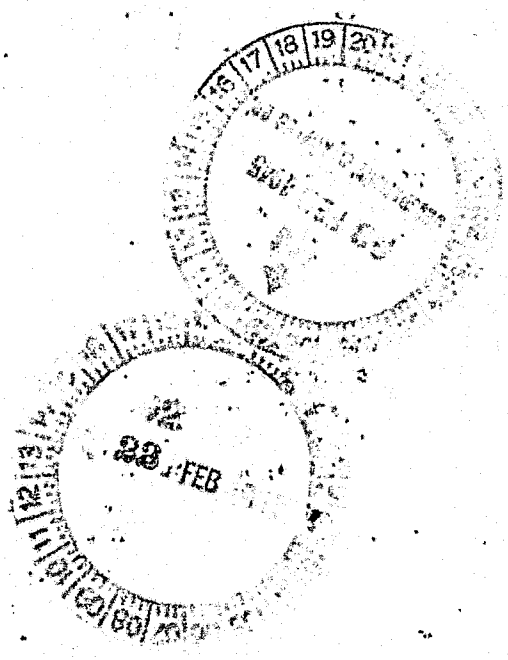

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I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

LEONARD M CARR 39356324, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 September 1944. Home address: Portland, Oregon.

ROBERT W GOSNELL 33764293, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 October 1944. Home address: Aitch, Pennsylvania.

JOHN C TAGGART 36674991, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 9 February 1945. Home address: Bridgeport, Illinois.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

RALPH H BRICKNER 35878685, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 October 1944. Home address: Cincinnati, Ohio.

CARL E BURTON 36448202, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 11 December 1944. Home address: Assumption, Illinois.

LEONARDO A CORTEZ 39708990, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 October 1944. Home address: Upland, California.

CHARLES W DANAHER 37485317, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 5 February 1945. Home address: David City, Nebraska.

JOHN A DI GIACOMO 31056699, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 20 August 1944. Hom. address: Providence, Rhode Island.

RAYMOND M DUNKLE JR 36691396, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 3 February 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

HARRY L FISCHER 35123900, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 17 November 1943. Home address: Cincinnati, Ohio.

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WALTER HAMMONS 35884078, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 October 1944. Home address: Girdler, Kentucky.

CHARLES J LANFEST 31318422, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 3 December 1943. Home address: Crono, Maine.

WILLIAM E MACH 36686731, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

ROBERT L MANES 34835332, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 November 1944. Home address: Statesboro, Georgia.

WILLIAM F SCHNELL 13029143, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 November 1944. Home address: Lehighton, Pennsylvania.

RALPH C SMITH 20906527, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 6 November 1944. Home address: Los Angeles, California.

SALVATORE J SURIANO 32867847, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 7 December 1944. Home address: New York, New York.

ERNEST VERMETTE 32213927, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 October 1944. Home address: Malone, New York.

EDWARD J WAGNER 32820890, Infantry, Private, Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 14 March 1944. Home address: Bronx, New York.

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Section I

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

WALLACE E GEER 35754373, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 30 August 1944. Home address: Newell, West Virginia.

ANDREW J LICSKO 32919004, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 September 1944. Home address: Trenton, New Jersey.

FELIX L SPARKS 0386497, Infantry, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters Third Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 January 1945. Home address: Miami, Arizona.

Section II

Award of the Purple Heart.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

CARL L ALEXANDER 15362363, Infantry, Private, Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 September 1944. Home address: Norwood, Ohio.

HOWARD BRENNECKE 36688150, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 28 January 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

EARL L COMPTON 20827255, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 4 March 1944. Home address: Ada, Oklahoma.

ALBERT FISHER 32216373, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 23 December 1944. Home address: Long Island City, New York.

SIDNEY GOLD 33582551, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 10 December 1944. Home address: Eddystone, Pennsylvania.

HERBERT E JUDGE 31464266, Infantry, Private, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 January 1945. Home address: Oak Lawn, Rhode Island.

WILLIAM J KILLION 32949243, Infantry, Private, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 December 1944. Home address: Troy, New York.

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LOUIS T LAGRENADE 31012922, Field Artillery, Corporal, Battery B, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, France, 14 November 1944. Home address: Troy, New Hampshire.

LEWELL L LANDERS 34800464, Infantry, Sergeant, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Russellville, Alabama.

FRED O MILLER 32946741, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 December 1944. Home address: Truxton, New York.

EDWARD W NOWAK 36896639, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 4 December 1944. Home address: Alpena, Michigan.

CLIFFORD R SANDEFUR 37437620, Infantry, Private, Cannon Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 September 1944. Home address: Ware, Iowa.

KENNETH H WHITE 20834942, Medical Department, Private, Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, Italy, 3 April 1944. Home address: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

WILLIAM H YORK 20828072, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 30 December 1943. Home address: Atoka, Oklahoma.

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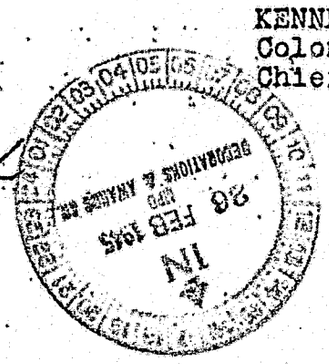

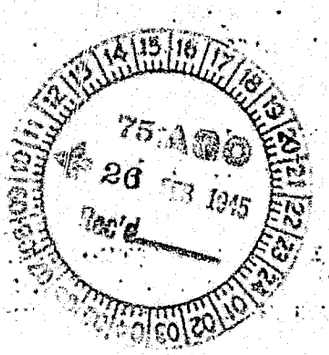

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

BARNEY NOTO 32877790, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. The enemy launched a series of fierce counterattacks against positions occupied by Sergeant Noto's company and threatened to encircle his platoon. Unable to withdraw, the platoon could hold the attack only by concentrating all available fire power at a rate which quickly depleted the supply of small arms ammunition. Realizing the gravity of the situation, Sergeant Noto left his position and dashed across one hundred yards of open terrain to a nearby supply dump to procure the necessary ammunition. Although the enemy mortar and machine gun fire continued unabated, Sergeant Noto immediately broke the ammunition down and began to crawl from foxhole to foxhole, distributing it among his comrades. When still more ammunition was needed he made the hazardous trip again and then returned to his emplacement to continue the fire fight. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

BERNIE L STOKES 38006054, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Cannon Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944 near Bournois, France. On the night of 16 September 1944, Sergeant Stokes' platoon received severe counterbattery fire which killed five men and wounded three. During the heavy shelling, Sergeant Stokes left a covered position to assist his platoon sergeant in handling the situation. Working under the artillery fire, he assisted in the treatment and evacuation of the wounded men and aided materially in the movement of the platoon and its equipment to new positions. He then returned to the impact area to check the dispersal of the men and vehicles and to insure that all equipment had been safely removed from the area. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

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Section I

Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following enlisted man:

ROBERT G BERRY 12055076, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 24 and 25 September 1944 near Domevre-Sur-Durbion, France. Sergeant Berry's platoon was engaged in an attack on an enemy road block covered by heavy and accurate fire from enemy automatic weapons established in nearby buildings. Despite the intensity of the enemy fire, Sergeant Berry remained constantly at the head of his platoon during the assault, directing his men, urging them on and hurling hand grenades himself at the enemy positions where resistance proved strong. As he was working his way to one of the squads, Sergeant Berry was mortally wounded by enemy fire, but he continued to reassure and advise the men near him. Sergeant Berry's courage and devotion to duty were an inspiration to his comrades and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Courtland, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Lulu Olive Berry (Mother), Route #2, Courtland, New York.

Section II

Award of the Silver Star, Missing in Action

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following enlisted man, missing in action:

JOSEPH T OLANDER 31313772, Medical Department, Private, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 December 1944 near Niederschlottenbach, Germany. During a fire fight, a man from the platoon to which Private Olander was attached as aid man was seriously wounded. Although the wounded man lay in an exposed position and the area was covered with accurate fire from enemy small arms and self-propelled guns, Private Olander crawled to him to render medical aid. Finding it inadvisable to move the soldier without a litter, he returned to the platoon, procured boards and a shelter half, and made his way back through the enemy fire to the wounded man. When last seen, Private Olander was placing the soldier on an improvised litter. His courage and devotion to duty were an inspiration to his comrades and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Wethersfield, Connecticut. Next of kin: Mrs. Nora Olander (Mother), 22 Yales Street, Wethersfield, Connecticut.

Section III

Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

BRANSFORD T FRAILEY 01316891, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 September 1944 near Accolons, France. As Lieutenant Frailey's platoon was leading an attack up the slope of a steep hill, it encountered strong resistance from well dug-in enemy positions. By moving from squad to squad, shouting encouragement and directing their movements, Lieutenant Frailey enabled his platoon to build up a volume of fire and force a gap in the enemy line. Pressing his advantage, Lieutenant Frailey led his platoon forward until he discovered that the remainder of the company was being held up on the right. Quickly making a reconnaissance, he swung his platoon around to attack from the flank, advancing

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at the head of his platoon. When an enemy machine gun opened fire, Lieutenant Frailey crawled forward and silenced the enemy weapon with several bursts from his submachine gun. As a result of Lieutenant Frailey's courageous and aggressive leadership, the enemy force was dispersed and the company was able to accomplish its mission. Entered the military service from Barnsdall, Oklahoma.

WALTER W JAROSZ 20112429, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. Sergeant Jarosz's platoon had been defending a hill against a series of enemy counterattacks when the platoon leader was wounded and evacuated. Shortly after Sergeant Jarosz assumed command, the enemy launched another attack. Sergeant Jarosz immediately began to move through the platoon area, in spite of the enemy small arms and machine gun fire, checking each of his squads, encouraging his men and directing their fire. Observing that the enemy was gaining ground on the right, he rushed forward to add his own fire power in that sector, and in his determination to drive the enemy back, moved ahead of his platoon to fire his submachine gun from an exposed position. Although the object of intense enemy fire, he held his ground, firing at the attacking force until the counterattack had been repulsed. Sergeant Jarosz's courageous and aggressive leadership was a major contribution to repelling the enemy attack and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Webster, Massachusetts.

GEORGE T PIERCE 31341607, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. Before launching an attack, the enemy directed a heavy concentration of artillery and mortar fire on positions occupied by Sergeant Pierce's company, inflicting a number of casualties and wounding Sergeant Pierce's platoon leader. Assuming command, Sergeant Pierce worked his way through the heavy fire to reorganize his men and direct covering fire while the remainder of the company moved to more advantageous positions. Despite the exploding shells and the intense small arms fire falling in the area Sergeant Pierce continued to move from man to man, shouting encouragement and controlling their fire until the company had completed its maneuver. Then, as his platoon joined the company, Sergeant Pierce remained behind to cover its move with effective fire. Sergeant Pierce's courageous and skillful leadership was an important factor in the success of the company's maneuver and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Oakville, Connecticut.

GERHARD REETHOF 33796566, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. Private Reethof, a wireman for a 60mm mortar section, was returning from a mission of laying wire to an observation post when the enemy launched a large-scale counterattack at positions occupied by his company. Observing that the crew of one of the light machine guns was knocked out, Private Reethof crawled to the gun in spite of the enemy fire and dragged it to a position covering a trail being used by the enemy as a main route of approach. There he delivered a sustained and accurate fire which killed six enemy soldiers and wounded more than twelve others. Private Reethof's alertness and courage were major factors in repelling the enemy attack and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Cambridge, Massachusetts.

ROY F RUMBAUGH 01998030, Infantry, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 September 1944 near Archottes, France. Acting as platoon leader after the evacuation of his officer, Lieutenant Rumbaugh, then staff sergeant, planned and executed a successful crossing of the Moselle River. The enemy had discovered the preparations for the crossing and covered the area with heavy artillery and small arms fire. Despite the heavy fire, Lieutenant Rumbaugh made a personal reconnaissance and then expertly directed his men through the neck-deep water to the far side. There, instead of climbing the bank, he led his men up the river, still submerged in the water, to engage the enemy from the flank. His maneuver

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caught the defending force completely by surprise, and as a result the platoon captured twenty-eight enemy soldiers. Lieutenant Rumbaugh's courageous and skillful leadership was a fundamental contribution to the establishment of a bridgehead across the Moselle and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Wilkensburg, Pennsylvania.

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

WILLIAM F BERTRAM 38005392, Infantry, First Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant), Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 May 1944 near Carano, Italy. Sergeant Bertram's platoon of heavy machine guns was attached to a rifle company during an attack. After part of the company was temporarily stopped by concentrated enemy fire, Sergeant Bertram, in spite of the enemy fire falling in the area, ran forward to the rifle company commander and obtained permission to move his guns to a more advantageous position on the flank. From the new position he was able to offer excellent supporting fire which contributed materially to the company's successful assault on the objective. Entered the military service from Limon, Colorado.

STEVE BURAK 36651545, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private), Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 November 1944 near St. Remy, France. The enemy launched a heavy counterattack with automatic weapons and a large number of infantry succeeded in surrounding the company to which Sergeant Burak's machine gun section was attached. In spite of the enemy automatic weapons directed at him, Sergeant Burak met the attempts to capture his position with a constant stream of fire from his machine gun. When his supply of machine gun ammunition had been exhausted, Sergeant Burak, armed only with a pistol, drove off several of the enemy and killed at least one. Finally forced to withdraw, Sergeant Burak assisted in the evacuation of several wounded men from the danger zone before he sought safety himself. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JESSE W HESLER 35873357, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 November 1944 near Etival, France. During an advance down a valley, Sergeant Hesler's platoon was subjected to intense enemy fire from the front and flanks. Although the enemy weapons inflicted many casualties on the platoon, the plan of attack made it imperative that the position be held. Throughout the ensuing fire fight, which lasted for more than eight hours, Sergeant Hesler continually braved the heavy enemy fire to maintain contact with the members of his squad, moving from man to man to direct their fire and encourage them to hold. After the order finally came to withdraw, Sergeant Hesler remained behind to lead litter bearers to the wounded men. Entered the military service from Washington, Kentucky.

WILLIAM B HILL 35771513, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Evans, West Virginia.

JAMES M STORY 34731350, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private),
Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Sylvia, Tennessee.

GERRIT WEAVERS JR 36459419, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private),
Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Grand Haven, Michigan.

ANDREW P YANITSHY 36877699, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private),
Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Ann Arbor, Michigan.

For heroic achievement in action on 8 November 1944 near Etival, France. Before positions gained by the above four soldiers' company could be consolidated, the enemy launched a strong counterattack and succeeded in encircling the

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unit. The four soldiers were carrying ammunition from a rear area when they were confronted by the enemy. Armed only with pistols, Privates Hill, Story, Weavers and Yanitsky crawled to within close range of enemy machine gun positions, killed the gunners, captured their weapons and employed them against the remaining enemy who had cut off their unit. Although the sound of the enemy guns they were using drew fire from friendly troops as well as the nearby enemy, the four soldiers fought with determination for more than two hours and finally effected a breakthrough to their isolated company.

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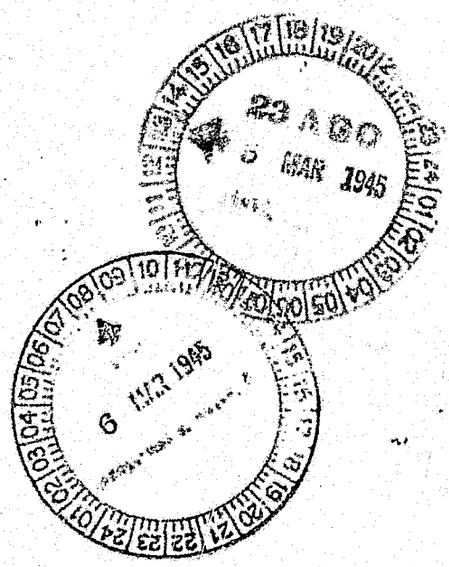

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Section I

Award of the First and Second Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Purple Heart.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First and Second Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Purple Heart are awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

ERNEST SPERLING 32957291, Infantry, Private, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 August 1944, and France, 23 October 1944. Home address: Trenton, New Jersey.

JACK L TREADWELL 01703018, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 21 September 1944, and France, 7 October 1944. Home address: Snyder, Oklahoma.

CECIL A WITT 20838756, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 30 September 1944, and France, 9 February 1945. Home address: Fort Collins, Colorado.

Section II

Award of the Purple Heart and the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart and the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart are awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

HOWARD K BROWN 15303903, Infantry, Private, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 29 November 1944, and France, 14 December 1944. Home address: Dayton, Ohio.

LEONARD D DVORAK 013072-1, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Antitank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 28 March 1944, and Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

CHARLES F HECK 35609815, Infantry, Private, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 24 September 1944, and France, 26 September 1944. Home address: Youngstown, Ohio.

JOSEPH L SARRO 33591879, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 30 March 1944, and Italy, 8 May 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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Section III

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

STEPHEN C BATCHO 33571147, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 26 September 1944. Home address: Wellscreek, Pennsylvania.

VERNIE COLLINS 38019061, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 23 October 1944. Home address: Wagoner, Oklahoma.

ROY A HARMS 36900639, Infantry, Private, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 October 1944. Home address: Ashkum, Illinois.

FRANK L MORRIS 20829538, Infantry, Private, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 January 1945. Home address: Fort Gibson, Oklahoma.

WILLIAM R TUNGATE 15115707, Infantry, Private, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 31 October 1944. Home address: Cincinnati, Ohio.

So much of General Orders Number 46, Section , Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart, this headquarters, as pertains to ROBERT W GOSNELL 33764293, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, as reads "France, 16 October 1944", is amended to read "Italy, 26 May 1944."

Section IV

Award of the Purple Heart.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

HARRY A AZURE 37572658, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Dunseith, North Dakota.

ROBERT D BRENNAN 31[illegible]72, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 September 1944. Home address: Bangor, Maine.

WILLIAM H CAIRNS 33802665, Infantry, Private, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 21 September 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

ROSS CRAWFORD 38000379, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 August 1944. Home address: Buckeye, Arizona.

JOHN H DINSMOORE 36464700, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 25 May 1944. Home address: Bay City, Michigan.

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OLIVER B HOOD 34980336, Infantry, Sergeant, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 13 February 1945. Home address: Avon Park, Florida.

ANTHONY S KAMINSKI 32197810, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 13 September 1943. Home address: Bronx, New York.

DELMAS N LONG 35228173, Infantry, Private, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 10 September 1944. Home address: Quaker City, Ohio.

TENNIS MAYNARD 35650623, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 7 October 1943. Home address: Holden, West Virginia.

HOWARD D MC ELROY 36662605, Infantry, Sergeant, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 December 1944. Home address: Spindale, North Carolina.

CLARENCE G ROWE 34817699, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 24 September 1944. Home address: Tallassee, Alabama.

GEORGE R RUSSELL 34491842, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 September 1944. Home address: Sevierville, Tennessee.

GERALD F SKINNER 36184055, Infantry, Private, Antitank Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 19 February 1944. Home address: Newaygo, Michigan.

JAMES W UPHOLD 35756409, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 29 September 1944. Home address: Dellslow, West Virginia.

ANTHONY VECCHIO 42063161, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 December 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

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Section I

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

BILLY G EMICK 35549514, Infantry, Sergeant, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 24 September 1944. Home address: Berne, Indiana.

BONNY P VASSALLO 19123250, Infantry, Corporal, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 29 September 1944. Home address: Houlton, Oregon.

Section II

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

CHARLES J FALERIS 36110299, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 11 January 1945. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

RAYMOND L KIRCHLER 34800329, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 7 January 1945. Home address: Birmingham, Alabama.

CHARLES E KNIGHT 35206754, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 November 1944. Home address: Flemington, West Virginia.

MARIO J TATARO 11061672, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 9 November 1943. Home address: Northampton, Massachusetts.

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Section I

Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following enlisted man:

LLOYD A BRAINARD 20632079, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 24 and 25 September 1944 near Domevre-Sur-Durbion, France. Throughout a night attack on an enemy-held village, Sergeant Brainard worked without rest, reorganizing the platoon, reorienting those who were lost in the darkness, encouraging his men and directing their fire. When orders came to discontinue the attack and to hold, Sergeant Brainard was largely instrumental in consolidating the position. He labored tirelessly, checking and rechecking security measures, moving from squad to squad to reassure his men by his own calmness and courage. When, at daylight, the enemy launched a strong counterattack, Sergeant Brainard, despite the lack of cover and the close-range sniper fire, again moved through the platoon area to check the deployment of his men. While so engaged, he was critically wounded, but he continued to give advice and reassurance to those who were near him. Sergeant Brainard's courage and devotion to duty were an inspiration to his comrades and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Lansing, Michigan. Next of kin: Mrs. Addie Brainard (Grandmother), 617 May Street, Lansing, Michigan.

Section II

Award of the Silver Star, Missing in Action

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following enlisted man, missing in action:

CHARLES H BISHOP 32388033, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7 November 1944 near Etival, France. The platoon to which Private Bishop was attached was temporarily halted in a valley by enemy machine gun and small arms fire. The enemy occupied commanding ground and attempts by our troops to advance resulted in many casualties. One medical aid man had already been killed trying to bring assistance to the men in the valley. When another soldier was seriously wounded, Private Bishop left his position and worked his way to the side of the wounded man. He administered aid and then, in spite of the heavy enemy fire falling in the area, carried the wounded soldier out of the valley to a position from which litter bearers could evacuate him to the battalion aid station. Private Bishop's courage and devotion to duty undoubtedly saved the soldier's life and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from East Orange, New Jersey. Next of kin: Mrs. Elsie Bishop (Mother), 62 Park Avenue, East Orange, New Jersey.

Section III

Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

ROBERT W SCHUMACHER 32262118, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Recon-

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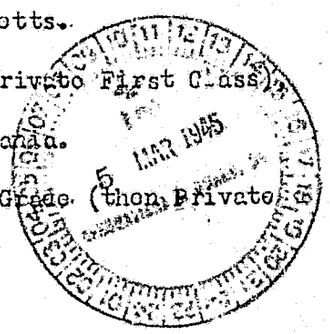
naissance Company, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action on 20 August 1944 near Peyrolles, France. Private Schumacher was acting as machine gunner on a quarter-ton vehicle when the platoon with which he was serving ran into an enemy ambush. His vehicle was disabled, but Private Schumacher remained at his post although exposed to the intense enemy fire. He covered the enemy force with effective machine gun fire until the crews of two disabled armored cars in front of him had time to withdraw. When he had exhausted his ammunition and attempted to leave the area himself, enemy troops had already surrounded the position and he was taken prisoner. Private Schumacher remained alert, however, and when his guard was wounded by American artillery fire escaped and returned to his unit. Private Schumacher's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Long Island, New York.

CHARLES L LAMPROPOULOS 31369268, Infantry, Staff Sergeant,
Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Ipswich, Massachusetts.

EDWARD A CONWAY 33365218, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class),
Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Millvale, Pennsylvania.

GERALD C SMITH 38005950, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class),
Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Fleming, Colorado.



For gallantry in action on the night of 25 November 1944 near Rauwiller, France. As the above three soldiers were hauling rations to their company, the enemy laid down a heavy concentration of artillery fire, wounding a number of men in the unit their company was about to relieve. Informed of the location of seven of the wounded, Sergeant Lampropoulos, Corporal Conway and Technician Smith, without hesitation, exposed themselves to the enemy shell fire in order to load the men on their vehicles and evacuate them to the aid station. On the return trip, they learned of three more casualties and again—this time exposed to the intense machine gun fire by the bright moonlight—succeeded in bringing the wounded soldiers to the aid station. After they had delivered the rations to their company, they were told that an exploding shell had caved in the wall of a nearby house and had resulted in a number of casualties. The area was illuminated by the burning building and any movement immediately drew enemy machine gun and small arms fire, but the three soldiers succeeded in working their way to the injured men, placed them on litters and carried them through the enemy fire to safety. In the course of the night, they evacuated twenty-seven men to the aid station. The courage and concern for their fellow soldiers displayed by Sergeant Lampropoulos, Corporal Conway and Technician Smith reflect credit upon themselves and their organization.

Section IV

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted men:

DANIEL POHRONEZNY 33831396, Infantry, Private, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 November 1944 near St. Remy, France. Private Pohronezny, an ammunition bearer for a machine gun section, observed one of his comrades lying seriously wounded in an exposed area and moved forward to rescue the soldier. The enemy directed intense machine gun fire at him, pinning him down, and he was forced to remain under fire for several hours, but he finally succeeded in assisting the wounded man to safety. While so engaged, Private Pohronezny was seriously wounded, but his courage and concern for his fellow-soldier undoubtedly saved the man's life and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Summit Station, Pennsylvania.

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Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following enlisted man:

GEORGE E HITT 31386559, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 Decembe. 1944 near Oberbronn, France. During an attack over difficult terrain an assault company of infantry was subjected to intense flak, artillery and tank fire. Numerous casualties were inflicted and the company became temporarily disorganized. Private Hitt, along with two other members of a wire crew, was engaged in laying a line behind the attacking company. He immediately procured his rifle and moved forward through the heavy fire to give support to the disorganized platoons. Although the intense enemy fire forced the riflemen to withdraw, Private Hitt remained under the heavy fire, firing effectively at the enemy force and withstanding repeated efforts to drive him from his position. Private Hitt and his comrades held their ground until the platoons had been reorganized and were able to resume the attack. Private Hitt was killed during this action, but his courage and devotion to duty were material contributions to the subsequent capture of the company objective and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Newport, Rhode Island. Next of kin: Mr. George E. Hitt, Jr. (Father), 46 Van Zandt, Newport, Rhode Island.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Missing in Action

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man, missing in action:

OVA E PELPHREY 35776087, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 December 1944 near Oberbronn, France. Technician Pelphrey was in charge of a wire crew laying wire behind an assault company of infantry during an attack on enemy positions. Learning that the rifle company had suffered heavy casualties from enemy flak guns and tanks, and was being driven back, Technician Pelphrey ordered his men to continue laying the wire while he moved forward through the enemy fire to assist one of the platoons in repelling the enemy force. Helping to reorganize and encourage the riflemen, adding his own fire power where necessary, Technician Pelphrey aided materially in getting the attack under way again. His courage and initiative were instrumental in the capture of the company objective and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Volga, Kentucky. Next of kin: Mrs. Kurzie Pelphrey (Mother), Volga, Kentucky.

Section III

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and enlisted man:

CLAIENCE G ROWE 34817699, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic

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achievement in action on 5 December 1944 near Oberbronn, France. During an attack over difficult terrain an assault company of infantry was subjected to intense flak, artillery and tank fire. Numerous casualties were inflicted and the company became temporarily disorganized. Technician Rowe, along with two other members of his wire crew, was engaged in laying a line behind the attacking company. He immediately procured his rifle and moved forward through the heavy fire to give support to the disorganized platoons. Although the enemy counterattacked with superior numbers, Technician Rowe remained under the heavy fire, firing effectively at the enemy force and withstanding repeated efforts to drive him from his position. Technician Rowe and his comrades held their ground until the platoons had been reorganized and were able to resume the attack. Technician Rowe's courage and devotion to duty were material contributions to the subsequent capture of the company objective and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Dadeville, Alabama.

BENJAMIN A WILLIAMS 01323268, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Wimmenau, France. While attacking enemy positions on high ground near Wimmenau, Lieutenant Williams' platoon encountered intense enemy mortar and machine gun fire which caused a temporary halt in the advance. Making a quick estimate of the situation, Lieutenant Williams moved through the enemy fire to place his men where they could offer the most protection for the company's flank. Then, guiding a supporting tank to the targets, Lieutenant Williams, although forced to take an exposed position in order to do so, directed such effective tank fire that two enemy machine gun positions were neutralized and the platoon was able to continue its advance to the objective. Entered the military service from Courtland, Virginia.

Section IV

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man:

MORGAN E WALKER 20633107, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Battery C, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy from 1 November 1944 to 30 January 1945 in France. Entered the military service from Chandler, Oklahoma.

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Section I

Award of the Purple Heart, Missing in Action

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men, missing in action, for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

JOHN H KOHN 38005437, Infantry, Sergeant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 13 November 1943. Next of kin: Mrs. Marie Anna Kohn (Wife), 4571 Wolff Street, Denver, Colorado.

HOWARD R MC INTYRE 33780064, Infantry, Corporal, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 23 May 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Bessie McIntyre (Mother), 4706 Mansion Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Section II

Award of Two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Purple Heart are awarded to the following enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

JOSEPH M MULLINS 35202814, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 October 1944, and France, 9 January 1945. Home address: Huntington, West Virginia.

Section III

Award of the Purple Heart and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart are awarded to the following enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

EUGENE C YACKEL 37569151, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 29 December 1944, and France, 19 January 1945. Home address: Sanborn, Minnesota.

Section IV

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

WILBERT J HEILMAN 33141470, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 27 December 1944. Home address: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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GEORGE R WHITE 33634416, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 December 1944. Home address: Chatham, Virginia.

So much of General Orders Number 25, Section II, Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart, this headquarters, cs, as pertains to KENNETH W WRIGHT 32945534, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

Section V

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

WILLIE W BARKSDALE 38505077, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 January 1945. Home address: Forrest City, Arkansas.

HERBERT C BOYD 36987262, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 January 1945. Home address: Wayne, Michigan.

MICHAEL P SMIDERSKI 36715591, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 10 December 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

WILLIAM P TURNER 36972841, Infantry, Private, Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 21 January 1945. Home address: East Detroit, Michigan.

JOE O VIDAL 39588762, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 February 1945. Home address: Los Angeles, California.

JOHN E WAGNER 36987076, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 February 1945. Home address: Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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Section I

Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following enlisted man:

JOE C McBEE 34714919, Infantry, Private, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 5 December 1944 near Oberbronn, France. During an attack over difficult terrain an assault company of infantry was subjected to intense flak, artillery and tank fire. Numerous casualties were inflicted and the company became temporarily disorganized. Private McBee, along with two other members of his wire crew, was engaged in laying a line behind the attacking company. He immediately procured his rifle and moved forward through the heavy fire to give support to the disorganized platoons. Although the intense enemy fire forced the riflemen to withdraw, Private McBee remained, firing effectively at the enemy who made repeated efforts to drive him from his position. Private McBee was wounded during this action but he refused evacuation and held his ground until the platoons had been reorganized and were able to continue the attack. Private McBee's courage and devotion to duty were material contributions to the subsequent capture of the company objective and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Winchester, Tennessee.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

HOWARD A PETTY 20837027, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Antitank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 25 October 1944 near Housseras, France. The mine squad of which Sergeant Petty was a member was detailed to sweep a road known to be heavily mined in order that our tanks could continue the advance. The road was under heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire and the known mined sector was covered by cross fire from several enemy machine guns. Sergeant Petty, realizing the hazards facing the whole squad should they all expose themselves, volunteered to sweep the road alone. He crawled out to the road and proceeded to remove the mines as enemy shells burst on all sides of him. He courageously and skillfully continued his work until a path was cleared enabling our tanks to move forward. Sergeant Petty's courageous action materially aided in the success of the regiment. Entered the military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

JOHN PINDAR 33466189, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 November 1944 near St. Remy, France. As Private Pindar's company was advancing up a steep hill the enemy suddenly counterattacked and infiltrating forces surrounded the unit. Realizing the urgent need for ammunition, Private Pindar, on his own initiative, led an ammunition detail through intense mortar and machine gun fire to the company position. It was necessary for him to crawl a large part of the way to escape detection by the enemy, but he succeeded in bringing the much-needed ammunition to his company. Entered the military service from Harwood, Pennsylvania.

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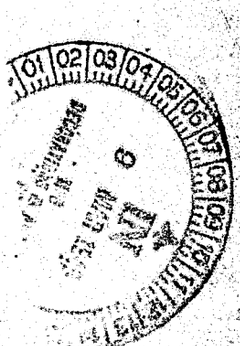

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

JOHN W ALLEN 31283894, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Ashland, Maine.

ROLAND W BALLINGER 01177275, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Battery C, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 11 September 1943 to 15 February 1944 in Italy. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

ROBERT BOWLING JR 35113311, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 6 May 1944 in Sicily and Italy. Entered the military service from Henderson, Kentucky.

WILLIAM R CAIRD 31062762, Infantry, Corporal, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from New London, Connecticut.

WILLIAM H CHAPLIN 36303651, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 September 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Mattoon, Illinois.

CHARLES K FETZER JR 01165849, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Headquarters 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 October 1943 to 29 October 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Morristown, New Jersey.

JOE D GALLEGOS 38006375, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 24 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Arboles, Colorado.

HAROLD K GODDARD 31062556, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Private), Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Webster, Massachusetts.

FREDERICK L McCRACKEN 31002014, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 24 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Attleboro, Massachusetts.

JACOB R SEID 32175319, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

IGNATIUS J TURNES 12057242, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

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LEE W TURNEY 34257430, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 6 May 1944 in Sicily and Italy. Entered the military service from Burlington, North Carolina.

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations, to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

REX CORNISH 38005657, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 24 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Wray, Colorado.

EVERETT D HOFFMAN 31041040, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Service Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 23 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from New Haven, Connecticut.

MELVIN W HIUKKA 37093090, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Service Battery, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, from 30 January 1944 to 29 January 1945 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Cloquet, Minnesota.

ROBERT L KENDALL 0337854, Medical Corps, Captain, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, from 15 August 1944 to 15 January 1945 in France. Entered the military service from Ardmore, Oklahoma.

HOWARD KILPATRICK 0420696, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Service Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, from 15 August 1944 to 10 January 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

CRIS C LEWIS 34130908, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 27 July to 20 December 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Ovett, Mississippi.

MACKEY KENYON 20829476, Infantry, Master Sergeant, Service Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Seminole, Oklahoma.

EDWIN T SILEY 20836810, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 1 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

JOHN C STONE 20827572, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Service Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

WALTER V THOMAS 02055869, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, from 15 August 1944 to 10 January 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

ORVIL WILLIAMS 38016875, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, from December 1943 to December 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Ravia, Oklahoma.

PAUL O DAHLBERG 38005711, Infantry, Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 24 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

JACK V BIRD 38005634, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 24 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Pueblo, Colorado.

RICHARD H DENNIS 36033322, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Lampson, Wisconsin.

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JAMES L ARNOLD 38006498, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Granada, Colorado.

JOSEPH M HENDRICKS 36212108, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Richland Center, Wisconsin.

ARTHUR W STOUT 36034221, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

WOODROW W ROBERTS 38005418, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Harmon, Oklahoma.

NORVAL W BURNS 38005411, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 30 November 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Ordway, Colorado.

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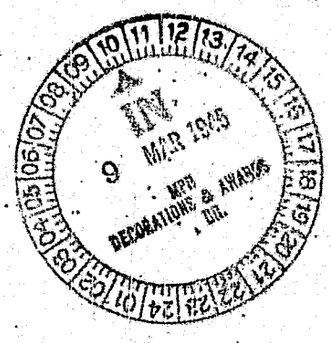

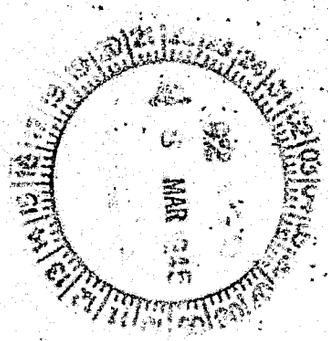

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Section I

Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following officer and each of the following enlisted men:

BRUCE K. BURTON 36104899, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 5 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. Acting as platoon leader Sergeant Burton led the assault platoon of his company toward the crest of a hill defended by a well-entrenched enemy force. Half-way up the slope the unit was temporarily stopped by intense machine gun, rifle and rifle grenade fire. To learn the deployment of the enemy and find routes of approach, Sergeant Burton immediately crawled through the enemy fire to a vantage point more than fifty yards in advance of his platoon. When the order came to continue the attack, Sergeant Burton moved to an exposed position where he could best observe and supervise his platoon's assault and then moved forward with his men, shouting encouragement to them and controlling their fire. Sergeant Burton was fatally wounded in this action, but his courageous and aggressive leadership was a fundamental factor in the subsequent capture of the objective and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Flint, Michigan. Next of kin: Mrs. Kathleen S. Burton (Wife), 121 North Cornuta Street, Bellflower, California.

HENRY C HOLT 34143559, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. Sergeant Holt's company was occupying defensive positions near Wildenguth when the enemy launched a strong attack, with some of the enemy force wearing American uniforms and using American rifles. In the resulting confusion the enemy succeeded in infiltrating and isolated some of the elements of the company. A short time later the platoon leader was wounded and evacuated and the company was ordered to withdraw about seventy-five yards in order to reorganize. Sergeant Holt, however, voluntarily chose to remain behind to cover his platoon's move. Although the enemy was closing in and his position became increasingly dangerous, Sergeant Holt continued to fire at the advancing force, killing five of the enemy and wounding many others before his position was overrun and he was killed by enemy fire. Sergeant Holt's courage and determination gave his platoon time to regroup and repel the enemy thrust and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Surgoinsville, Tennessee. Next of kin: Mrs. Symantha Holt (Mother), Route 1, Surgoinsville, Tennessee.

RUDOLPH F KLARER 0548862, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. As Lieutenant Klarer's platoon was advancing in an attack it encountered intense machine gun and rifle fire and was forced to seek cover. Knowing that the flank of the adjacent company was exposed, Lieutenant Klarer immediately reorganized his platoon and then, moving at the head of his men, boldly led them forward in an assault on the positions held by the enemy one hundred and fifty yards away. With Lieutenant Klarer shouting encouragement to them and closely supervising their fire, the platoon succeeded in overrunning the enemy positions despite the heavy and accurate fire directed at them. Lieutenant Klarer was killed during this action but his gallant leadership inspired his men to continue on until the objective had been secured. Entered the military service from Louisville, Kentucky. Next of kin: Mrs. Rudina B. Klarer (Mother), 106 North Western Parkway, Louisville, Kentucky.

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Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following enlisted man:

PAUL W CAMPBELL 31067902, Infantry, First Sergeant, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 2 December 1944 near Mietesheim, France. As Sergeant Campbell's company was consolidating its position and preparing for an attack on its final objective, the company commander was seriously wounded by enemy machine gun fire. Sergeant Campbell unhesitatingly left his slit trench and ran across one hundred yards of exposed terrain covered by the enemy machine gun fire to administer aid to his commander. Although the enemy simultaneously laid down a heavy concentration of mortar fire on the company positions, Sergeant Campbell remained in spite of the heavy fire, administered aid and then with the help of another soldier, carried the wounded officer through the enemy fire to safety. Once the officer had been provided for, Sergeant Campbell led the company in an infiltration movement toward the objective, securing a strategic position and consolidating it before an officer arrived to assume command. Sergeant Campbell's courage and initiative were fundamental factors in the success of the company attack and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Dorchester, Massachusetts.

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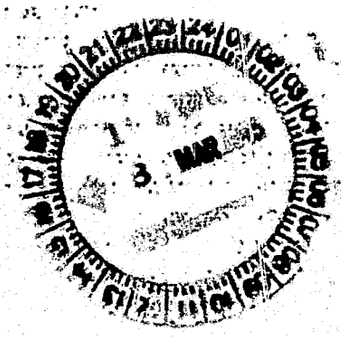

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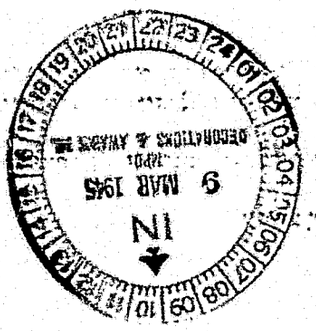

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

JOSEPH Z BARRIEAU 31062822, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 November 1944 near St. Remy, France. Private Barrieau's company received a heavy counterattack and infiltrating enemy forces succeeded in cutting off the company from the rest of the battalion. Private Barrieau, then in the rear procuring ammunition, realized that the company was endangered and with four other men determined to break through to the company position. Armed only with pistols, Private Barrieau and his comrades crawled up on the enemy machine guns, killed the gunners and employed the enemy weapons against the infiltrating force. The sound of the enemy weapons they were using drew friendly fire as well as that of the enemy, but after fighting determinedly for more than two hours Private Barrieau and his comrades achieved a breakthrough to their isolated company. Entered the military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

WILLIAM H BUCK JR 31068176, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 7 November 1944 near St. Remy, France. When an enemy force infiltrated and established a line of fire which separated his company from the rest of the battalion, Sergeant Buck led his supply detail in carrying much-needed ammunition and rations to the isolated company. On one trip, Sergeant Buck was caught in an enemy attack but he quickly organized his supply detail and directed them in repulsing the enemy attack. He then rendered first aid to the wounded members of his squad and assisted in their prompt evacuation. Entered the military service from Attleboro, Massachusetts.

JAMES H COOK JR 025296, Infantry, Captain, Headquarters First Battalion (then Company I), 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 February 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. On 16 February the enemy launched a strong attack against positions occupied by Captain Cook's company. Throughout the day Captain Cook's company received a series of assaults by enemy infantry and armor, supported by h[illegible] artillery fire. Captain Cook remained with his forward elements throughou[illegible] attack. He made frequent reconnaissance, forward of his platoons and u[illegible] mortar and small arms fire, to determine the strength and disposition of the enemy and he constantly moved through the company area, encouraging his men and directing their fire. When ordered to occupy alternate positions, Captain Cook, despite the continuous small arms, mortar and tank fire, personally supervised the deployment of each of his platoons. Captain Cook's courageous and skillful leadership enabled his company to withstand the severe enemy attacks and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Knoxville, Tennessee.

JOE D HELMS 33634295, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 2 November 1944 near St. Remy, France. During an attack by his company on fortified enemy positions, Private Helms made numerous trips over a route constantly interdicted by enemy artillery fire to carry much-needed ammunition to his unit. After the company left the line of departure it encountered strong resistance and more ammunition was required. Although the road over which he was forced to travel was subjected to a heavy concentration of fire and was mined on both sides, Private Helms succeeded in driving through the enemy fire to the company position, aiding materially in the subsequent capture of the objective. Entered the military service from Richmond, Virginia.

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WALTER D HUGHES 15121548, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action from 15 to 21 February 1944 near Aprilia, Italy. During the enemy's determined efforts to dislodge the force defending the Anzio Beachhead, many attacks were launched against positions occupied by Private Hughes' battalion. Despite the enemy artillery, tank and small arms fire falling in the area, Private Hughes remained at his observation post, providing his battalion with important information concerning the enemy. During one of the attacks the enemy infantry succeeded in infiltrating to within twenty five yards of his observation post but Private Hughes held his ground, observing and reporting the enemy movements to battalion headquarters. Entered the military service from Portsmouth, Ohio.

FLOYD D MEADOWS 34506596, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 October 1944 near Housseras, France. After a heavy enemy artillery barrage, Private Meadows, a member of the Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon, voluntarily led a litter squad of four men across areas under heavy machine gun and sniper fire to a position where several seriously wounded men lay. Skillfully directing his squad's movement, he organized his men and promptly evacuated the wounded through the enemy fire to the battalion aid station. Entered the military service from Greenbrier, Tennessee.

JOSE A MEDINA 38005247, Medical Department, Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action from 5 to 7 December 1943 near Venafro, Italy. Technician Medina was in charge of a litter squad evacuating wounded from the battle positions in the mountains. All wounded had to be evacuated by hand-carry over a steep, ice-covered mountain trail which required a six-hour trip from the battlefield to the aid station. In spite of cold, rain and enemy interdiction of the evacuation trail, Technician Medina worked continuously for a period of thirty-six hours in order to evacuate the wounded of his unit. The determination, courage and leadership demonstrated by Technician Medina during this difficult operation reflect credit upon himself and his unit. Entered the military service from La Jara, Colorado.

CHARLES J SHOEMAKER JR 01314964, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company L (then Company K), 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Wingen, France. Lieutenant Shoemaker's company held a position overlooking an important road junction. In an attempt to dislodge the company and cut its supply route, the enemy launched a series of strong attacks, employing heavy concentrations of mortar and artillery fire to precede and support his assault. During these attacks, Lieutenant Shoemaker, the company executive officer, moved constantly through the company area despite the intense enemy fire, assisting in organizing the positions, checking the deployment of the men, supervising their fire and aiding the defense wherever possible. The attacks lasted for sixteen hours, but the enemy force was finally repulsed after having suffered heavy losses. Lieutenant Shoemaker's courageous and aggressive leadership was a fundamental factor in the successful defense of the position and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

KENNETH O WOOTEN 34678305, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 5 November 1944 near St. Remy, France. During a heavy enemy artillery and mortar barrage, communications between Private Wooten's platoon and the company command post were severed. On his own initiative, Private Wooten crawled into the shelled area and successfully repaired the wire, restoring the vitally needed communications to his unit. Private Wooten's initiative and courage aided materially in the success of his company during this period. Entered the military service from Vass, North Carolina.

JOHN H YOUNG 38324802, Infantry, Corporal, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 November 1944 near Etival, France. Corporal Young's company received a strong counterattack and in the heavy fighting that followed the numerically superior enemy force infiltrated and succeeded

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in surrounding the company. The first platoon, of which Corporal Young was an assistant squad leader, was ordered to fight a delaying action while the remainder of the company fought out of the trap and moved to other positions. When four enemy soldiers attempted to dislodge Corporal Young from his position with hand grenades, Corporal Young, armed only with a rifle, stopped their attempt to break through. He succeeded in killing one enemy soldier and forced the remaining three to withdraw. Corporal Young was the last man to leave the position when the platoon withdrew under orders. Entered the military service from Yonkers, Oklahoma.

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

STANLEY A ALDRICH 37546239, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 September 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Roseau, Minnesota.

JOSEPH D ANDERSON 0308349, Field Artillery, Captain, Headquarters 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 22 September 1944 to 24 January 1945 in France. Entered the military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

JAMES F BANKS 20827893, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Wagoner, Oklahoma.

HENRY HART 01175156, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 22 February 1944 to 6 February 1945 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Mason City, Iowa.

ALOYSIUS F KAZARNOWICZ 33313566, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH F LACKNER 37176517, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Duluth, Minnesota.

ALVIE McCOLLISTER 20838172, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from La Junta, Colorado.

RUDOLPH E MESSE 33170169, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

FRANCIS J NAWARA 37176283, Infantry, Corporal, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

CALVIN I PEARSON 35168947, Field Artillery, Corporal, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 September 1943 to 1 January 1945 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Jonesboro, Indiana.

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Section I

Award of the Purple Heart and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart are awarded to the following enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

REED E TANKERSLEY 34084145, Infantry, Corporal, Antitank Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 September 1944, and France, 13 October 1944. Home address: Ellijay, Georgia.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

DEWEY AKERS 15043830, Infantry, Sergeant, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 January 1945. Home address: Dana, Kentucky.

BENJAMIN L BLISSETT 36518533, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 23 September 1943. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

WILLIAM CRAPORT 35878450, Infantry, Corporal, Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 October 1944. Home address: Dayton, Ohio.

FRANCIS FEDERINKO 33766010, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 31 October 1944. Home address: Clymer, Pennsylvania.

CARL H KNUTH 36733740, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Crystal Lake, Illinois.

WILLIAM PETTIS 34788396, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 13 January 1945. Home address: Tallahassee, Florida.

RALPH RAMOS JR 32656154, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 September 1944. Home address: Bronx, New York.

NICHOLAS ROCANELLI 32683377, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 October 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

Section III

Award of the Purple Heart, Missing in Action

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following enlisted man, missing in action, for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

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JAMES W DALLAS 18018928, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 November 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Vivian Dallas (Wife), Box 517, Tulia, Texas.

Section IV

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

CLYDE E CREW 35235185, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 24 December 1944. Home address: Salem, Ohio.

JAMES M GRAY 35030130, Infantry, Private, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 10 January 1945. Home address: Weatherford, Texas.

FRANK J HEIM JR 32931690, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 October 1944. Home address: South Wales, New York.

ELI E HILL 02005955, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 7 February 1945. Home address: Jackson, Wyoming.

JOE HUPKA 35025121, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Battery B, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, Italy, 29 April 1944. Home address: Dillonvale, Ohio.

ELLA V MOORE 15040720, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 13 January 1945. Home address: Clin, Kentucky.

BASIL B NAPIER 35657377, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Kiahsville, West Virginia.

LESTER E NELSON 39429190, Infantry, Private, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 20 January 1945. Home address: Payette, Idaho.

LOWELL T NERGE 37578567, Infantry, Private, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 5 October 1944. Home address: Madison, Minnesota.

LEDUS A OWEN 34819570, Infantry, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 January 1945. Home address: Heflin, Alabama.

GUY C PANELIA 01317662, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 9 September 1944. Home address: Akron, Ohio.

CHARLES V PELLETIER 31400393, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 January 1945. Home address: Bridgton, Maine.

LEO PHELPS 38694795, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 January 1945. Home address: Bulko, Oklahoma.

CHARLES R PUCKETT 34517562, Infantry, Private, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 16 October 1943. Home address: Slater, South Carolina.

GORDON C SAVAGE 20838382, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 February 1945. Home address: Boulder, Colorado.

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ROY F SMITH 39211055, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 21 December 1944. Home address: Neah Bay, Washington.

EWART G SULLIVAN 20838187, Infantry, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 2 January 1945. Home address: Lamar, Colorado.

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Section I

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations, is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

DONALD CORNELISON 20838094, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Manzanola, Colorado.

MERLE T DAVIDSON 37519237, Ordnance Department, Technician Fifth Grade, 700th Ordnance Light Maintenance Company, from 19 to 31 January 1945 in France. Entered the military service from Blue Mound, Kansas.

EDWIN W GEARHART 32194188, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Staten Island, New York.

LOUIS S HADLEY 31062229, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Lynn, Massachusetts.

WILLIAM B JONES 20838091, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Manzanola, Colorado.

WILLIAM C OLIVER 38017217, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Service Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Roosevelt, Oklahoma.

LE ROY L OWENS 20838743, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Fort Collins, Colorado.

LLOYD R POWELL 20838554, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Longmont, Colorado.

Section II

Award of the Air Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man:

HARRY C PRICE 34114110, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy from 26 October 1944 to 16 January 1945 in France. Entered the military service from Elkin, North Carolina.

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Award of the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque

Under the provisions of War Department Circular Number 345, 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the following-named organization. Individuals assigned or attached to this unit are entitled to wear the Meritorious Service Unit Insignia only so long as they remain assigned or attached.

SERVICE COMPANY, 191ST TANK BATTALION, for outstanding devotion to duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks from 15 August 1944 to 8 November 1944 in France. During the rapid advance of the battalion from the beaches of Southern France to the foothills of the Vosges Mountains, this company, initially with less than half of its normal number of cargo trucks, maintained an adequate flow of supplies to all elements of the battalion, which were often widely separated in the Division Sector. The company frequently found it necessary to transport vital supplies from dumps over one hundred and fifty miles away and the trucks were in almost continuous operation, but the vehicles were always in superior mechanical condition and no motor vehicle accidents occurred. In spite of the great distances covered, the company maintained the tanks in condition at all times to complete their combat missions, even, as in several instances, after road marches of over one hundred miles. Although it was particularly difficult to obtain spare parts for the tanks and there was a shortage of maintenance equipment and personnel within the company during the early part of the period, the men of the Service Company, by their initiative and diligence, were responsible for keeping a maximum number of tanks operationally fit throughout the period. The administrative functions were also carried out with exceptional efficiency. The technical skill, the ability and the devotion to duty displayed by the men of this company in the face of heavy difficulties played a vital role in keeping the 191st Tank Battalion in a high state of combat efficiency and reflect credit upon the men and their organization.

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Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

LLOYD J HARRIS 35760180, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 5 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. During an attack upon a well-defended hill, Sergeant Harris' platoon leader was killed when the platoon encountered heavy enemy fire. Promptly assuming command, Sergeant Harris, in order to reorganize the platoon, began to move among his men despite the artillery and machine gun fire directed at the area. Expertly deploying them and directing their fire, shouting encouragement as he led them forward, Sergeant Harris led his men boldly in an assault which overran the enemy position. The enemy made repeated attempts to retake the lost ground, but Sergeant Harris skillfully directed his platoon in repulsing these attacks, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy. Sergeant Harris' courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Quinwood, West Virginia.

LEO J ROGERS 20829511, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. Sergeant Rogers' platoon, after an intense fire fight, broke through a line of enemy dugouts near Grandvillers. Sergeant Rogers aided materially in routing the enemy from the trenches and in killing and capturing a number of the opposing force. When the platoon attempted to clear the flanks of the enemy line, however, it encountered heavy fire, and with its ammunition nearly exhausted was forced to pull back. Observing that one man lay seriously wounded in an exposed position and was unable to withdraw, Sergeant Rogers began to work his way towards the soldier. Although the enemy attempted to stop him, and his comrades were unable to provide effective covering fire, Sergeant Rogers by firing as he moved and crawling most of the way succeeded in reaching the wounded man. Placing the soldier on his back, Sergeant Rogers then crawled across more than one hundred fifty yards of terrain exposed to the enemy fire to bring the wounded man to safety. Sergeant Rogers' courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Porum, Oklahoma.

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Section I

Award of Two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Purple Heart are awarded to the following enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

LESTER M HARRIS 33535707, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 24 September 1944, and France, 2 January 1945. Home address: Martinsville, Virginia.

Section II

Award of the Purple Heart and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart are awarded to the following enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

RICHARD J WEBER 33826755, Infantry, Corporal, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 19 August 1944, and France, 22 September 1944. Home address: Reading, Pennsylvania.

Section III

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following officer and to the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

JOHN B FRIEDRICH 36859262, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 October 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

KENNETH J IRVING 01322748, Infantry, Captain, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 October 1944. Home address: Auburn, New York.

GEORGE A SWANDROW JR 39204679, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 February 1945. Home address: Tacoma, Washington.

Section IV

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

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MIKE J BALAS 35924697, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 January 1945. Home address: Deerfield, Ohio.

VANCIE S BOOTS 36900836, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 February 1945. Home address: Zeigler, Illinois.

HUMPHREY P BRENNAN 11019161, Infantry, Private, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 10 January 1945. Home address: Norwich, Connecticut.

CLINNON BROWN 35775324, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 October 1944. Home address: High Hat, Kentucky.

WILFRED DELONGCHAMP 6930542, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 October 1944. Home address: Champion, Michigan.

RALPH W FINK 33618273, Infantry, Corporal, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 September 1944. Home address: Kutztown, Pennsylvania.

HAROLD V FRANCE 34921626, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 19 October 1944. Home address: Cottage Grove, Tennessee.

CARL A GAJEWSKI 42091591, Infantry, Private, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 January 1945. Home address: Cheektowaga, New York.

FRANK C HEGLER 34773811, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 6 March 1944. Home address: Erlanger, North Carolina.

MICHAEL P KOLISNYK 12034119, Infantry, Private, Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 13 September 1943. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

ALBERT LITTMAN 32207389, Infantry, Private, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 15 October 1943. Home address: Bronx, New York.

STEVEN G KOCHIS 35400767, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 9 December 1944. Home address: Glouster, Ohio.

LEON MARKMAN 12221385, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 August 1944. Home address: New York, New York.

MALCOLM B MC CLURE 36898065, Medical Department, Private, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 30 November 1944. Home address: Flint, Michigan.

GUY A MICELE 36974523, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 10 January 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

CAROL W MILLER 37695805, Infantry, Sergeant, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 January 1945. Home address: Newton, Iowa.

ROBERT B MYERS 13068100, Infantry, Sergeant, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 25 November 1943. Home address: Mountaindale, Pennsylvania.

DELBERT C NUGENT 38657400, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 27 December 1944. Home address: Pollock, Louisiana.

HERMAN PERETZ 42141002, Infantry, Private, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 February 1945. Home address: Jersey City, New Jersey.

ORVAL F PRESTAGE 37606460, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 January 1945. Home address: Tallapoosa, Missouri.

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JOHN L ROBERTS 34890198, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 October 1944. Home address: Shelby, North Carolina.

FRANCIS C SATCHELL 33898870, Infantry, Corporal, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 23 September 1944. Home address: Easton, Maryland.

WILLIAM A THAUTE 31007188, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 2 June 1944. Home address: Holyoke, Massachusetts.

CHARLES A TOBY 38071894, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 11 January 1945. Home address: Jal, New Mexico.

AUSTIN D WINKLER 35234653, Infantry, Sergeant, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 11 January 1945. Home address: Munroe Falls, Ohio.

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NUMBER 69

Award of the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque

Under the provisions of War Department Circular Number 345, 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the following-named organization. Individuals assigned or attached to this unit are entitled to wear the Meritorious Service Unit Insignia only so long as they remain assigned or attached:

SERVICE BATTERY, 158TH FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION, for superior performance of difficult tasks from 15 August 1944 to 31 January 1945 in France. During this period the Service Battery has maintained a constant flow of supplies to the other units of the battalion despite the handicaps of distance, weather and terrain. From the time of the landing on 15 August 1944 to the crossing of the Meurthe River, the rapidity of movement necessitated extremely long trips for rations and ammunition with a resultant loss of time for the upkeep of vehicles and rest for the men, yet the battery fulfilled its assignment with the maximum of efficiency, working long hours to maintain vehicles in working order and sacrificing their own comfort and rest to insure the prompt delivery of supplies and repair of equipment. During this time the ammunition dumps were distant from the unit, so that trips of one hundred to three hundred miles were frequently necessary, but the battery maintained the required level of ammunition at all times in addition to furnishing vehicles for the shuttling of infantry. As the stiffening enemy resistance slowed the advance, it was necessary to use several officers in other capacities; however, the enlisted men responded to their additional responsibility with a cheerful enthusiasm which assured the continued efficient performance of their duties. The battery has achieved a high standard of discipline and military courtesy, as displayed by the appearance of the installations and the state of the equipment, and the enthusiastic execution of orders under the most trying of conditions, the battery has exhibited an efficiency of performance which reflects credit upon its officers and men.

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SERVICE BATTERY, 160TH FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION, for superior performance of difficult tasks during the period 15 August 1944 to 31 January 1945 in France. This organization performed not only its normal duties in a superior manner, but also performed many special services that have contributed materially to the comfort, welfare and morale of the battalion troops. Despite long ammunition supply lines, the members of Service Battery maintained transportation, supply and administrative services without delays or interruptions. Although the demands of the fast-moving French campaign were great, through the diligence and skill of the men of the battery, accidents and mechanical failures were held to a minimum. To meet the demands of terrain and weather, the battery improvised and constructed additional equipment, including electric welders and light and heating units. Throughout the period, the personnel of the organization achieved a high standard of military courtesy. The appearance of all installations and quarters has been a source of pride in the battery and the enthusiastic execution of orders is amply demonstrated by the superior manner in which all work has been performed and the number and variety of the battery's accomplishments.

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SERVICE BATTERY, 171ST FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION, for superior performance of exceptionally difficult tasks and maintenance of a high standard of discipline during the period from 15 August 1944 to 31 January 1945 in France. This organization not only fulfilled its normal missions in a superior manner and in face of unusual hardships but also performed many special services which contributed materially to the comfort, welfare and morale of other units of the battalion. In spite of the long lines of communication, the excessive amounts of ammunition and other supplies required by the drive from the beaches of Southern France to the border of Germany, the battery maintained its transportation, supplies and administration services without delays or interruptions. Throughout the long period of an extremely arduous campaign the personnel of the battery maintained an unblemished conduct record. The superior performance of the unit during this period reflects credit upon each individual of the Service Battery.

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Award of the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque

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SERVICE BATTERY, 189TH FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION, for outstanding devotion to duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks, from 15 August 1944 to 31 January 1945 in France. Although distribution points were left far behind in the rapid advance of the 189th Field Artillery Battalion through Southern France, roads were difficult, and the demands for ammunition and fuel heavy, Service Battery maintained an adequate flow of supplies to all units of the battalion at all times. Despite limited facilities, the men of the battery, by improvising and constructing tools and parts, using their ingenuity to extricate and salvage damaged trucks, trailers and howitzers, provided the battalion with a maximum of operationally fit vehicles and guns. When critical items seemed unobtainable, the men often made long and hazardous trips to procure the needed supplies. To deal with the dangers of icy roads, the battery welded and installed cleats on the treads of its tractors. Standards of morale and discipline have been high, and throughout the campaign in France the members of Service Battery have displayed an efficiency and initiative which were significant contributions to the successful operations of the 189th Field Artillery Battalion and reflect credit upon the men and their organization.

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Section I

Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded posthumously to each of the following officers and the following enlisted man:

CLINTON P KOLOSKI 36829179, Corps of Engineers, Private First Class, Company A, 36th Engineer Combat Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 January 1945 near Obermuhlthal, France. While on reconnaissance, Private Koloski's patrol encountered another friendly patrol which had suffered two serious casualties from enemy small arms fire. Although the wounded men lay in an area offering little concealment or cover and enemy positions were no more than one hundred yards away, Private Koloski worked his way forward under intense rifle fire directed at him, reached one of the wounded men, rendered first aid and helped him to a position from which he could be evacuated. Private Koloski's courage and concern for his fellow soldiers reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Black River Falls, Wisconsin. Next of kin: Mrs. Anna Koloski (Mother), City Point, Wisconsin.

CARL F PAHLER 01303018, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 5 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. As Lieutenant Pahler's company was attacking up the slope of a hill, the assault platoon encountered strong resistance from dug-in enemy positions. Lieutenant Pahler moved forward under the enemy fire to observe the enemy deployment. Quickly analyzing the situation, he maneuvered one platoon to the flank and then, in spite of the enemy fire, began to move among his men to reorganize the company in preparation for a coordinated attack on the enemy defenses. Placing himself at the head of his men, Lieutenant Pahler led the company forward in the assault. He was fatally wounded in this attack, but his men, inspired by his bold and courageous leadership, went on to drive the enemy soldiers from their foxholes and gain possession of the strategic terrain. Entered the military service from Sugar Notch, Pennsylvania. Next of kin: Mrs. Selina Pahler (Wife), 210 Walnut Street, Sugar Notch, Pennsylvania.

JO B SEDBERRY III 0391876, Infantry, Captain, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 December 1944 near Froeschwiller, France. After he had led his forward elements in a successful attack on high ground held by the enemy, Captain Sedberry was making a personal reconnaissance under fire to prepare for the next assault when the enemy laid a concentration of fire from self-propelled guns on positions occupied by his company. Captain Sedberry moved among his men, insuring their safety and checking to see that covered, alternate positions had been chosen. An enemy shell exploded near his command post, wounding Captain Sedberry and several others. When an aid man arrived, Captain Sedberry ordered him to treat the other wounded soldiers first. He died before he could receive medical attention himself, but his courage and devotion to his men were an inspiration to the members of his company. Entered the military service from Macon, Georgia. Next of kin: Mrs. Helen S. Sedberry (Wife), Route 5, Twin Pines Drive, Macon, Georgia.

Section II

Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following officer and each of the following enlisted men:

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JAMES J CARRANO 31052251, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. Sergeant Carrano's heavy machine gun section was supporting a rifle company in its attack on a well-fortified hill position. As the infantrymen approached the crest, the enemy launched a strong counterattack, employing machine gun, small arms and rifle grenade fire which forced the company to take cover. Sergeant Carrano immediately led his section through the intense fire to new positions from which they could bring more effective fire to bear upon the attacking enemy force. He then continued to move from squad to squad, controlling the fire of his men and shouting encouragement to them. When one of his crews was knocked out of action and the enemy threatened to infiltrate in that sector, Sergeant Carrano quickly picked up the machine gun and, firing while standing in an exposed position, dispersed the enemy and averted the threat to his unit. Sergeant Carrano's courageous and aggressive leadership was a significant contribution to the success of the attack and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Bridgeport, Connecticut.

FRED R MARTIN 36704834, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 2 October 1944 near Fremifontaine, France. Private Martin, armed with a carbine, was assigned to cover a machine gun which was protecting the right flank of his platoon. Taking advantage of the thick woods surrounding the emplacement, an enemy patrol approached unobserved to within close range of the gun position and with a sudden burst of fire wounded the gunner, leaving Private Martin alone to engaged the group of enemy soldiers. Firing rapidly and accurately, Private Martin employed a captured enemy rifle after he had exhausted his supply of carbine ammunition. When the enemy weapon ceased to function, he ran to the machine gun and delivered such effective fire that the enemy patrol was forced to withdraw. Private Martin's skill and courage reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Bradley, Illinois.

WILLIAM M PHILLIPS 7071303, Infantry, Sergeant, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 January 1945 near Wimmenau, France. Ordered to furnish flank protection for another platoon in an attack on enemy positions, Sergeant Phillips led two squads toward the objective. When the group encountered heavy machine gun and sniper fire, Sergeant Phillips ordered his men to take cover while he edged forward to determine the disposition of the enemy force. Crawling up on the enemy position in spite of the fire directed at him, Sergeant Phillips, with a grenade and rifle fire, wounded two of the enemy and forced five others to surrender. Returning to his section, Sergeant Phillips continued to advance until another enemy force began to harass his men with small arms fire. Deploying the squads, Sergeant Phillips directed their fire on the area and then crawled ahead to engage the enemy. In the intense exchange of rifle fire that followed, Sergeant Phillips succeeded in wounding one enemy soldier and so disorganized the remainder that four others surrendered. Sergeant Phillips' courageous and aggressive leadership was a major contribution to the platoon's successful attack and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Salt Point, New York.

MAHLON H PICTON 01998086, Corps of Engineers, Second Lieutenant, Company D, 36th Engineer Combat Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 January 1945 near Climbach, France. Lieutenant Picton led a patrol into Climbach with the mission of determining the strength of enemy forces in the town. When he could not gain the required information from an observation point, Lieutenant Picton ordered four men to accompany him into the village while the others remained behind to provide covering fire. After clearing several houses, the patrol learned from civilians that there were at least thirty enemy in the town. Lieutenant Picton determined to confirm this report and engaged the enemy although he believed his patrol to be outnumbered. A villager warned the enemy group, which began to move through the town, but Lieutenant Picton and his men rushed to cut them off. Meeting them suddenly, Lieutenant Picton opened fire and with the added support of the other members of the patrol killed five, wounded several others and then forced the enemy to withdraw from the town. Lieutenant Picton's courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Sunbury, Pennsylvania.

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JOSEPH M WYNNE 12058935, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 December 1944 near Mertzwiller, France. Throughout a day of intense fighting, Sergeant Wynne's courageous and aggressive leadership did much to insure the success of his company's operations. Sergeant Wynne learned early in the morning that an enemy force had infiltrated and gained control of a footbridge across the river separating his company from the remainder of the battalion. He organized the headquarters personnel and engaged the enemy patrol in a fire fight, forcing them to withdraw and restoring contact. The enemy then laid a heavy concentration of artillery and mortar fire on the area, severing communications between the company command post and its platoons. While checking the platoon positions, Sergeant Wynne was wounded in the hand, but he continued to move through the company area, reestablishing communications by stringing combat wire as he moved. In the hours that followed, Sergeant Wynne made ten trips across the river under heavy shell fire, bringing much-needed ammunition and supplies to the forward elements which enabled them to repulse a series of enemy assaults. When the enemy launched a powerful attack late in the day, supported by armor, and the company withdrew across the river in face of the intense fire, Sergeant Wynne helped to organize the defenses and then recrossed the river to lead nine men who had been left behind through the enemy fire to the new positions. Entered the military service from Mineola, New York.

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Section I

Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following enlisted man:

CONRAD V LABBE JR 31220553, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 31 May to 4 June 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. During an important attack on enemy positions, the supply of ammunition for Private Labbe's machine gun section was nearly exhausted. Temporarily on duty in a rear area because of a foot injury, Private Labbe, in spite of his handicap, worked his way across open terrain under intense artillery and small arms fire to carry ammunition to the hard-pressed gunners. With Private Labbe continuing his courageous efforts throughout the four days that followed, the machine guns were able to provide effective supporting fire for the assault riflemen and the company objectives were taken. Private Labbe's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Lewiston, Maine. Next of kin: Mr. Conrad V. Labbe, Sr. (Father), 73 Androscoggin Avenue, Lewiston, Maine.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Missing in Action

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer, missing in action:

DAVID W HAYES JR 01110548, Corps of Engineers, First Lieutenant, Company C, 36th Engineer Combat Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945 near Baerenthal, France. Lieutenant Hayes' platoon was ordered to seize a steep hill occupied in force by the enemy. Although it was the first time his platoon had been used in offensive action, Lieutenant Hayes boldly led his men in a frontal assault on the enemy positions. The enemy met the attack with intense mortar and small arms fire, but Lieutenant Hayes' courage and aggressiveness forced the enemy to concentrate its fire on the platoon for a sufficient time to allow another company to outflank and secure the objective. Lieutenant Hayes' gallantry reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Rochester, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Helen Roberts (Sister), 407 North Cort Street, Ottumwa, Iowa.

Section III

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and enlisted man:

MARK M BOATNER JR 012050, Corps of Engineers, Colonel, Headquarters 36th Engineer Combat Regiment, for meritorious achievement in combat from 1 January to 7 February 1945 in France and Germany. During this period Colonel Boatner commanded his regiment in three reliefs and two withdrawals which included considerable demolition. These operations were accomplished during the hours of darkness under hazardous winter conditions, slippery roads, deep snows, and ex-

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tremely cold climate as well as enemy pressure which permitted only the briefest reconnaissance. Colonel Boatner's keen foresight and superior judgment was demonstrated by the successful completion of all demolitions and operations with the highest degree of efficiency. After establishing a defensive position, Colonel Boatner initiated an aggressive patrol program and three limited objective attacks which succeeded in diverting the enemy main attack and assisted greatly in the successful repulse of the enemy. Entered the United States Military Academy from Louisiana.

LIONEL J HARRINGTON 42024119, Infantry, Technicial Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. As the company his machine gun section was supporting was consolidating its positions, the enemy launched a strong counterattack and Sergeant Harrington's section leader was seriouby wounded. Taking command under heavy machine gun and rifle fire, Sergeant Harrington expertly directed the fire of his section, exposing himself to the enemy fire in order to gain maximum observation and control. Assembling several riflemen who were cut off from their squads, Sergeant Harrington deployed them, coordinated their fire with that of his guns, and led the group in inflicting many casualties on the enemy, and eventually stopping the counterattack. After the enemy threat had been averted, Sergeant Harrington worked his way through the enemy fire to report the situation to the company command post and guided litter bearers to the wounded section leader. Sergeant Harrington's courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Oswego, New York.

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Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following enlisted man:

JOHN A HARRISON 33745817, Infantry, Corporal, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 22 July 1944 to 17 January 1945 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from McKeesport, Pennsylvania. Next of kin: Mrs. Euen J. Harrison (Wife), Grand View Avenue, McKeesport, Pennsylvania.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

ELMER L ADAMS 20832309, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 6 June 1944 in Sicily and Italy. Entered the military service from McAlester, Oklahoma.

CHARLES R BANKSTON 20831893, Field Artillery, Master Sergeant, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 6 February 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Holdenville, Oklahoma.

DOMINIC J BARBALINARDO 32194316, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 18 February 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN BODAK 35169172, Field Artillery, Corporal, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 September 1943 to 5 December 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Gary, Indiana.

BARNARD BORNSTEIN 01822230, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Reconnaissance Company, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from [illegible] May 1944 to 14 February 1945 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Malden, Massachusetts.

DAVID BRUNO 01289383, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 February to 31 December 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Norristown, Pennsylvania.

WAYNE W CROMBIE 38017734, Field Artillery, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 6 February 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

EMMA J. DILLINGHAM 20839145, Infantry, Sergeant, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 15 January 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Fort Morgan, Colorado.

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JOHN T KUNN 20832295, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 6 June 1944 in Sicily and Italy. Entered the military service from McAlester, Oklahoma.

CONSTANTINOS T ECONOMOU 31263518, Infantry, Private First Class, Cannon Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 February to 31 December 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Lowell, Massachusetts.

HERBERT J FOURT 01179070, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Headquarters 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 February 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,

CHARLES J GLOWCZENSKI 6906315, Infantry, First Sergeant, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 February to 31 December 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Sag Harbor, New York.

CLYDE E HARRIS 34078365, Infantry, Sergeant, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 February to 31 December 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Delhi, Louisiana.

WILLIAM J HERK 33698494, Infantry, Corporal, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from March 1944 to January 1945 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Donora, Pennsylvania.

CHESTER JAMES 0238078, Infantry, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 February 1944 to 10 February 1945 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Craig, Colorado.

CHARLES W KINGANNON 38017887, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 6 June 1944 in Sicily and Italy. Entered the military service from Miami, Oklahoma.

LLOYD N LADD 20839320, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 March 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Brush, Colorado.

CECIL H MORRIS 35208339, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Clarksburg, West Virginia.

WILLIAM J O'BRIEN 0388576, Field Artillery, Captain, Headquarters 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 8 December 1943 to 1 February 1945 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JAY E ROSEBERRY 20846095, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July to 24 September 1943 in Sicily and Italy. Entered the military service from Pima, Arizona.

LAVERNE W ROUNDS 38006158, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 31 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

HARPER K SANDERS JR 0415469, Infantry, Captain, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 22 February to 6 June 1944 in Italy. Entered the military service from Roxboro, North Carolina.

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JAMES W STINNETTE 33089651, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 20 January 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lynchburg, Virginia.

LOREN L STROHMEYER 38006620, Infantry, Corporal, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 20 January 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Salida, Colorado.

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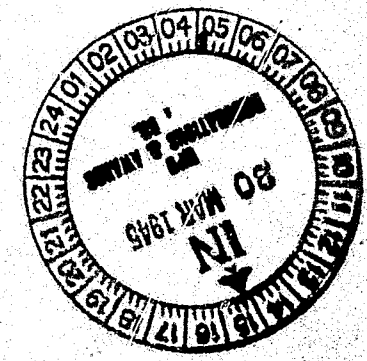

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Commendation of Unit

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55 the following unit is commended:

COMPANY I, 180TH INFANTRY REGIMENT, for exceptionally meritorious performance of important duty on 23 - 24 September 1944 at Epinal, France. On the afternoon of 23 September 1944, Company I was ordered to cross the Moselle River over a blown bridge and secure high ground dominating the vital communications center of Epinal, France. Utilizing ladders to climb over the collapsed portion of the span, Company I secured a bridgehead despite intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire. Encountering numerous enemy snipers, outposts and patrols, the company advanced aggressively to its objective. When at daybreak the unit was counterattacked by two companies of enemy infantry, the members of Company I, though forced to defend from exposed positions, determinedly held their ground and forced the enemy to withdraw with the loss of forty dead and thirty-five prisoners. The resourcefulness, determination and fighting spirit displayed by Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, were largely responsible for the securing of an important communications center and reflect credit upon the members of this company and the Army of the United States.

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Section I

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

CHARLES A BEAVER 37658610, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 29 September 1944. Home address: Harvey, Iowa.

ROBERT E CAMPBELL 34150856, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 4 November 1943. Home address: Greenwell Springs, Louisiana.

ROY E DEHART 38016175, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 January 1945. Home address: Wilburton, Oklahoma.

ASA V KEMP 33132376, Infantry, Sergeant, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 January 1945. Home address: Jeffress, Virginia.

CHARLES B OSBORNE 11132637, Medical Department, Private, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 September 1944. Home address: Topsfield, Massachusetts.

ANDREW J ST DENIS 31462253 Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 3 February 1945. Home address: Somerville, Massachusetts.

JOHN F SOBOCINSKI 33678131, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 2 December 1944. Home address: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

ALFRED WEEKLEY 34980740, Infantry, Private, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 29 January 1945. Home address: Tallahassee, Florida.

Section II

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

ROBERT E ALLEN JR 33685621, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 2 September 1944. Home address: Elizabeth, Pennsylvania.

PHILIP H BROWN 33147324, Infantry, Sergeant, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 October 1944. Home address: Bethel, Pennsylvania.

JULIO CASIAS 18120147, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 October 1944. Home address: Tierra Amarilla, New Mexico.

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JOHN H GERMEYER 33061018, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 October 1944. Home address: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

HAYDEN J HARPER 01031562, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 26 September 1944. Home address: Markham, Texas.

JACK P HODGES 20835114, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 September 1944. Home address: Pawhuska, Oklahoma.

PAUL J HIGHFILL 20827983, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 3 June 1944. Home address: Abilene, Texas.

McCLELLAN F HISEL JR 37149195, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 19 August 1944. Home address: Centerville, South Dakota.

JOSEPH F KAHR 36652208, Infantry, Private, Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 19 March 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

JOHN P KOLLER 36983727, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 January 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

WILLIE J MASSEY 34820290, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 October 1944. Home address: Moultrie, Georgia.

SAMUEL F LANDRETH 33656645, Medical Department, Private, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 11 September 1944. Home address: Fries, Virginia.

FRANK MATUJA 32769531, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 7 February 1945. Home address: Roselle Park, New Jersey.

MURRAY MEIRLOB 32811892, Infantry, Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 29 May 1944. Home address: Bronx, New York.

JESSE A PLUMLEY 33803497, Infantry, Private, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 20 August 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JAMES C ROBERTS 20828437, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 5 November 1944. Home address: Okemah, Oklahoma.

AUSTIN T STOVALL 34920921, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 December 1944. Home address: Huntland, Tennessee.

EARL W WEINMANN 38376851, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 January 1945. Home address: New Orleans, Louisiana.

EUGENE WILLIAMSON 37623917, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Home address: Parma, Missouri.

EARL W RYAN 36324908, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 137th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 28 March 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

So much of General Orders Number 221, Section II, Award of the Purple Heart, this headquarters, dated 30 September 1944, as pertains to CHARLES B OSBORNE 11132637, Medical Department, Private, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

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8 March 1945

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man:

DAN H BRESHEARS 38016693, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945 near Wingen, France. Private Breshears was an ambulance driver on duty with a battalion aid station when it was overrun and captured by the enemy. Taken prisoner, Private Breshears administered aid for nearly thirty-six hours to American and enemy wounded. On the second day, an American tank opened point-blank fire on the building housing the wounded prisoners. In spite of the tank fire and the intense small arms fire directed by the enemy at the area, Private Breshears worked his way to the tank to inform the crew of the situation. He subsequently escaped through the enemy fire and returned to his organization to resume his duties. Entered the military service from Antlers, Oklahoma.

Section II

Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following enlisted man:

HARRY J MAREK JR 36759525, Infantry, Private, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 June 1944 near Campoleone, Italy. Private Marek operated a radio communicating with supporting artillery during an important series of attacks against enemy positions. Although his post was situated in a draw which the enemy subjected to heavy mortar, artillery and tank fire, Private Marek remained at his radio throughout the shelling and continued to relay the vital fire orders, rendering valuable support to the attacking riflemen, until seriously wounded. Private Marek's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois. Next of kin: Mr. Harry Marek, Sr. (Father), 1035 West 19th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Section III

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

RAY H HORTON 38017655, Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private), Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 28 November 1944 near Zutzendorf, France. Receiving word that a forward observer lay wounded in an exposed position more than three hundred yards forward of friendly lines, Private Horton, on his own initiative, worked his way across open terrain, under enemy machine gun and sniper fire to aid the wounded man. At the observation post, Private Horton and the soldier who accompanied him set up the observer's radio and adjusted effective artillery fire on the enemy positions. He then returned for medical personnel and guided them to the wounded man. Entered the military service from Sperry, Oklahoma.

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ROBERT H MISHLER 36812249, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 May 1944 near Aprilia, Italy. Sergeant Mishler's company was giving close heavy weapons support to the assault companies in an attack when the supply of ammunition became nearly exhausted. On his own initiative, Sergeant Mishler led a detail across open terrain under enemy observation and continuous shelling to replenish the supply. By skillful use of the scant concealment available Sergeant Mishler was able to bring his group safely to the dump and back with the much-needed ammunition. Entered the military service from Watertown, Wisconsin.

JUNIOR R SPOON 20835022, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945 near Wingen, France. Private Spoon was an ambulance orderly on duty with a battalion aid station when it was overrun and captured by the enemy. Taken prisoner, Private Spoon administered aid for nearly thirty-six hours to American and enemy wounded. On the second day, an American tank opened point-blank fire on the building housing the wounded prisoners. In spite of the tank fire and the intense small arms fire directed by the enemy at the area, Private Spoon worked his way to the tank to inform the crew of the situation. He subsequently escaped through the enemy fire and returned to his organization to resume his duties. Entered the military service from Cushing, Oklahoma.

ANTLONY P GRAY 35025573, Infantry, Staff Sergeant,
Antitank Company, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

HAROLD L RIXLEY 34644013, Infantry, Sergeant,
Antitank Company, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Westminster, South Carolina.

ALEXANDER CRAWFORD JR 33593722, Infantry, Private First Class,
Antitank Company, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JACK D LORD 20824548, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private),
Antitank Company, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Altus, Oklahoma.

JAMES D SHORTER 33139097, Infantry, Private First Class,
Antitank Company, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Rock Point, Maryland.

For heroic achievement in action on 23 August 1944 near Grenoble, France. This crew manned a 57mm gun at a road block attacked by a strong enemy force supported by armor. Although forced to set up the weapon on an open paved road and handicapped by lack of communications and poor visibility, these men delivered rapid and accurate fire at the attacking enemy. Riding the trails to hold the gun down and rolling it back into position after each round, the crew functioned smoothly in spite of the enemy cannon, machine gun and small arms fire directed at their position, and their effective fire was a fundamental factor in repulsing the enemy attack.

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Section I

Award of the Purple Heart and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart are awarded to the following officer for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

EDWARD REITER 01306320, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 1 June 1944 and France, 1 September 1944. Home address: Monticello, New York.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

CARL A GAJEWSKI 42091591, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 4 January 1945. Home address: Cheektowaga, New York.

Section III

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

CLYDE A BAST 38015765, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 16 September 1943. Home address: Brinkman, Oklahoma.

WALTER R COLLINS 33775091, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 October 1944. Home address: Baltimore, Maryland.

WILLIAM R FARMER 38005662, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 21 November 1943. Home address: Yuma, Colorado.

PHIL KADETZ 42041477, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 19 January 1945. Home address: Richmond Hill, Long Island, New York.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man:

DONALD J ALLEN 37496678, Medical Department, Corporal, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 December 1944 near Niederschlettenbach, Germany. Receiving word that a wounded man required immediate medical attention, Corporal Allen led a litter squad to help the wounded soldier. The wounded man's company was isolated by enemy fire and it was necessary to cross an open field under enemy observation in order to reach him. Although heavy machine gun fire from pillboxes of the Siegfried Line covered the terrain, Corpoal Allen unhesitatingly led his squad across the field. He was wounded in the shoulder by enemy fire, but he succeeded in reaching the wounded soldier and, under cover of darkness, directed the evacuation of the patient to the aid station. Corpoal Allen's courageous leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Harper, Kansas.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Missing in Action

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man, missing in action:

GRANT GOVER 20825085, Infantry, Sergeant, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 and 30 October 1944 near Les Lions, France. Sergeant Gover's squad received heavy machine gun and rifle grenade fire as it attempted to cross an enemy mine field. When the automatic rifleman was wounded, Sergeant Gover called for a litter bearer and guided him through the enemy fire to where the wounded man lay so that immediate evacuation could be accomplished. When darkness fell, Sergeant Gover withdrew his squad to high ground where the men dug in for the night. The next morning, Sergeant Gover led a patrol back through the mine field, still covered by intense enemy fire, to recover lost equipment and determine the strength and disposition of the enemy. His courage and initiative prevented losses to his platoon and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Pawnee, Oklahoma. Next of kin: Mrs. Carmel Ann E. Gover (Wife), Pawnee Indian Agency, Pawnee Oklahoma.

Section III

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and each of the following enlisted men:

RALPH F BROWNING 02010553, Infantry, Second Lieutenant (then Sergeant), Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 December 1944 near Engwiller, France. Lieutenant Browning was moving forward with one of the leading platoons in an attack on an enemy hill position when the enemy laid down a heavy barrage of mortar and artillery fire which, with the intense machine gun fire, forced a gap between the first and second platoons. Lieutenant Browning,

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despite the machine gun fire directed at him, immediately began to move from one platoon to the other, maintaining contact and coordinating the fire on the flanks. Lieutenant F[illegible]ning's courageous and aggressive leadership was a material factor in the comp[illegible]s successful attack and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from M[illegible]gon, Georgia.

KARL O NEVALA 39844288, Medical Departmen[illegible] Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 December 1944 near Engwiller, France. During an attack by the company to which he was attached as aid man, the enemy subjected the area to a heavy concentration of mortar and tank fire, inflicting a number of casualties. Refusing to wait until the barrage lifted, Private Nevala moved c[illegible]t into the danger zone to care for the wounded. Working under shell fire, he administered aid to five seriously wounded men. Discovering that one of the wounded soldiers was in a critical condition, Private Nevala, despite fire from two visible enemy tanks, carried the man more than five hundred yards to the aid station. Private Nevala's courage and devotion to duty undoubtedly saved the man's life and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from San Francisco, California.

CYRIL D SKUNTA 33149560, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945 near Wimmenau, France. Just short of the high ground which was its objective, Private Skunta's company encountered heavy machine gun and small arms fire which slowed its advance. Observing a good position for his light machine gun, Private Skunta made a bold dash through the enemy fire, set up his gun and opened fire. The enemy automatic weapons immediately attempted to silence Private Skunta's gun, but he remained at his post delivering a sustained and accurate fire which frustrated repeated attempts to overrun the position and inflicted substantial losses on the enemy, including three killed and six wounded. Private Skunta's courage and aggressiveness reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

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Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following officer and each of the following enlisted men:

DANIEL CHILDRESS 35932367, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. While Technician Childress was on duty in a company command post the enemy launched a strong attack, using automatic weapons, bazookas and hand grenades, and succeeded in surrounding the building housing the headquarters. Throughout the attack, Technician Childress worked courageously to bring aid to the wounded men. Although the enemy force was firing and throwing grenades directly into the house, and the fight raged at extremely close quarters, Technician Childress made several trips into the surrounding area to administer aid to wounded men and carry them to the shelter of the command post. Learning that a soldier lay seriously wounded nearly four hundred yards away, Technician Childress, accompanied by a member of his squad, worked his way across an open field to the wounded man, treated him in spite of the mortar fire falling in the area, and then evacuated him through the enemy fire to safety. Technician Childress' courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Excelsior, West Virginia.

WILLIAM O DENHAM 01283386, Infantry, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Headquarters Third Battalion (then Company L), 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 December 1944 near Mietesheim, France. As he led his company in an attack across the crest of a hill, Captain Denham encountered heavy enemy machine gun fire. The enemy fire was so intense it prevented the company from advancing and separated the leading elements from the rest of the unit. Working his way along the furrows covering the slope, Captain Denham crawled alone to within close range of the machine gun nest on the left, hurled a grenade into the emplacement, and destroyed the gun and its crew. His brave and aggressive leadership was a major contribution to the success of the attack and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Deland, Florida.

RAYMOND J DWYER 34034070, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 23 December 1944 near Bundenthal, Germany. In a final attempt to rescue seventy-eight American soldiers who were surrounded in a small town on the Siegfried Line, Technician Dwyer volunteered to accompany a small patrol which would endeavor to reach the encircled men and bring them back to friendly lines. After an artillery preparation, the patrol raced into the town and moved to the houses in which the seventy-eight men were holding out. While the other members of the patrol collected the tired and weakened soldiers and began to lead them out of the town, Technician Dwyer administered aid to each of the wounded and prepared litters for those who could not walk. He waited until all of the wounded men had been removed before leaving himself. When the enemy subjected the route of withdrawal to intense machine gun and mortar fire, Technician Dwyer moved among the men in spite of the enemy fire, encouraging and reassuring them by his own gallant example. Technician Dwyer's courage, initiative and devotion to his fellow soldiers were major factors in the successful rescue and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Roselle Park, New Jersey.

EDWARD L GARRETT 37530972, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action from 6 to 11 December 1944 near Mertzwiller, France. When the enemy launched a strong attack at positions occupied by his platoon, Sergeant Garrett effectively directed the fire of his squad at the advancing enemy, inflicting numerous casualties and permitting an adjacent squad to withdraw to more favorable positions. As the superior enemy force, supported by artillery, mortars and tanks, covered every route of escape, the squad found that it was isolated from the remainder of the company, which had withdrawn to another part of the town. Sergeant Garrett's squad was surrounded

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for six days, but throughout this period he made frequent patrols to reconnoiter routes of escape, encouraged and reassured his men and kept a constant watch for enemy movements, until friendly troops finally effected a rescue. His calm and courageous leadership was largely responsible for bringing the men through the trying period without losses, and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Unionville, Missouri.

HERBERT M GREEN 20846804, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 January 1945 near Wimmenau, France. During an intense fire fight, the telescopic sight on a supporting tank was rendered useless by enemy fire. Sergeant Green, determined to provide effective tank and mortar support to meet the enemy counterattack, crawled across one hundred and fifty yards of open terrain through heavy small arms fire to an outpost from which he could direct mortar and tank fire by means of a sound-powered telephone. As he moved up, he was forced to engage the enemy in several exchanges of small arms fire, and succeeded in killing three enemy soldiers and wounding several others. At the observation post Sergeant Green adjusted accurate tank and mortar fire on the enemy forces, inflicting a number of casualties and materially aiding in repelling the counterattack. Sergeant Green's courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Phoenix, Arizona.

EDWARD B GRZELLA 32372466, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 December 1944 near Bobenthal, Germany. During a heavy enemy artillery concentration, a 1½-ton truck loaded with mines, high explosive shells and small arms ammunition was set afire by an enemy shell. The blaze endangered a cargo-laden ammunition carrier parked no more than fifteen feet away. Sergeant Grzella, in spite of the continuing artillery barrage and the exploding ammunition on the burning truck, ran to the ammunition carrier, started its motor and drove it out of danger just as shell fragments punctured the tires and the gas tank of the truck he was driving. Sergeant Grzella's courage and initiative preserved the valuable piece of equipment for future use against the enemy and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Middleville, New York.

FOREST W REDDING 35242935, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 November 1944 near Engwiller, France. During an attack which met heavy resistance, Technician Redding, the company aid man, alone evacuated eighteen wounded men to safety. In performing these duties, it was necessary for Technician Redding to move about continually under enemy tank, mortar and small arms fire. When enemy rifle fire killed two litter bearers, Technician Redding moved forward without hesitation to finish the carry they had started. He worked throughout one day and part of the next in the midst of heavy fighting, and his courage and devotion to duty saved a number of lives and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

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Section I

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Missing in Action

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man, missing in action:

LEONARD E ADAMS 35899388, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. Private Adams' antitank platoon, organized as riflemen, attacked in an attempt to break through to surrounded forward elements of the battalion. Encountering heavy enemy machine gun fire, which pinned the platoon down, one of the squads tried to flank the enemy position, only to find itself cut off by the fire of several more automatic weapons. At this point, Private Adams, on his own initiative, moved to an exposed position, determined to establish the location of the enemy emplacements. The enemy weapons directed their fire at Private Adams, disclosing their positions, and in the exchange of fire that followed, the platoon was able to neutralize the enemy fire and continue the attack. Private Adams' courage and aggressiveness reflect credit upon himself and his organizat on. Entered the military service from Indianapolis, Indiana. Next of kin: Mrs. Zina G. Adams (Mother), Dana, Indiana.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and each of the following enlisted men:

DOCK HARDEN 38246085, Signal Corps, Technician Fourth Grade, 269th Signal Company, for meritorious service in combat from 3 January to 5 February 1945 in France.

PAUL V LAMBERT 0519693, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 November 1944 near Ingwiller, France. As the company to which Lieutenant Lambert's machine gun platoon was attached approached its objective, the enemy placed them under heavy small arms fire, forcing the men to take cover and stopping the advance. Lieutenant Lambert unhesitatingly worked his way forward through the enemy fire to make personal reconnaissance. He then led his men to the gun positions he had chosen and directed effective fire which dislodged the enemy and enabled the rifle company to attain its objective. Later that day, Lieutenant Lambert again worked his way across open terrain to observe enemy emplacements which were holding up the attack. Forced to expose himself to heavy small arms fire, he nevertheless was able to set up his guns and direct their fire in such a manner that the enemy weapons were neutralized and our infantrymen could accomplish their mission. Entered the military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

BENTON M LEE 20428046, Corps of Engineers, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company F, 36th Engineer Combat Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 January 1945 near Baerenthal, France. Sergeant Lee was leading his squad across open terrain when he encountered a well-entrenched enemy force armed with a number of automatic weapons. Although the enemy was no more than fifty yards away, Sergeant Lee skillfully deployed his squad and worked his way from man to man, encouraging them and directing their fire so effectively that the enemy was forced to withdraw. When a strong counterattack came a short time later, Sergeant Lee successfully covered the move of his squad to more secure positions. Entered the military service from West Point, Mississippi.

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EMMETT L NEFF 35761060, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. Private Neff's antitank platoon, organized as riflemen, attacked in an attempt to break through to surrounded forward elements of the battalion. Encountering heavy enemy machine gun fire, one of the squads tried to flank the enemy position, only to find itself cut off by the fire of several more automatic weapons. Striving to relieve the enemy pressure, Private Neff received a severe head wound, but he refused to seek aid and remained with his squad fighting to improve his position until a second wound forced his evacuation. Private Neff's courage and determination reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Poe, West Virginia.

FRANK R RICOTTA 20839583, Medical Department, Technician Third Grade (then Corporal), Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 15 to 22 February 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. Throughout a week of heavy enemy attacks, characterized by continuous bombing and shelling of the battalion area, Technician Ricotta repeatedly exposed himself to the enemy fire in order to bring medical attention to his wounded comrades. He moved into impact areas to administer aid, searched the terrain under intense fire for additional wounded, and evacuated the injured men to the aid station for treatment. On one occasion, Technician Ricotta made three trips in spite of enemy small arms and machine gun fire to the most forward positions in order to carry wounded riflemen to safety. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

WILBUR J CONNELL JR 36623952, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 36th Engineer Combat Regiment. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

VINCENT P PANKOKE 33575043, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 36th Engineer Combat Regiment. Entered the military service from Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

For heroic achievement in action on 19 January 1945 near Baerenthal, France. As the company the above-named soldiers served as aid men attacked across open terrain it suffered a number of casualties. In spite of the intense small arms and machine gun fire covering the area Privates Connell and Pankoke moved from one wounded man to another, administering aid to each and supervising their evacuation. Their courage and devotion to duty brought immediate medical attention to the wounded men and reflect credit upon themselves and their organization.

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Section I

Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded posthumously to each of the following enlisted men:

ERNEST G TAYLOR 32263777, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action on 7 January 1945 near Wimmenau, France. Private Taylor was serving as gunner on a tank destroyer when a strong enemy attack developed in the sector. A supporting medium tank was knocked out of action and the enemy, no longer pinned down by its fire, began to infiltrate near the tank destroyer's position. Several attempts by Private Taylor to place cannon fire on the advancing enemy were frustrated by the heavily wooded terrain and the nearness of the friendly troops. Determined to provide supporting fire, however, Private Taylor climbed to the outside of the tank destroyer and manned the .50 calibre machine gun. Firing from a completely exposed position, Private Taylor expended two full belts of ammunition, inflicting substantial losses on the enemy until fatally wounded by enemy rifle fire. Private Taylor's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Riverside, New Jersey. Next of kin: Mrs. Amy Taylor (Mother), 57 Stewart Avenue, Riverside, New Jersey.

RICHARD L ROONEY 36738724, Infantry, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 31 October 1944 near Housseras, France. An enemy mine field was discovered on a route which was essential to the advance of friendly troops. Because the field was covered by cross fire from enemy machine guns, several attempts by Private Rooney's squad to approach failed and Private Rooney volunteered to attempt to remove the mines alone. He crawled out into the area and began to clear the field. While he was working, he was fatally wounded by the enemy fire, but he continued at his task in spite of his wounds until the path had been cleared and our troops could advance. Private Rooney's exceptional courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois. Next of kin: Mrs. Margaret Rooney (Mother), 4438 Van Buren Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Section II

Award of the Silver Star, Missing In Action

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following officer and enlisted man, missing in action:

DAVID L BERKOWITZ 32824800, Medical Department, Private, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 January 1945 near Wimmenau, France. The platoon to which Private Berkowitz was attached as aid man was advancing over open terrain when it encountered heavy artillery and small arms fire and suffered a number of casualties. Although the area offered no cover or concealment and the enemy fire continued unabated, Private Berkowitz moved immediately to the side of a man wounded in the action. To administer aid, it was necessary for Private Berkowitz to remain in an exposed position while giving his comrade badly needed medical attention and directing his removal to a place of safety. Private Berkowitz's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Mollie Berkowitz (Mother), 3142 Diamond Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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JOHN E FLOYD 0401430, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 November 1944 near Rauwiller, France. Ordered to attack strongly fortified enemy positions in the face of fire which had held up another company throughout the day, Lieutenant Floyd moved through the enemy fire to an exposed observation post and personally directed mortar and artillery fire on the enemy positions. He succeeded in inflicting a number of casualties on the defending force and, taking advantage of the enemy's temporary disorganization, quickly returned to his company and led his men in an assault on the enemy strong-point which captured the objective. During the night, an intense grenade battle took place as the enemy attempted to infiltrate into our lines, but Lieutenant Floyd, in spite of the heavy close range fire, moved from position to position, encouraging his men and directing their fire so effectively that the enemy counterattack was repulsed. Lieutenant Floyd's courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Norlina, North Carolina. Next of kin: Mrs. Gracie F. Perkinson (Sister), Norlina, North Carolina.

Section III

Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

LAWRENCE H GERDES 35872949, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 23 September 1944 near Girmont, France. As Private Gerdes' assault platoon moved forward in an attack, it received heavy machine gun fire and was forced to halt. Private Gerdes, the lead scout, immediately crawled through the intense fire to within close range of the enemy position and threw a hand grenade into the emplacement, destroying the enemy weapon and killing three of the crew. In the face of stubborn resistance from other positions, however, the platoon was withdrawn a short time later in order to attack from another direction. While the reorganization was taking place, Private Gerdes assisted a wounded comrade to a position of safety. As he did so, the enemy laid down a heavy volume of mortar fire, wounding Private Gerdes. Although seriously wounded, Private Gerdes insisted that his comrade be evacuated first. His courage and concern for his fellow soldier reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

CHARLES F LEEPER 33689307, Infantry Sergeant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 December 1944 near Froeschwiller, France. Sergeant Leeper's company had just secured its objective when the enemy launched a severe counterattack, preceded by heavy shelling from two self-propelled guns during which the commanding officer was killed and the executive officer seriously wounded. In the action that followed, Sergeant Leeper materially aided in repelling the enemy thrust. He braved the heavy enemy fire to administer aid to the wounded and direct their evacuation; he moved constantly about to assist in the reorganization of the men and check their positions; and he repaired the battalion communication line, enabling friendly artillery to disable one enemy gun and force the other to withdraw. Sergeant Leeper's courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from McKeesport, Pennsylvania.

JAMES F WALDRON 31366069, Field Artillery, Private, Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action on 1 September 1944 near Moximieux, France. After elements of our infantry had been temporarily isolated in the town of Moximieux by a strong enemy attack, a section of tank destroyers was deployed to meet the enemy armored thrust. In the ensuing battle, Private Waldron's half-track was knocked out of action and the crew of one of the destroyers severely crippled by enemy fire. The driver of this destroyer called on Private Waldron to act as loader. Although he had never been in an M-10 and had no previous experience at firing the gun or handling the ammunition, Private Waldron responded to the emergency with skill and courage. When six enemy tanks attacked their position, Private Waldron and his comrade manned the gun so efficiently, despite lack of cover and the numerical superiority of the enemy, that they

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destroyed two enemy tanks and immobilized a third. Private Waldron's initiative and courage made substantial contributions to the successful defense of the town and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Roxbury, Massachusetts.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star is awarded to the following officer:

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VIRGIL P WOODALL 01386747, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 December 1944 near Bobenthal, Germany. As his company was reorganizing after a successful assault on a series of enemy fortifications, the enemy launched a strong counterattack which seriously threatened the company's flank. Lieutenant Woodall armed himself with an automatic rifle and led an aggressive assault on the numerically superior enemy. His accurate fire not only broke the counterattack but killed three enemy soldiers, captured five and caused the remainder to flee. Lieutenant Woodall then turned his attention to a nearby pillbox and led his men in completing its reduction. Lieutenant Woodall's courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Fredonia, Kentucky.

Section II

Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the each of the following enlisted men:

THOMAS J DAVEY 32623499, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 January 1945 near Wimmenau, France. Sergeant Davey's platoon was ordered to withdraw after suffering a number of losses from heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. After he had guided his men to the new position, Sergeant Davey returned through the intense fire to aid a comrade who had been seriously wounded in the action. Although the enemy artillery and mortar fire continued and the steep slope over which he was forced to travel offered no concealment or cover, Sergeant Davey carried the wounded man on his back through the enemy fire to safety. Sergeant Davey's courage and devotion to his fellow soldier undoubtedly saved the man's life and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Maspeth, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Florence Davey (Mother), 5733 - 63rd Street, Maspeth, New York.

BALO W SIGETY 33767980, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 10 December 1944 near Gundershoffen, France. After assisting in the capture of six enemy, Private Sigety took up a position from which he engaged snipers delaying the advance of his company. His position was subjected to a heavy mortar and artillery concentration but Private Sigety remained at his post until reinforced, then participated in an attack which drove the enemy from the nearby dug-outs and buildings. Private Sigety's gallant conduct during this attack materially aided in the seizure of the company's objective and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Altoona, Pennsylvania. Next of kin: Mrs. Elizabeth Sigety (Wife), 1324 Pine Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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Section III

Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men:

ALBERT W ELMER 01306574, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 December 1944 near Oberbronn, France. Observing that several enemy 20mm guns were firing directly into positions occupied by an adjacent battalion, Lieutenant Elmer immediately placed his mortars in action. Although the enemy emplacements were only a few yards away from the observation post and the exposed position he was forced to take drew intense enemy fire, Lieutenant Elmer remained in place, directing effective fire at the enemy guns. By skillful adjustment, and by bringing the mortar fire to within fifty yards of his own position, Lieutenant Elmer silenced the enemy weapons and made the emplacements untenable. When three of the enemy soldiers attempted to leave their positions, Lieutenant Elmer killed them with well-aimed rifle fire. Lieutenant Elmer's courage and initiative eliminated a serious threat to the battalion and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Flint, Michigan.

GEORGE R GRANT 31423839, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 January 1945 near Wimmenau, France. Attacking toward enemy positions on high ground near Wimmenau, Sergeant Grant's squad received heavy machine gun and small arms fire and was forced to halt. Sergeant Grant immediately crawled forward to determine the disposition of the enemy force, then reorganized his men and continued the assault, placing himself in the lead. In spite of the intense fire laid down by the defending force, Sergeant Grant worked his way through his squad, encouraging his men, directing their fire and adding his own fire power where needed. When an enemy machine gun cut their route of advance, Sergeant Grant crawled to within close range and neutralized the enemy weapon with rapid and accurate rifle fire. As the attack continued, Sergeant Grant was seriously wounded, but his men, inspired by his daring, went on to take the objective. Sergeant Grant's courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Milton, Massachusetts.

AUVERGNE B PRATT 36330895, Corps of Engineers, Corporal (then Private First Class), Company I, 36th Engineer Combat Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 January 1945 near Baerenthal, France. Corporal Pratt, a scout, was leading his company's attack on a strongly held hill position. Upon reaching a clearing, Corporal Pratt signalled his platoon to halt. Moving forward quickly, he crossed fifty yards of open terrain without detection, surprised an enemy machine gun emplacement, opened fire and killed the two-man crew. His action drew fire from other enemy positions and disclosed their location to his platoon. As Corporal Pratt attempted to crawl back to his unit, he was wounded by enemy fire, but his courage and aggressiveness inspired his comrades to capture their objective. Entered the military service from Woodstock, Illinois.

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Award of the Purple Heart and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart are awarded to the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

SAM J ARDITO 36749226, Infantry, Private, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 2 February 1944, and France, 17 January 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

GEORGE S WHITE 33701223, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 22 October 1944, and France, 4 November 1944. Home address: Shippingport, Pennsylvania.

Section II

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

WILLIAM R AITON 37708397, Infantry, Sergeant, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 10 January 1945. Home address: Englewood, Colorado.

ALFONSO BASSOLINO 32703538, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

HAROLD A BROTHERS 20109927, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Hudson, Massachusetts.

JAMES C BRYANT 36740553, Infantry, Corporal, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 September 1944. Home address: Kankakee, Illinois.

FRANK B CUMMINGS 35653131, Infantry, Sergeant, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 January 1945. Home address: Branchland, West Virginia.

ROBERT M DEPPEN 33516186, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 January 1945. Home address: Montandon, Pennsylvania.

BRADY O FERRELL 37639117, Infantry, Private, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 December 1944. Home address: St. Louis, Missouri.

WOODROW HALL 36030724, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 1 January 1945. Home address: Chatsworth, Illinois.

JOHN R HELINSKI 36830673, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 24 May 1944. Home address: West Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

WILLIAM G LOWER 15341636, Infantry, Private, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 23 September 1944. Home address: Indianapolis, Indiana.

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THEODORE E MILES 33461676, Infantry, Sergeant, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 11 October 1944. Home address: Elkland, Pennsylvania.

JOHN P NAIRN 33572825, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 5 December 1944. Home address: Manty Glo, Pennsylvania.

WILEY E RICKER 38503473, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 2 October 1944. Home address: Peach Orchard, Arkansas.

ELMER D RISH 33603596, Infantry, Private, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 4 October 1944. Home address: Larksville, Pennsylvania.

STEPHEN J SUCEVIC 33140160, Infantry, Sergeant, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 4 January 1945. Home address: Duquesne, Pennsylvania.

GLENN M WARD 37347871, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 13 January 1945. Home address: Fountain, Colorado.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star is awarded to the following officer:

BREWSTER F ELLIS 01320896, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. In a dawn attack the enemy succeeded in penetrating our lines and surrounded the command post of Lieutenant Ellis' company. Lieutenant Ellis, at the time with the forward elements, immediately began to work his way from platoon to platoon in order to form a patrol to go to the assistance of the command group. Choosing his men carefully despite the heavy fire directed at him, Lieutenant Ellis dispatched the patrol and then returned through the shelling to take over command of the three forward platoons. Shouting encouragement to the men and directing their fire he not only succeeded in holding the enemy, but forced them to withdraw with the loss of eighty-seven dead and twenty-five prisoners. Lieutenant Ellis' courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Williamston, Michigan.

Section II

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

HERBERT D BETTERS 31059871, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action from 12 to 15 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. During an attack, two platoons became pinned down along an exposed saddle by the intense cross-fire of enemy machine guns. Private Betters, the company aid man, entered the fire-swept area on four different occasions to carry wounded men to cover. Throughout the heavy fighting that followed the attack, he displayed a courage and devotion to duty that saved many lives. When the enemy laid down a heavy concentration of mortar, tank and rocket fire, Private Betters left his sheltered position several times to give prompt medical attention, carry the wounded to safety and direct their evacuation. His gallant conduct reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Southbridge, Massachusetts.

RALPH A BOERGER 35405524, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. A heavy concentration of enemy rocket and mortar fire landed near the battalion aid station and set fire to adjacent buildings and the ammunition pile of a nearby mortar platoon. While others sought cover, Technician Boerger, on his own initiative, left his position to remove a trailer laden with gasoline, parked next to the aid station. The enemy shelling continued and the ammunition began to explode, showering fragments throughout the area and igniting the tarpaulin on the gasoline trailer, but Technician Boerger ran to a truck, maneuvered it into position, coupled it to the trailer and pulled the gasoline a safe distance away. His quick thinking and courage undoubtedly saved the men sheltered in the aid station from serious injury and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Fort Loramie, Ohio.

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ALVIN A DAVIS 39176946, Medical Department, Staff Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4-5 December 1944 near Zinswiller, France. Receiving word in the aid station that a number of casualties had been inflicted on the battalion by enemy fire, Sergeant Davis, on his own initiative, organized litter squads from headquarters personnel and directed them to the wounded. Sergeant Davis went forward alone first to establish the location of the men needing attention and to find the quickest routes for evacuation. Working for nine consecutive hours, often under heavy mortar and artillery fire, moving constantly among his squads to urge them on despite fatigue, Sergeant Davis succeeded in effecting the evacuation of fifty-two wounded men from the front lines to safety. His courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Missoula, Montana.

DAVID B LEMERISE 01285608, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 September 1944 near Accolons, France. A battalion attack was held up by heavy concentrations of enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire from road blocks situated at the outskirts of a town. When other attempts to neutralize the enemy fire failed, Lieutenant Lemerise, the communications officer, mounted the leading tank destroyer, manned the .50 calibre machine gun and, standing exposed, delivered accurate fire at the enemy positions, at the same time pointing out the enemy machine gun nests and directing the destroyer fire on the road blocks. His efforts were so effective that the enemy emplacements were overrun and the tank destroyers were able to proceed into the town and relieve pressure on the remainder of the battalion. Lieutenant Lemerise's courageous and aggressive leadership was a fundamental contribution to the success of the attack and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Albany, New York.

PETER S RAFALSKI 33142048, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 September 1944 near Jeanmenil, France. During an attack by the company to which Technician Rafalski was attached as aid man, the enemy laid down a heavy concentration of mortar fire and inflicted a number of casualties. Observing a soldier lying wounded in the shelled area, Technician Rafalski moved from his covered position through the heavy fire to the side of the wounded man, administered aid and then evacuated him from the battlefield. As the barrage continued, Technician Rafalski repeatedly braved the intense shell fire to bring prompt medical attention to the wounded. His courage and devotion to duty were responsible for saving the lives of at least five soldiers and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Avoca, Pennsylvania.

DONALD M WATSON 02006962, Infantry, Second Lieutenant (then First Sergeant), Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 28 November 1944 near Mulhausen, France. While Lieutenant Watson's company was defending an important ridge, an enemy tank and three half-tracks appeared and threatened to overrun the company positions. In spite of the tank and machine gun fire, Lieutenant Watson left his position and moved out into the open where he could direct mortar fire on the enemy vehicles. Although he immediately drew intense machine gun fire, Lieutenant Watson remained exposed and adjusted the mortar concentrations so effectively that the enemy group was forced to withdraw. Lieutenant Watson's courage and initiative materially aided in the prevention of an enemy break-through and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Coulterville, California.

CHARLES CHEVALIER 31047820, Medical Department, Staff Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action from 4 to 6 January 1945 near Wingen, France. Sergeant Chevalier was captured with other aid station personnel during a strong enemy attack. When the need for blood plasma and other medical supplies to care for American wounded became acute, Sergeant Chevalier arranged with his captors to go through the lines to obtain them. Despite the heavy volume of artillery, tank and small arms fire being exchanged,

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Sergeant Chevalier succeeded in making his way to his regiment where he obtained the supplies and returned through the heavily shelled area to the enemy aid station. Two days later, American tanks assaulted the town and began to fire point-blank at the building being used to house the American wounded. Without hesitation, Sergeant Chevalier moved into the open in the face of the heavy fire to inform the tank crew of the situation. He succeeded in preventing further injury to his comrades and the whole group was subsequently released when our forces retook the town. Sergeant Chevalier's courage and devotion to his fellow soldiers reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Fairfield, Connecticut.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

JOHN EVIN JR 35765350, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant),
Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Lakewood, Ohio.

GAETANO C JAVARONE 32853673, Infantry Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant),
Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Gloversville, New York.

For heroic achievement in action on 27 December 1944 near Schonau, Germany. After their company had occupied new positions Sergeant Javarone and Sergeant Evin discovered that their company commander was missing. He had lastbeen seen directing the withdrawal from an exposed knoll. In spite of the heavy fire falling in the area, Sergeant Javarone and Sergeant Evin made their way to the former position, found the officer lying wounded and unable to walk, and prepared to carry him back to the company. As the return trip began, enemy machine gunners and snipers tried to intercept the rescue party, but Sergeant Javarone and Sergeant Evin succeeded in bringing the officer through the enemy fire to safety. The courage and determination of these two men reflect credit upon themselves and their organization.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Missing In Action

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man, missing in action:

PHYNIX R DAVIS 14073749, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 December 1944 near Bundenthal, Germany. Sergeant Davis' section of machine guns was advancing with a rifle company on an enemy-held town when the enemy suddenly cut the column in half with a heavy volume of machine gun fire. To avoid disorganization, Sergeant Davis immediately moved his machine gun section into position and set it up to cover the rifle company's route. In the ensuing fire fight, the forward elements were isolated by the intense enemy mortar and machinegun fire, but in spite of the enemy fire Sergeant Davis remained in position, and his effective direction of the fire of his own guns proved invaluable in the subsequent rescue of the encircled troops. Sergeant Davis' courageous leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Darlington, South Carolina. Next of kin: Mr. Wheller Davis (Father), R#1, Darlington, South Carolina.

Section III

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men:

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WILLIAM R BUTTRUM,35486483, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery C, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15-16 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. Private Buttrum, a member of a forward observer party, learned of a strong enemy attack on an adjacent infantry company. On his own initiative, Private Buttrum worked his way up a steep hill through heavy small arms fire to aid in repulsing the attack. Taking a position on the enemy's flank, Private Buttrum and another artilleryman opened fire and harassed and confused the attacking force so effectively that the rifle company was able to halt the enemy thrust. After the fighting had stabilized, Private Buttrum returned to his party, but twice more in the hours that followed he moved to the aid of the hard-pressed rifle company, giving support which was valuable in repelling the enemy attacks. On the third of these occasions, Private Buttrum was wounded as he made his way across exposed terrain under enemy artillery fire. His courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Evansville, Indiana.

VINCENT J CASTIGLIONE 16143457, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Battery C, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15-16 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. Technician Castiglione, a member of a forward observer party, learned of a strong enemy attack on an adjacent infantry company. On his own initiative, Technician Castiglione worked his way up a steep hill through heavy small arms fire to aid in repulsing the attack. Taking a position on the enemy's flank, Technician Castiglione and another artilleryman opened fire and harassed and confused the attacking force so effectively that the rifle company was able to halt the enemy thrust. After the fighting had stabilized, Technician Castiglione returned through the enemy fire to his observer party. In the hours that followed, he moved twice more to the aid of the hard-pressed rifle company. Though forced to undergo intense mortar and artillery concentrations, Technician Castiglione provided support which was valuable in repelling the enemy attacks. His courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JOSEPH M CRUTCHFIELD 0348535, Quartermaster Corps, Captain, 45th Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 July 1944 to 15 September 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Claremore, Oklahoma.

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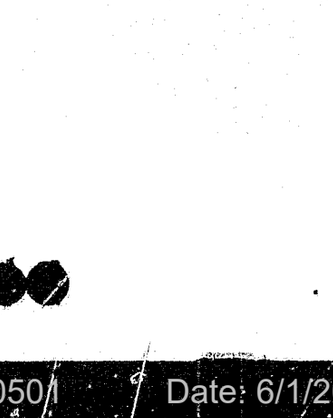

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GENERAL ORDERS 18 March 1945

NUMBER 88

ORIGINAL ORDER

Section I

Award of the Purple Heart with Two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart and two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters thereto are awarded to the following enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

JAMES B WILLIAMS 35792615, Infantry, Private, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 15 November 1943 and 27 May 1944; and France, 1 October 1944. Home address: Middletown, Ohio.

Section II

Award of the Purple Heart with One Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart and one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster thereto are awarded to the following enlisted man, for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

HENRY G NELSON 33683423, Infantry, Private, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 January and 14 January 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

Section III

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following officer and each of the following enlisted men, for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

SAM J ARDITO 36749226, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

DAVID BRUNO 01289383, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Norristown, Pennsylvania.

THOMAS J CARUSO 32925003, Infantry, Private, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 29 February 1944. Home address: Patterson, New Jersey.

LINDLEY J EMERY 36441924, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Decatur, Illinois.

ROBERT E FAIR 35874524, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 September 1944. Home address: Tipp City, Ohio.

LEON MARKMAN 12221385, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: New York, New York.

JOHN T SZABO 36571713, Infantry, Sergeant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 December 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

So much of General Orders Number 23, this headquarters, as, Section I, Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart, as pertains to ROBERT F PARK 33635356, Cavalry, Private First Class, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, is hereby revoked.

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Section IV

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following officer and each of the following enlisted men, for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

ELWOOD AUSTIN 34844632, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Albemarle, North Carolina.

RAYMOND L BONESTEEL 32577818, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 October 1944. Home address: Cropseyville, New York.

WILLIAM CILENTI 32721451, Infantry, Private, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: New York, New York.

JOSEPH P CILLUFFO 35059992, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 23 October 1944. Home address: Cleveland, Ohio.

PETE CONSTANCIO 38631191, Infantry, Private, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Dallas, Texas.

ASAHEL L COZAD 37103519, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Melrose, Iowa.

EVERETT J EASTON 32931897, Infantry, Private, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 28 September 1944. Home address: Buffalo, New York.

GEORGE L GUNCKEL 35455081, Medical Department, Private, Medical Detachment, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Italy, 5 May 1944. Home address: Dayton, Ohio.

JAMES E HAHN 34884237, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 4 October 1944. Home address: Nashville, Tennessee.

RICHARD G KANADA 38016229, Infantry, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 5 October 1944. Home address: Okmulgee, Oklahoma.

VERNON V LEDBETTER 36612295, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 20 December 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

JOHN R LINK 34884476, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 4 January 1945. Home address: South Pittsburg, Tennessee.

ARVID W NELSON 19183546, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: South Gate, California.

ERNESTO L PADLES 38001385, Corps of Engineers, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Tucson, Arizona.

CLIFTON I PENNELL 38631427, Infantry, Private, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Frisco, Texas.

JOHN B RIOS 37540764, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 15 March 1945. Home address: Kansas City, Kansas.

EARLE E RUTLEDGE 36413231, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 October 1944. Home address. Hillsdale, Michigan.

CHARLES W STAM 01291535, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 5 November 1944. Home address: Wichita, Kansas.

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ROBERT F VERSLUIS 36470575, Infantry, Private, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Grand Rapids, Michigan.

FRANCIS L VER SNYDER 42024046, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 24 October 1944. Home address: Watertown, New York.

HAROLD E WHITE 36748934, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 5 March 1944. Home address: Mount Vernon, Illinois.

FREDERICK R WIPPERT 31067218, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 29 May 1944. Home address: Manchester, Connecticut.

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28 March 1952

SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Amendment of General Orders

TO: Mr. Thomas J. Caruso
East 43rd Street and 11th Avenue
Bldg 1 Apt 5
Paterson, New Jersey

So much of General Orders 88, Headquarters 45th Infantry Division, dated 18 March 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Thomas J. Caruso, 32 925 003, which reads "Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart" is amended to read "Purple Heart."

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GENERAL ORDERS

19 March 1945

NUMBER 89

ORIGINAL ORDER

Section I

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

THOMAS J DOYLE 33508659, Infantry, Corporal, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Williamstown, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH L CHIARRIZZO 31237820, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 March 1945. Home address: Somerville, Massachusetts.

FRITZ L HOLIAND-MORITZ 32764701, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 March 1945. Home address: Irvington, New Jersey.

REGINAL KING O 692541, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 19 March 1945. Home address: Monrose, Colorado.

HARRY V LIVERMOOD 42115926, Infantry, Corporal, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 March 1945. Home address: Rochester, New York.

WOODROW W SCOTT 6284502, Infantry, Sergeant, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 16 March 1945. Home address: Detroit, Texas.

Section II

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

WALLACE B ANDERS JR 34690406, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Hendersonville, North Carolina.

JOSEPH D COXNER 35833924, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 January 1945. Home address: Bowerston, Ohio.

EDMOND H CROMER 35753977, Infantry, Private First Class, Cannon Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 March 1945. Home address: Durbin, West Virginia.

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LEWIS E DILL 20836990, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Cannon Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 March 1945. Home address: Denver, Colorado.

MARVIN R FITZGERALD 15106679, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Brookston, Indiana.

GEORGE B GENTRY 35115801, Corps of Engineers, Private, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

ARTHUR F HALL 36549766, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

ALWIN KOCHER 32226256, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 19 March 1945. Home address: Fayatteville, North Carolina.

EALY A LEE 38006235, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 16 March 1945. Home address: Greeley, Colorado.

RUWLAND E PARKISON 35095970, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Muncie, Indiana.

FRANCES B PAYETTE 32575070, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, Germany, 16 March 1945. Home address: Plattsburg, New York.

JOHN F RICKMAN [illegible]926, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Clayton, Georgia.

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20 March 1945

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Section I

Award of the Purple Heart and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart are awarded to the following enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

CARLIE MC KINNEY 34129725, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 14 September 1943, and Italy, 8 November 1943. Home address: Mars Hill, North Carolina.

Section II

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

GEORGE PAXTON JR 13068679, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

ROCCO SCIBILIA 32261849, Field Artillery, Corporal, Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: New Brunswick, New Jersey.

RAYMOND A WILTBERGER 32282464, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Buffalo, New York.

Section III

Silver Star - Correction in General Orders

So much of Section I, General Orders Number 168, this headquarters, dated 16 July 1944, as pertains to Technical Sergeant HOWARD J MORRIS 36226808, Infantry, as reads "for gallantry in action near Aprilia, Italy on 1 June 1944" is amended to read "for gallantry in action near Aprilia, Italy on 31 May 1944."

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22 March 1945

NUMBER 92

ORIGINAL ORDER # 1116

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and each of the following enlisted men:

HAYDEN J HARPER 01031562, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Wingen, France. The enemy launched a determined offensive to cut the supply lines in the sector Lieutenant Harper's company was defending. Using intense concentrations of mortar, small arms and artillery fire, the enemy attacked six times during the day, but Company L repulsed each of the attacks with heavy losses to the enemy. The successful defense of the position was in great measure due to the courageous and aggressive leadership of Lieutenant Harper. When the company commander was wounded early that morning, Lieutenant Harper assumed command immediately and worked tirelessly throughout the hours that followed, braving the heavy enemy fire to move among his men, checking their positions, directing their fire and inspiring them to repel the enemy force. Entered the military service from Bay City, Texas.

RALPH N HOLSEY 20836043, Medical Department, Staff Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 May 1944 near Campoleone, Italy. When several riflemen were wounded in an unmarked enemy minefield, Sergeant Holsey volunteered to evacuate the wounded men. Although the terrain was under heavy artillery and mortar fire and a previous truck had been blown up by a Teller mine, Sergeant Holsey drove a jeep into the field despite the total darkness. He found the wounded men, carried them to his vehicle and when daylight came brought them through the enemy fire to the safety of the aid station. Sergeant Holsey's courage and devotion to his fellow soldiers reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Altus, Oklahoma.

HALBERT WEILL 34649879, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 August 1944 near Rians, France. While on a motorized patrol mission well forward of friendly lines, Private Weill suddenly came under heavy enemy machine gun fire. His truck was disabled and his machine gunner wounded. In spite of the enemy fire, Private Weill administered aid to the wounded man, carried him to a covered position and then worked his way to the nearest artillery observation post where he reported information which enabled our artillery to silence the enemy guns. Entered the military service from Clio, South Carolina.

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23 March 1945

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star is awarded to the following officer:

WILLIAM D ROBINSON 0405374, Infantry, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 September 1944 near Archettes, France. Captain Robinson's company was given the mission of crossing the Moselle River and taking a well-fortified hill position near Archettes. The enemy discovered the crossing and covered the area with artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Despite the heavy enemy fire and the swiftness of the current, Captain Robinson was successful in moving his company across the river. On the other side, he personally moved each platoon into position, shouting encouragement to his men and directing their deployment. To gain the hill, Captain Robinson led one platoon in a flanking movement. The attack from the flank surprised the enemy and secured the objective. Captain Robinson's courageous and aggressive leadership was a fundamental contribution to the securing of this important bridgehead and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from McConnelsville, Ohio.

Section II

Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following enlisted man:

KENNETH E FOSS 33899049, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 September 1944 near Archettes, France. When a patrol attempting a river crossing suffered a number of casualties in a heavy concentration of mortar fire, Private Foss immediately went forward to help the wounded men. Though the enemy continued to cover the sector with intense and accurate mortar fire, Private Foss returned time after time to carry wounded soldiers to a defiladed position where they could be given medical attention. His courage and concern for his fellow soldiers reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland. Next of kin: Mrs. Helen Bowers Foss (Mother), 1513 Rolling Road, Baltimore, Maryland.

Section III

Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

JOHN F BLATT 33792498, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action from 6 to 11 December 1944 near Hertzwiller, France. When the enemy launched a strong attack at positions occupied by his platoon, Sergeant Blatt effectively directed the fire of his squad at the advancing enemy, inflicting numerous casualties until forced to withdraw in the face of direct fire from three enemy tanks. As the superior enemy force covered every route of escape, Sergeant Blatt found that his squad, with another small

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group, was isolated from the remainder of the company, which had withdrawn to another part of the town. Sergeant Blatt's squad was surrounded for six days, but throughout this period he made frequent patrols to reconnoiter routes of escape, encouraged and reassured his men and kept a constant watch for enemy movements, until friendly troops finally effected a rescue. His calm and courageous leadership was largely responsible for bringing his men through the trying period without losses and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CARL W BYAS 0452019, Infantry, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action from 19 to 24 December 1944 near Bundenthal, Germany. As Captain Byas' company was attacking an enemy town, the enemy suddenly counterattacked with machine guns and hand grenades, and in the ensuing fight the leading elements became separated from the remainder of the company. For the next five days, the forward elements under Captain Byas' command fought off numerous enemy attacks. Although he lost two of his platoon leaders and several key noncommissioned officers, Captain Byas was nevertheless able to repulse the enemy by personally directing each man to the best defensive positions and by braving the intense fire to encourage and reassure his men. He was painfully wounded during this action but he steadfastly retained control of the group throughout the critical period and finally led them to safety under cover of darkness. Captain Byas' courageous and determined leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Needville, Texas.

MELVIN W BOTELER 01311109, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 December 1944 near Engwiller, France. When progress of his platoon was impeded by enemy sniper fire which wounded the platoon sergeant and several other men, Lieutenant Boteler immediately deployed his men in covered positions, formed a small patrol and moved out in an attempt to silence the snipers. Cautiously and methodically stalking each of the enemy positions, Lieutenant Boteler succeeded in killing four enemy snipers. With this resistance eliminated, Lieutenant Boteler then returned to the platoon and led his men in a successful assault on the high ground which was their initial objective, and the platoon inspired by his daring, went on to take and hold its final objective in the face of heavy fire from enemy mortars and self-propelled guns. Lieutenant Boteler's courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

STEPHEN J CARTNICK 12078055, Infantry (Armored Force), Private, Company D, 191st Tank Battalion, for gallantry in action on 12 January 1945 near Lemberg, France. During an attack on an enemy strongpoint, an infantryman was seriously wounded. Several attempts to aid the wounded man were frustrated when the enemy laid down a heavy concentration of mortar fire on the area. Private Cartnick, observing that the soldier was exposed to the enemy fire, left the safety of his tank and ran to the side of the wounded man. With the help of some nearby riflemen, he then carried the soldier back to the tank and evacuated him to the aid station. Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey.

STANLEY J KOLODZIEG 37176253, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 May 1944 near Campoleone, Italy. Throughout a day of heavy fighting, Sergeant Kolodzieg's courage and initiative provided valuable support for his company's operations. When an intense enemy artillery concentration inflicted heavy casualties on the unit, Sergeant Kolodzieg exposed himself to the heavy fire in order to reorganize his men. An enemy sniper began to harass the company, but Sergeant Kolodzieg opened fire with his rifle and silenced the enemy weapon. A short time later, he captured two enemy soldiers and had them removed to a rear area. At this point, the enemy again laid down an intense concentration of artillery fire, and upon observing that a number of wounded were lying exposed to the fire, Sergeant Kolodzieg crawled into the impact area and succeeded in dragging the wounded soldiers to cover. Returning to the company, Sergeant Kolodzieg directed effective mortar fire on the enemy which contributed greatly to repelling an enemy counterattack. Entered the military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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WILLIAM J LAWRENSON 37475795, Infantry, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. Private Lawrenson's antitank company was organized as a rifle company and ordered to attack in an attempt to relieve isolated elements of one of the battalions. As leading scout, Private Lawrenson was advancing toward the objective when a concealed enemy machine gun suddenly opened fire, pinning his platoon to the ground. Private Lawrenson immediately engaged the enemy position, firing all his ammunition, and then hurled a grenade into the emplacement, silencing the weapon. As a result, Private Lawrenson's comrades were able to reorganize and continue the attack. His courage and skill reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Beresford, South Dakota.

Section IV

Silver Star—Correction in General Orders

So much of Section I, General Orders Number 4, this headquarters, cs, as pertains to First Lieutenant VIRGIL P WOODALL 01380747, Infantry, as reads "first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star" is amended to read "second Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star".

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Section I

Award, Posthumous, of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following officer:

CLARENCE E COGGINS 0426083, Infantry, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 23 August 1944 near Grenoble, France. When an enemy battalion attacked and overran the road block established by his company, Captain Coggins was captured while attempting to reorganize his men. During his interrogation, Captain Coggins by shrewd and persuasive argument was able to convince the enemy commanding officer that the American force confronting him was so strong that the enemy position was untenable. As a result, the enemy commander surrendered his entire force, which included nine hundred and forty-six enlisted men and officers and a great amount of serviceable equipment. Captain Coggins' quick thinking, initiative and courage made substantial contributions to his regiment's successful offensive and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Poteau, Oklahoma. Next of kin: Mrs. Ethel M. Coggins (Wife), Sharon, Oklahoma.

Section II

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star is awarded to the following officer:

BRANSFORD I FRAILEY 01316891, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 December 1944 near Gumbrechtshoffen, France. While attacking through an enemy-held town, Lieutenant Frailey's company suffered a number of casualties from heavy mortar, artillery and small arms fire. The company commander was evacuated, the attack halted, and the unit became disorganized. Lieutenant Frailey, the executive officer, assumed command. Moving forward despite the intense enemy fire, he assembled and reorganized the company and then, by skillful use of the terrain and his own example of courage and aggressiveness, led his men forward in an assault which reduced the enemy resistance and captured the objective. As he moved through the area to direct the preparation of defensive positions, Lieutenant Frailey was wounded by enemy fire, but his gallant leadership had insured the success of the attack. Entered the military service from Barnsdall, Oklahoma.

Section III

Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded posthumously to each of the following enlisted men:

HARRY HAMLOCK 32209195, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 2 December 1944 near Engwiller, France. Providing close support for the rifle companies during an attack on an enemy hill position, Sergeant Hamlock, observer for an 81mm mortar platoon, moved up with the forward elements to obtain unobstructed observation. Throughout the attack he was subjected to heavy enemy shelling as well as small arms fire, but he continued to adjust the fire of his platoon despite the enemy fire, often re-

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maining in exposed positions in order to make the concentrations as accurate as possible. He was fatally wounded by an enemy shell during this action, but his courage and devotion to duty were instrumental in inflicting severe losses on the enemy and in the capture of the battalion objective. Entered the military service from Jersey City, New Jersey. Next of kin: Mrs. Sophie Hammock (Mother), 82 Prospect Street, Jersey City, New Jersey.

JOHN TOMAO 32906674, Infantry, Private, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 2 December 1944 near Engwiller, France. Private Tomao, a member of a forward observer's party for an 81mm mortar platoon providing close support for the rifle companies during an attack on an enemy hill position, moved up with the forward elements to obtain unobstructed observation. Throughout the attack he was subjected to heavy enemy shelling as well as machine gun and small arms fire, but he continued his observation despite the enemy fire, relaying fire orders by means of his radio and often remaining in exposed positions in order to make the mortar concentrations directed as accurate as possible. Private Tomao was fatally wounded by an enemy shell during this action, but his courage and devotion to duty were instrumental in inflicting severe losses on the enemy and materially assisted in the capture of the battalion objective. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Catherine Tomao (Mother), 516 Fourth Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Section IV

Award of the Silver Star, Missing in Action

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following enlisted man, missing in action:

ELWOOD P BROWN 39588803, Infantry, Private, Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 23 December 1944 near Rechtenbach, Germany. Private Brown's platoon faced a series of pillboxes in the Siegfried Line. Machine gun fire from one of the enemy fortifications had killed one man and wounded several others, and Private Brown determined to destroy the position. Carrying a forty-pound pack charge, he crossed one hundred and sixty yards of open terrain under rifle and machine gun fire, reached the pillbox, placed and ignited the charge. Waiting to observe the effects, Private Brown discovered that the explosion had not caused sufficient damage to drive the enemy out. He recrossed the exposed ground, secured another charge and again crossed through the enemy fire to the pillbox. This time he succeeded in demolishing a large corner of the fortification, making the position untenable and forcing the machine gun crew to withdraw. Private Brown's determination and courage reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Los Angeles, California. Next of kin: Charles R. Brown (Father), 3602 Adair Street, Los Angeles, California.

Section V

Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following officers:

ALBERT F CHAMBERLIN 02000753, Infantry, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 December 1944 near Engwiller, France. Operating as the assault element in an attack on high ground held by the enemy, Lieutenant Chamberlin's platoon encountered heavy fire from mortars and self-propelled guns. The platoon leader and a number of other men were wounded by intense fire which threatened to disorganize the unit. Lieutenant Chamberlin, then the platoon sergeant, quickly assumed command, moved through the area despite the continuing mortar, tank and small arms fire, regrouped the men and shouted encouragement to them. He then called for tank sup-

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port and led the platoon in an aggressive assault which captured the objective. His courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

HERMAN L RHODES 01683491, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 January 1945 near Wildonguth, France. As Lieutenant Rhodes' company was preparing to attack, a strong enemy force suddenly assaulted its positions, laying down a heavy concentration of machine gun and rifle fire and then charging individual emplacements with fixed bayonets. To meet the enemy threat, Lieutenant Rhodes worked his way through the intense fire to a supporting tank and led it to a position from which it could fire at the attacking force. Exposing himself to machine gun and sniper fire, Lieutenant Rhodes directed the tank's fire so effectively that the enemy, suffering numerous casualties, was forced to withdraw. Lieutenant Rhodes' courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Savanna, Oklahoma.

ROBERT WILLIAMS 01031690, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 28 October 1944 near Le Bourgance, France. Lieutenant Williams' company attacked in an attempt to secure an enemy-held hill. In the face of heavy small arms and mortar fire, the company was forced to halt. Lieutenant Williams, realizing that the unit had to advance or withdraw to its original positions, immediately began to move through the area in spite of the enemy fire, reorganizing his men and shouting encouragement to them. Then, placing himself at the head of the company, he led his men in a determined assault which drove the enemy from the hill and captured several prisoners. Lieutenant Williams' courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Douglas, Arizona.

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Section I

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following officer and to the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

WILLIAM BALOG 33165478, Corps of Engineers, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: New Eagle, Pennsylvania.

PAUL P FRANK 01289405, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 March 1945. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

BENEDICT L MROCZKA 32212649, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 16 March 1945. Home address: North Tonawanda, New York.

WILLIAM PETTIS 34788396, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Tallahassee, Florida.

Section II

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

J. W. BIRDWELL 38631705, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 19 March 1945. Home address: Graham, Texas.

ALBERT S CANARIO 39009492, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: San Francisco, California.

MARTIN CHELNIK 32208876, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: New York, New York.

CHARLES R EDWARDS 01284683, Infantry, Major, Headquarters First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 20 March 1945. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN F FINCOD 35843702, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 20 March 1945. Home address: Joliet, Illinois.

RICHARD S GABALDON 38010663, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Los Chavez, New Mexico.

EDWIN C GRAVES 37773215, Infantry, Private, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 March 1945. Home address: Fulton, South Dakota.

JAMES L HARDIN 20836093, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 26 March 1945. Home address: Claremore, Oklahoma.

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DAVID L HODGES 13081251, Infantry, Corporal, Service Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 19 March 1945. Home address: Scranton, Pennsylvania.

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~~*RAYMOND F HUFET 0345018, Infantry, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 March 1945. Home address: New Orleans, Louisiana.~~

LESTER J JONES 39407320, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 19 March 1945. Home address: Bishop, California.

JAMES O KEELING 38632849, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 16 March 1945. Home address: Avery, Texas.

EDWARD E KIECA 36664084, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 20 March 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

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~~*RICHARD L LAWRENCE 42050307, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Jamaica, Long Island, New York.~~

FRED R MARTIN 36704834, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 March 1945. Home address: Bradley, Illinois.

PATRICK T MC AVOY 42035840, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Bronx, New York.

ALFRED F MELE 32217390, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 15 March 1945. Home address: Astoria, Long Island, New York.

RALEIGH F SEAY 01287418, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 20 March 1945. Home address: Lynchburg, Virginia.

WALTER A STAAB 37072827, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 March 1945. Home address: Berwyn, Nebraska.

ADAM B THOMAS 42068282, Medical Department, Private, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 19 March 1945. Home address: Maspeth, Long Island, New York.

J. T. THOMASON 38405987, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Mangum, Oklahoma.

CLAIR W VALENTINE 36845250, Infantry, Private, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: La Crosse, Wisconsin.

JEROME D WENZEL 36904748, Infantry, Private, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 16 March 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star is awarded to the following officer and enlisted man:

EARL M COOPER 0406805, Infantry, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), Headquarters First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 23-24 October 1944 near Fremifontaine, France. In the face of enemy small arms and machine gun fire, Colonel Cooper established an observation post on the forward slope of a knoll overlooking the site chosen for a river crossing by his battalion. As the attack began, the enemy subjected the battalion to heavy fire from automatic weapons. Colonel Cooper immediately ordered the machine guns emplaced near his post into action and the enemy countered by laying down an intense concentration of mortar fire on the area. In spite of the shell fire, Colonel Cooper refused to take cover and moved among the machine gunners, encouraging them and directing their fire so effectively that the enemy gunners were pinned down and our troops were able to establish a foothold on the far bank. Colonel Cooper then crossed the stream himself, urged his men on through the enemy fire in a final assault which took thirty-six prisoners, captured four machine guns and attained the objective. The next day, as the battalion continued its attack, Colonel Cooper again braved heavy enemy fire on several occasions to give personal direction to the movement of his men, reorganize them when intense shelling threatened to stall the advance, and care for the wounded. His courageous and aggressive leadership was a fundamental contribution to the success of the attack and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Hanna, Oklahoma.

VINCENT T VASILAUSKAS 11110770, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7 January 1945 near Wimmenau, France. In a sharp fire fight, the enemy succeeded in knocking out one of our tanks. Hearing a cry for help from the vehicle, Technician Vasilauskas left his foxhole to go to the aid of the injured soldiers. Working his way through the intense small arms fire, he reached the tank, climbed to the top and attempted to rescue the men inside. He was prevented from completing his mission when he was wounded by an enemy machine pistol, but his courage and devotion to his comrades reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Mount Carmel, Pennsylvania.

Section II

Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following officer and enlisted man:

WENDELL ROCHA 39 414 852, Infantry, Private, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7 November 1944 near Pajaillo, France. As Private Rocha's squad attacked across a clearing, enemy machine gunners emplaced on commanding ground laid down intense fire which temporarily stopped the attack. On his own initiative, Private Rocha worked himself through the area to a point from which he could fire effectively at the nearest enemy crew. Although he was armed only with an M-1 rifle, Private Rocha succeeded in silencing the automatic weapon and killed both members of the crew. As he moved forward again another enemy machine gun opened fire from the flank, and Private Rocha was fatally wounded. In spite of his wounds, Private Rocha called for the other riflemen to

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come forward, and his comrades, inspired by his daring, quickly reduced the remaining enemy position, enabling the company to continue its advance. Private Rocha's courage and fortitude reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from San Francisco, California. Next of kin: Mrs. Elisa Rocha (Mother), 1441 Taylor Street, San Francisco, California.

JOHN C SMITH 01304455, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 August 1944 near St. Maxime, France. While at an observation post directing mortar fire, Lieutenant Smith observed that an enemy machine gun was firing into the flank of his leading platoon. Moving forward immediately, Lieutenant Smith assaulted the machine gun emplacement alone, silencing the weapon and killing all of the members of the crew. Lieutenant Smith was fatally wounded in this action, but his courageous act saved the lives of many of the men of his company and materially aided in the success of the attack that followed. Entered the military service from Memphis, Tennessee. Next of kin: Mrs. Irene B. Smith (Wife), 1059-C Lamar Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee.

Section III

Award of the Silver Star, Missing in Action

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following enlisted man, missing in action:

ARTHUR E GUSTAFSON 37542160, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 10 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. On this day, Private Gustafson voluntarily led five patrols which brought back useful and accurate information of the enemy. On one mission, the patrol suddenly came upon a well-concealed machine gun position. The enemy soldiers immediately opened fire, but before any casualties were inflicted on our own personnel, Private Gustafson threw a hand grenade into the emplacement and knocked out the enemy crew. Later in the day, another patrol encountered intense machine gun and rifle fire. Ordering his men to seek cover, Private Gustafson edged toward the enemy position, opened fire with his M-1 rifle and silenced the enemy weapon. Then, making a dash to the emplacement, he destroyed the gun, pinned down the enemy soldiers nearby with rapid and accurate rifle fire and led the patrol safely back to the company. Private Gustafson's courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Minot, North Dakota. Next of kin: Mr. August E. Gustafson (Father), Route 3, Minot, North Dakota.

Section IV

Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

FRANK B FULCHER 32095328, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Antitank Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. A strong enemy counterattack succeeded in encircling elements of a rifle company and Sergeant Fulcher's supporting antitank squad. After a four-hour battle, the rifle company commander ordered the company to new positions and advised Sergeant Fulcher to destroy his gun and withdraw his squad. On his own initiative, Sergeant Fulcher decided to attempt to get the gun out. Ordering his men to couple the weapon to the prime mover, and then directing the squad to lay down a constant stream of fire, Sergeant Fulcher led his men in a dash down the main road through the enemy fire which reached friendly lines without a casualty. Sergeant Fulcher's courage and daring preserved the weapon for future use against the enemy and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

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MARSHALL I KINSLEY 36684935, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 2 September 1944 near La Chapelle, France. In an attack on an enemy-held town, Sergeant Kinsley's company encountered heavy enemy fire and suffered a number of casualties. Two of the wounded soldiers lay in an exposed area under intense machine gun fire. Sergeant Kinsley voluntarily worked himself forward, administered aid to the wounded men, then carried them through the enemy fire to a defiladed position. As he moved about the area, Sergeant Kinsley was forced several times into exchanges of small arms fire. He succeeded in wounding two and killing one enemy soldier and, when he was able to return to the company, directed effective mortar fire on the machine gun positions he had observed while crossing the open field. Sergeant Kinsley's courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Princeton, Illinois.

GERALD LICHTER 37098531, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 31 October and 1 November 1944 near St. Benoit, France. As the company to which Private Lichter was attached as aid man was moving forward in the attack, a soldier in the leading squad stepped on an enemy mine and was seriously wounded. Without hesitation, Private Lichter entered the minefield and went to the aid of the wounded man. He applied a tourniquet to the soldier's leg, carried him out of the danger area, and directed his evacuation. A short time later, another soldier was injured in a similar manner, and again Private Lichter proceeded through the minefield to the wounded man, administered aid and carried him to a point from which he could be picked up by litter bearers. On the following day, Private Lichter repeated his courageous performance several times, braving the dangers of the minefield to bring immediate medical attention to his comrades. Private Lichter's gallant devotion to duty reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

WILBUR B LIVINGSTON 33571316, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7 January 1945 near Wimmenau, France. Elements of an enemy force infiltrated and threatened the rear of the company Sergeant Livingston's machine gun section was supporting. Quickly shifting his weapon to an alternate spot where he could obtain a better field of fire, Sergeant Livingston held off the attackers with steady and accurate fire until enemy grenades and machine pistols destroyed his gun. Then, although wounded, Sergeant Livingston secured an M-1 rifle, held his position, and continued effective fire until the enemy was driven back. Sergeant Livingston killed at least six enemy soldiers, probably killed and wounded a number of others and aided materially in the successful defense of the company position. Entered the military service from Woodland, Pennsylvania.

WAYNE E MENEAR 35292017, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action on 1 September 1944 in Moximieux, France. In an effort to meet an enemy armored thrust which threatened to isolate the infantry in the town of Moximieux, Sergeant Menear's tank destroyer took up position covering a road junction. With one member of the crew wounded and evacuated and the others on reconnaissance, Sergeant Menear, the driver, was left to man the gun aided only by an inexperienced loader whom he had recruited from another platoon. Although Sergeant Menear himself had little experience in handling the three-inch gun, he responded to the emergency with skill and courage. When six enemy tanks attacked their position, Sergeant Menear and his comrade manned the gun so efficiently, despite lack of cover and the numerical superiority of the enemy, that they destroyed two enemy tanks and immobilized a third. Sergeant Menear's initiative and courage made substantial contributions to the successful defense of the town and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Roxbury, Massachusetts.

HENRY WEINBERGER 36218077, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 December 1944 near Mertzwiller, France. In the face of heavy fire from a numerically superior enemy force, Sergeant Weinberger's company was ordered to withdraw across a river to defensive positions. Although the forward elements were receiving direct tank fire as well as artillery and small arms fire, Sergeant Weinberger remained at his mortar observation post, covering the withdrawal of the riflemen with effective mortar fire. The change of position was slow because of the difficult river crossing, and the

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enemy soon gained observation and began to lay down heavy machine gun and rifle fire on the crossing area. Sergeant Weinberger, despite his exposed position, continued to direct accurate mortar fire on the enemy force until all the riflemen had reached the far bank, at times returning the enemy's fire with that of his own rifle. Sergeant Weinberger's courage and devotion to duty aided materially in the success of the withdrawal and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Buttornut, Wisconsin.

VIRGIL L ZEEK 36230923, Armored, Sergeant, Company A, 191st Tank Battalion, for gallantry in action on 18 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. Sergeant Zeek was ordered to lead his section of medium tanks in an effort to reach an American unit which had been cut off by enemy fire. He was warned to keep his tank buttoned up because an armored car commander had just been killed by a sniper in the area. On reaching the sector, however, Sergeant Zeek discovered that his vision was too restricted, and he stood up in the turret of the tank for more than an hour, despite enemy artillery and small arms fire, directing continuous machine gun and cannon fire at close-range enemy positions. When three American infantrymen fell wounded in an exposed position about thirty yards from the tank, Sergeant Zeek and another soldier ran to the wounded men, carried them to the vehicle, administered aid and then evacuated them to safety. Sergeant Zeek's courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Pembine, Wisconsin.

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Section I

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

GEORGE J COOPER 20648424, Infantry, Staff Sergeant,
Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Spooner, Wisconsin.

CODY JETER 20828464, Infantry, Staff Sergeant,
Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Okemah, Oklahoma.

For heroic achievement in action on 1 December 1944 near Kindwiller, France, after Sergeants Cooper and Jeter, with two other members of their patrol, had cleared a building to provide flank protection for their company command post, a group of twelve enemy soldiers suddenly infiltrated and attacked the headquarters. Immediately opening fire, Sergeants Cooper and Jeter and the other patrol members killed four of the attackers and wounded one. The enemy then concentrated its fire on the patrol's position, employing small arms, bazookas and hand grenades. Their building was set on fire, but Sergeants Cooper and Jeter and the others remained in position despite the danger until their accurate fire had forced the enemy group to withdraw and the safety of the command post was assured. Sergeant Cooper's and Sergeant Jeter's courage and determination reflect credit upon themselves and their organization.

Section II

Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to each of the following enlisted men:

JOE F JERINA 35283085, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Corporal),
Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Barberton, Ohio.
Next of kin: Mrs. Agnes Jerina (Mother), 291 Van Buren Avenue, Barberton, Ohio.

WILLIAM F R RUSSELL 6153727, Infantry, Staff Sergeant,
Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Brighton, Massachusetts.
Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Russell (Mother), 24 Saybrook Street, Brighton, Massachusetts.

For heroic achievement in action on 27 October 1944 near Remberviller, France. As members of a combat patrol ordered to attack a house used as an enemy strong-point, Sergeants Jerina and Russell courageously advanced across a clearing before the building in the face of intense machine gun and small arms fire. When they and their comrades were about seventy-five yards from the house, they assaulted the strongly-defended position. The fight raged throughout the day as the patrol, without contact with its company, fought to drive the enemy from the strongpoint. After ten hours, reinforcements finally arrived to make the position secure.

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Section III

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and each of the following enlisted men:

MILLARD K BUTTERWORTH 15076453, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945 near Mouterhouse, France. Ordered to cover a road junction during the withdrawal of infantry elements from the sector, Technician Butterworth moved his vehicle through intense enemy fire to positions from which his crew could fire at the advancing enemy at close range. Throughout the action, Technician Butterworth kept his driver's hatch open, exposing himself to the enemy fire in order to select the best possible firing positions. When the vehicle was finally ordered to withdraw, Technician Butterworth, though painfully wounded in the eye, refused medical aid until he had manoeuvered his vehicle to cover. His courage and determination reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Steubenville, Ohio.

EDGARD J DEAL 35145661, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. During an attack by his company on strongly defended hill positions, the elements on the right received heavy machine gun and small arms fire and were forced to halt. Sergeant Deal was ordered to move his platoon around the flank in an attempt to neutralize the enemy fire. After advancing about three hundred yards, the platoon became engaged in a heavy fire fight and two scouts were killed. Without hesitation, Sergeant Deal ran to his forward squads, in spite of the intense enemy fire falling in the area, and directed them in neutralizing the enemy fire. Then, reorganizing the platoon, Sergeant Deal led his men skillfully and aggressively in an assault which drove the enemy machine gunners from their positions and enabled his company to take its objective. Entered the military service from Michigan City, Indiana.

MICHAEL H KLEBBA 36365612, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Private), Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 September 1944 near Point sur l'Oignon, France. During a heavy concentration of enemy artillery fire, the aid man for Sergeant Klebba's unit was wounded, together with three other soldiers. Sergeant Klebba, a member of a machine gun squad, secured the first aid kit, worked his way through the enemy fire to the wounded soldiers, administered aid and then directed their evacuation to safety. Sergeant Klebba's courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

FRANCIS H PORTER 36836857, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. Private Porter was acting as radio man for supporting mortars when the enemy launched a strong attack and succeeded in cutting off the forward elements of the rifle company. Instead of moving to safety, Private Porter remained with the riflemen throughout the intense fire fight and directed well-placed mortar fire which inflicted numerous casualties on the enemy force and gave his comrades time to withdraw and organize their new positions. As Private Porter withdrew, carrying a radio on his back, he was forced to fight off the enemy with his carbine, but he continued to adjust mortar concentrations on the enemy force until he reached his company. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Jefferson, Wisconsin.

ARNOLD W SMITH 01683452, Infantry, First Lieutenant,
Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Altus, Oklahoma.

WALTER PLAVLJANICH 36563195, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private),
Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

For heroic achievement in action on 1 December 1944 near Kindwiller, France.

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After Lieutenant Smith and Private Plavljanich, with two other members of their patrol, had cleared a building to provide flank protection for their company command post, a group of twelve enemy soldiers suddenly infiltrated and attacked the headquarters. Immediately opening fire, Lieutenant Smith and Private Plavljanich and the other patrol members killed four of the attackers and wounded one. The enemy then concentrated its fire on the patrol's position, employing small arms, bazookas and hand grenades. Their building was set on fire, but Lieutenant Smith and Private Plavljanich and the others remained in position despite the danger until their accurate fire had forced the enemy group to withdraw and the safety of the command post was assured. Lieutenant Smith's and Private Plavljanich's courage and determination reflect credit upon themselves and their organization.

ERVAN F SCHROEDER 36365353, Infantry, Staff Sergeant,
Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Leecher City, Illinois.

RICHARD H HATZ 33802826, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

JEROME L ODGIS 32657839, Infantry, Private,
Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

For heroic achievement in action on 27 October 1944 near Rambervillers, France. As members of a combat patrol ordered to attack a house used as an enemy strong-point, Sergeant Schroeder and Privates Hatz and Odgis courageously advanced across a clearing before the building in the face of intense machine gun and small arms fire. When they and their comrades were about seventy-five yards from the house, they assaulted the strongly-defended position. The fight raged throughout the day as the patrol, without contact with its company, fought to drive the enemy from the strong-point. After ten hours, reinforcements finally arrived to make the position secure.

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28 March 1945

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ORIGINAL ORDER

Section I

Award of Two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Purple Heart are awarded to the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

LOUIS E NASIF 31061138, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 31 May 1944, and France, 25 November 1944. Home address: Central Falls, Rhode Island.

JOSEPH B MEYER 36662613, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 26 May 1944, and Germany, 20 March 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

DONALD R ANTHONY 33171406, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Lehighton, Pennsylvania.

HENRY W BAKER 32098467, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 March 1945. Home address: Baldwin, New York.

HENRY H DODD 34886562, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 March 1945. Home address: Corinth, Mississippi.

DWIGHT M EVANS 38696252, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Ponca City, Oklahoma.

RICHARD I KELLER 16063011, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 March 1945. Home address: Euclid Center, Michigan.

ALVIN E OUSEY 01285283, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Los Angeles, California.

JAMES J SWEENEY 42011520, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Wyckoff, New Jersey.

Section III

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as as result of enemy action:

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GEORGE J BABEL 36691031, Infantry, Private, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

CLIFFORD E ECKHARDT 32204843, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 30 October 1944. Home address: Mineola, New York.

RICHARD C HAMPTON 33852402, Medical Department, Technican Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 16 March 1945. Home address: Richmond, Virginia.

ROBERT E HASTINGS 31065377, Infantry, Corporal, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 2 December 1944. Home address: Marlboro, Massachusetts.

WILLIAM K HAUG JR 19202434, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 March 1945. Home address: Portland, Oregon.

PHILIP A KRAMER 33685992, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 28 October 1944. Home address: Mount Oliver, Pennsylvania.

WALTER J KUBISTY 32669950, Infantry, Private, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, Sicily, 16 July 1943. Home address: Buffalo, New York.

GEORGE S MAZIE JR 32180845, Infantry, Private, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 16 March 1945. Home address: New York, New York.

JOSEPH W OVERLY JR 35545786, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 6 October 1944. Home address: Churubusco, Indiana.

STEPHEN RAKIEC 31330407 Infantry, Private, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 5 December 1943. Home address: New Haven, Connecticut.

JOHN D REECE 38432716, Infantry, Corporal, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 23 September 1944. Home address: Honey Grove, Texas.

MELVIN YOUNG 36446526, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 25 May 1944. Home address: Fieldon, Illinois.

STEVE A ZACKOWSKI 33413441, Infantry, Private, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 14 February 1944. Home address: Monessen, Pennsylvania.

So much of General Orders Number 98, Section II, Award of the Purple Heart, this headquarters, as, as pertains to RAYMOND F HUFFT 0345018, Infantry, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

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Commendation of Unit

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55 the following unit is commended:

SECOND BATTALION, 179TH INFANTRY REGIMENT, for exceptionally meritorious performance in combat from 28 May to 3 June 1944 near Corioli, Italy. The Second Battalion was ordered to attack and clear heavily defended positions in the enemy's group of defenses protecting the road to Rome. Moving against an enemy determined to resist at all costs, the battalion was forced frequently to advance over prolonged stretches of terrain offering little cover or concealment, was subjected to intense concentrations of mortar and artillery fire, and suffered a number of casualties. Skillfully flanking some enemy positions, mounting tanks to traverse minefields and capture highways, driving the defenders from well-organized fortifications in close combat, the units of this battalion swiftly and relentlessly pushed the enemy back and finally broke his resistance. As a result of the battalion's efforts during this period more than three hundred enemy soldiers were killed and wounded, an equal number taken prisoner, large amounts of equipment were captured or destroyed, and the enemy was driven from key points on one of his important lines of defense. The courage, aggressiveness, persistance and skill displayed by the members of the battalion in this action materially contributed to the enemy's defeat before Rome.

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Section I

Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following officer:

JOHN G RAHILL 01322174, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. Lieutenant Rahill's company was ordered to clear a strongly defended enemy ridge near Grandvillers. First making a personal reconnaissance under heavy enemy fire, Lieutenant Rahill quickly deployed his company and led it forward in the attack. When the left flank of the company was held up by fire from a well-concealed enemy machine gun nest, Lieutenant Rahill crawled forward to the leading riflemen, ascertained the position of the enemy emplacement and then returned through the enemy fire to a supporting tank. Mounting the vehicle, he directed it into firing position and adjusted the tank's fire so effectively that the enemy machine gun was silenced and the company was able to move on and take its objective. Lieutenant Rahill's courageous and aggressive leadership was a fundamental factor in the success of the attack in which twenty-five prisoners were taken and many others killed and wounded. Entered the military service from Caldwell, New Jersey. Next of kin: Mr. Gerald D. Rahill (Father), 46 Cedars Road, Caldwell, New Jersey.

Section II

Award of the Silver Star, Missing in Action

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following enlisted man, missing in action:

EDWARD M SCHANG 33100317, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. During a period when the enemy was constantly shifting his forces and probing our own lines, Private Schang went on three patrols which gained valuable information of enemy strength and deployment. The third of those patrols was ambushed by a numerically superior enemy force, and in the ensuing fire fight Private Schang killed or wounded three of the enemy and forced the remainder to disperse. He remained behind to cover the successful withdrawal of the patrol from the area, but he did not succeed in reaching safety himself. Private Schang's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Greensville, Pennsylvania. Next of kin: Mrs. Susie Schang (Mother), 6 Packard Avenue, Greensville, Pennsylvania.

Section III

Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

RALPH N HOLSEY 20856043, Medical Department, Staff Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 October 1944 near Houssen, France. When enemy machine gun and artillery fire inflicted a number of casualties on the assault companies during an attack, Sergeant Holsey, on his

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own initiative, drove his vehicle into the battle area to evacuate the wounded. Although the enemy had excellent observation of the terrain and covered the sector with machine gun, mortar and artillery fire, Sergeant Holsey procured two litter bearers and with them succeeded in evacuating one of the wounded men by dragging the litter along the ground for five hundred yards, loading the wounded soldier on the vehicle, and driving through the enemy barrage to the aid station. To reach a second man, Sergeant Holsey repeated his courageous performance, braving the enemy fire again to bring the wounded soldier prompt medical attention. Entered the military service from Altus, Oklahoma.

REED J SPIERS 32206630, Medical Department, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7 January 1945 near Wingen, France. A strong enemy attack succeeded in overrunning the town of Wingen, capturing a number of American wounded in a battalion aid station. When, a few days later, a counterattack drove the enemy from the town, the wounded men were left between the battling forces. In spite of the heavy volume of artillery, mortar and small arms fire being exchanged, Sergeant Spiers drove his ambulance into the town to evacuate the wounded soldiers. He made three trips through the enemy fire, each time loading the wounded men into the ambulance and driving them to the regimental aid station. Sergeant Spiers' courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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Award of the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart I
Award of the Purple Heart II

I — AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 157th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

ORAL J. DAILEY 35913222 INF, Private, Company G, ~~Italy~~, 24 March 1944. Home address: Cleveland, Ohio.

VIRGIL M. LAUSEN 37177413 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company Second Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 28 April 1944. Home address: Renville, Massachusetts.

JOHN L. McGINNIS 0422060 INF, Captain, Company A, ~~Italy~~, 23 October 1943. Home address: Craig, Colorado.

KENNETH B. E. RANDALL 20836820 INF, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 17 February 1944. Home address: Denver, Colorado.

OSWELL L. SWANN 33564362 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 7 May 1944. Home address: Silver Hill, Maryland.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 157th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

JOSEPH J. ALEXANDRO 32216832 INF, Private First Class, Company E, ~~Italy~~, 5 October 1943. Home address: Astoria, New York.

ALVIN L. BIGGERS 37101064 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company F, ~~Italy~~, 8 December 1943. Home address: Mountain Home, Arkansas.

CLADWYN M. ALLEY 11063267 INF, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 18 November 1943. Home address: Providence, Rhode Island.

LAURENCE G. BROWN 020876 INF, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, Second Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 30 April 1944. Home address: Oswego, New York.

ORAL J. DAILEY 35913222 INF, Private, Company G, ~~Italy~~, 24 February 1944. Home address: Cleveland, Ohio.

VINCENT J. DAMASO 32875114 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, ~~Italy~~, 28 April 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN FICORILLI 31291812 INF, Private, Company F, ~~Italy~~, 7 May 1944. Home address: Providence, Rhode Island.

PHILIP L. FRYER 36218998 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 9 May 1944. Home address: Elcho, Wisconsin.

EDWARD GLICK 31060880 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 16 September 1943. Home address: Dorchester, Massachusetts.

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JOHN T. GMUREK 33554130 INF, Private First Class, Company E, [redacted], 16 November 1943. Home address: Baltimore, Maryland.

FREDDIE E. HILL 36051040 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company D, [redacted], 10 November 1943. Home address: Mount Sterling, Illinois.

KENNETH R. HOSEY 20838877 INF, First Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, [redacted], 14 September 1943. Home address: Brighton, Colorado.

VIRGIL M. LAUSEN 37177413 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, [redacted], 23 February 1944. Home address: Renville, Massachusetts.

GERALD G. McFARLIN 20839343 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company L, [redacted], 30 November 1943. Home address: Lindon, Colorado.

JOHN L. McGINNIS 0422060 INF, Captain, Company A, [redacted], 24 July 1943. Home address: Craig, Colorado.

HILLISTON O. MOORE 33563715 INF, Private First Class, Company D, [redacted], 16 October 1943. Home address: Wingate, Maryland.

DONALD R. NICKELS 01315353 INF, Second Lieutenant, Company E, [redacted], 10 December 1943. Home address: Norton, Virginia.

REGINALD J. O'DONNELL 33745232 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, [redacted], 24 March 1944. Home address: Washington, D. C.

JAMES A OWINGS 34518303 INF, Private, Company E, [redacted], 30 November 1943. Home address: Laurens, South Carolina.

ADOLPH J. PACK 31276153 INF, Private, Anti-Tank Company, [redacted], 19 November 1943. Home address: New Britain, Connecticut.

WILLIAM D. REYNOLDS 34278906 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, [redacted], 21 December 1943. Home address: Dorsey, Massachusetts.

JAMES A. RUTLEDGE 20838321 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company L, [redacted], 26 March 1944. Home address: Boulder, Colorado.

FLOYD B. SHARP 37415655 INF, Private, Company A, [redacted], 24 December 1943. Home address: Rolla, Missouri.

PHARES R. SNYDER 38005349 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company B, [redacted], 9 November 1943. Home address: Collbron, Colorado.

OSWELL L. SWANN 33564362 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, [redacted], 17 March 1944. Home address: Silver Hill, Maryland.

WILLIAM J. WALTERS 35770601 INF, Private, Company E, [redacted], 8 May 1944. Home address: Fayetteville, West Virginia.

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MORRIS FERRETTI 33504672 INF, Private, Company C, Italy, 2 May 1944. Home address: Myerstown, Pennsylvania.

GEORGE J. GOESLINE 32204772 INF, Private First Class, Company M, Italy, 17 February 1944. Home address: Flushing, New York.

VOLTER R. HALL 34524557 INF, Private First Class, Company D, Italy, 5 April 1944. Home address: Culleoka, Tennessee.

WILLIAM E. HATFIELD 37517400 INF, Private First Class, Company C, Italy, 5 May 1944. Home address: Blue Springs, Missouri.

GEORGE D. HAY 35792047 INF, Private First Class, Company D, Italy, 14 February 1944. Home address: Cincinnati, Ohio.

ARNOLD W. HIRSCH 01320321 INF, Second Lieutenant, Company F, Italy, 23 March 1944. Home address: Donora, Pennsylvania.

BILL HOFFMAN 38323683 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, Italy, 1 May 1944. Home address: Wann, Oklahoma.

BILLY HOOD 380[illegible]952 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company L, Italy, 5 May 1944. Home address: Rehobeth, New Mexico.

RICHARD M. KENNA 6977991 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company A, Italy, 3 May 1944. Home address: Glens Falls, New York.

BLAIR G. KERR 20306582 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company L, Italy, 5 May 1944. Home address: Waynesburg, Pennsylvania.

SAUL J. KRIEGER 20260159 INF, Private, Company B, Italy, 6 May 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

CHARLES R. LEFFLER 33435412 INF, Technician Fifth Grade, Company L, Italy, 5 May 1944. Home address: Eldred, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT G. LOKA 36809697 INF, Private First Class, Company C, Italy, 6 May 1944. Home address: Gleason, Wisconsin.

JOHN LUBISCHER JR 12206236 INF, Private First Class, Company C, Italy, 2 May 1944. Home address: Long Branch, New Jersey.

VINCENTA MAINENTE 32217086 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company C, Italy, 13 November 1943. Home address: Long Island City, New York.

BERNARD A. MALIK 35235148 INF, Private, Company L, Italy, 2 May 1944. Home address: Youngstown, Ohio.

HERBERT R. MALLORY 01305081 INF, Second Lieutenant, Company F, Italy, 26 March 1944. Home address: Akron, Ohio.

CARMINE MANGO 12051087 INF, Sergeant, Company D, Italy, 30 March 1944. Home address: Newark, New Jersey.

JOHN L. McKINNON 34649764 INF, Corporal, Company F, Italy, 2 May 1944. Home address: Hartsville, South Carolina.

ROBERT J. McMANUS 33791742 INF, Private First Class, Company B, Italy, 3 May 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

ALBERT L. MILLS JR 31351442 MC, Private, Medical Detachment, Italy, 5 May 1944. Home address: Perham, Maine.

NICHOLAS V. MOGUS 33699076 INF, Private First Class, Company C, Italy, 2 May 1944. Home address: East Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

ROGER L. OGDEN 38016160 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company M, Italy, 18 September 1943. Home address: Eufaula, Oklahoma.

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CHRISTOPHER J. PAPPIANOU 01283476 INF, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, [redacted], 14 October 1943. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

JOSEPH N. PAYTI 32776888 INF, Private First Class, Company C, [redacted], 12 February 1944. Home address: Keasbey, New Jersey.

RALPH T. PERREAULT 31320771 INF, Private, Company I, [redacted], 5 May 1944. Home address: Auburn, Maine.

ELDON I. PHELPS 38015326 MC, Private, Medical Detachment, [redacted], 6 May 1944. Home address: Enid, Oklahoma.

GROVER D. REESE 36751866 INF, Private, Company A, [redacted], 5 May 1944. Home address: Quincy, Illinois.

HURD L. REEVES JR 0441991 INF, Captain, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, [redacted], 14 July 1943. Home address: Tampa, Florida.

HERBERT B. RICEBERG 31305583 MC, Private, Medical Detachment, [redacted], 5 May 1944. Home address: Chelsea, Massachusetts.

MICHAEL J. SALMARTINO 42021775 INF, Private, Company L, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Dunkirk, New York.

PETER J. SARRA 36612065 INF, Private First Class, Company L, [redacted], 4 May 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

WILLARD O. SCHEPPLER 37675391 INF, Private First Class, Company A, [redacted], 5 May 1944. Home address: Webster City, Iowa.

WAYNE E. SCHICHTL 37670475 INF, Private, Company I, [redacted], 2 May 1944. Home address: Burt, Iowa.

ELDRED F. SCOTT 20420448 INF, Private First Class, Company B, [redacted], 5 May 1944. Home address: Palmetto, Florida.

EDWARD H. SESSOM 34678435 INF, Private, Company I, [redacted], 2 May 1944. Home address: Carr, North Carolina.

DAWSON P. SISLER 33558456 INF, Private First Class, Company F, [redacted], 5 May 1944. Home address: Friendsville, Maryland.

RICHARD I. SMALL 31321148 INF, Private First Class, Company C, [redacted], 12 February 1944. Home address: Portland, Maine.

So much of Section II, General Orders Number 25, this headquarters, cs, awarding the Purple Heart to JOSEPH T. NOTTIE JR 31120273 INF, Private First Class, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, is amended to delete Medal Number 213461.

So much of Section II, General Orders Number 33, this headquarters, cs, awarding the Purple Heart to ROWLAND L. ADAMS 36564677 INF, Private, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, is amended to delete Medal Number 217394.

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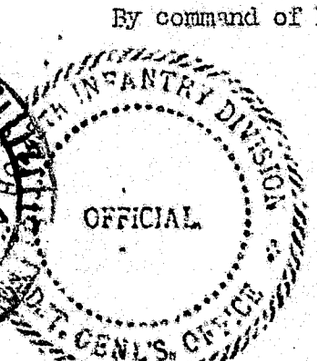

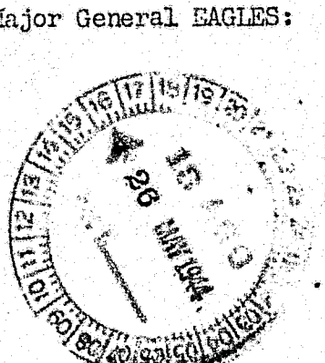

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GENERAL ORDERS)

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Award of the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart I
Award of the Purple Heart II

I — AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 179th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

CHARLES A. DAVIS 20827144 INF, Corporal, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, [redacted], 11 May 1944. Home address: Mangum, Oklahoma.

EVERETT W. EASLEY 39403881 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company E, [redacted], 2 May 1944. Home address: Copper City, California.

WILLIAM J. FLYNN 32952135 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, [redacted], 10 April 1944. Home address: Gloucester, New Jersey.

JOHN G. FRIED 32752984 INF, Private, Company B, [redacted], 11 February 1944. Home address: Laurel Springs, New Jersey.

ROBERT L. GOLDEN 34686602 INF, Private, Company A, [redacted], 27 April 1944. Home address: Dawson, Georgia.

ELMER HENSLEY 35787036 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company L, [redacted], 4 May 1944. Home address: Cincinnati, Ohio.

MARVIN C. HOPKINS 34129626 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company L, [redacted], 5 May 1944. Home address: Madison, South Carolina.

WILLIAM LITKE 39336632 INF, Private First Class, Company L, [redacted], 5 May 1944. Home address: Goldendale, Washington.

LEE H. LONG 33504525 INF, Private, Company B, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania.

JOHN D. O'NEIL 01301024 INF, Second Lieutenant, Company G, [redacted], 4 May 1944. Home address: Kalispell, Montana.

FREDERICK A. OPPER 32525982 INF, Private, Company C, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Mount Vernon, New York.

JAMES D. PRICE 33648204 INF, Private, Company I, [redacted], 7 May 1944. Home address: New River, Virginia.

GEORGE A. RAUH 32801766 INF, Private, Company F, [redacted], 29 April 1944. Home address: Oceanside, New York.

HURD L. REEVES JR 0441991 INF, Captain, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, [redacted], 3 December 1943. Home address: Tampa, Florida.

LEONARDO SANCHEZ 38123234 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company I, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Clint, Texas.

BRICE V. SANDS 35870398 INF, Private First Class, Company F, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Springfield, Ohio.

EVERETT R. WHEELER 36449014 INF, Private, Company L, [redacted], 5 May 1944. Home address: Danville, Illinois.

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II -- AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 179th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

WILLIAM F. ASHBY 34777475 INF, Private, Company F, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Winston Salem, North Carolina.

FELIX J. ASHLINE JR 32852984 INF, Private First Class, Company I, [redacted] 18 February 1944. Home address: Whitehall, New York.

EDWARD F. BARKOW 32995299 INF, Private, Company C, [redacted], 29 April 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

OSCAR BARNES JR 33503978 INF, Private First Class, Company H, [redacted] 30 April 1944. Home address: Fayettesville, Pennsylvania.

ANTON BENESH 37469103 MC, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, [redacted] 4 May 1944. Home address: Omaha, Nebraska.

FRANK E. BEST 32930008 INF, Private First Class, Company A, [redacted] 5 May 1944. Home address: Fredonia, New York.

EMANUELE S. BORDONARO 31313869 MC, Private, Medical Detachment, [redacted] 16 March 1944. Home address: Stratford, Connecticut.

JOHN B. BOWERS 33656879 INF, Private, Company G, [redacted] 11 May 1944. Home address: Paint Bank, Virginia.

LESLIE A. BROWN 31063008 INF, Private First Class, Company M, [redacted], 29 April 1944. Home address: Lowell, Massachusetts.

PASQUALE BULFARO 33318994 INF, Private, Company A, [redacted] 5 May 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH J. CAMPANELLA 32762509 MC, Private, Medical Detachment, [redacted], 6 May 1944. Home address: Rutherford, New Jersey.

FRANCIS E. CAREY 38015959 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company I, [redacted], 5 May 1944. Home address: Apperson, Oklahoma.

BILLY B. CASEY 38342619 INF, Private First Class, Company C, [redacted] 29 April 1944. Home address: Lubbock, Texas.

CHARLES L. CLARKE 01309518 INF, First Lieutenant, Company D, [redacted] 20 February 1944. Home address: Seattle, Washington.

WILLIAM B. COLT JR 19177704 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, [redacted] 30 April 1944. Home address: Beverly Hills, California.

NAT DESADIER 34150885 INF, Private, Company E, [redacted], 6 May 1944. Home address: Clarence, Louisiana.

JAMES E. DIFFENDERFER 33531111 INF, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, [redacted] 16 February 1944. Home address: Jonesville, Virginia.

RICHARD C. DUGGER JR 35604665 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, [redacted] 13 February 1944. Home address: Akron, Ohio.

JAMES K. EAST 38199921 MC, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, [redacted] 18 February 1944. Home address: Bogata, Texas.

THEODORE B. ELROFF 32389154 MC, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, [redacted], 4 May 1944. Home address: Hackensack, New Jersey.

SYLVESTER W. ERDMAN 36258139 INF, Private First Class, Company D, [redacted], 4 May 1944. Home address: Sussex, Wisconsin.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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Award, Posthumous, of Silver Star Medal I
Award of Silver Star Medal II
Award of Bronze Star Medal, for Acts of Gallantry in Actual Combat III
Award of Bronze Star Medal, for Meritorious Service in Actual Combat . . . IV
Award of Bronze Star Medal, for Meritorious Service in Direct Support of Combat Operations V

I - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following individuals:

WILBERT E. BLACK 13060987 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 December 1943, near Lagone, Italy. Technical Sergeant Black, while on a reconnaissance patrol, heard an exchange of shots coming from a small hill where two officers from the patrol had gone ahead to reconnoiter. Technical Sergeant Black, and three other members of the patrol immediately climbed a steep embankment, located, and deliberately attacked a superior enemy force. As a result of their determined fight, the patrol killed four Germans, captured eleven prisoners, four mortars and five machine guns. Interrogation of the prisoners revealed that they had been sent out to ambush the battalion of which Technical Sergeant Black was a member. The cool, aggressive action taken by Technical Sergeant Black, was a deciding factor in neutralizing the enemy outpost, and is worthy of much praise. Entered military service from Beaver, Pennsylvania. Next of kin: Mrs. Minnie Black (Mother), Route #1, Beaver, Pennsylvania.

MELVIN E. PETERSEN 31061162 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 December 1943, near Lagone, Italy. Staff Sergeant Petersen, while on a reconnaissance patrol, heard an exchange of shots coming from a small hill where two officers from the patrol had gone ahead to reconnoiter. Staff Sergeant Petersen, and three other members of the patrol immediately climbed a steep embankment, located, and deliberately attacked a superior enemy force. As a result of their determined fight, the patrol killed four Germans, captured eleven prisoners, four mortars and five machine guns. Interrogation of the prisoners revealed that they had been sent out to ambush the battalion of which Staff Sergeant Petersen was a member. The cool, aggressive action taken by Staff Sergeant Petersen, was a deciding factor in neutralizing the enemy outpost, and is worthy of much praise. Entered military service from Cranston, Rhode Island. Next of kin: Mrs. Harriett Petersen (Wife), 398 Wellington Avenue, Cranston, Rhode Island.

II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals:

LEO R. AMALA 20638462 CE, Technician Fourth Grade, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 11 October 1943, near Guardia, Italy. Under direct fire from enemy tanks, Technician Fourth Grade Amala constructed an essential by-pass around a demolished bridge. Assisted by another soldier who directed the use of the bulldozer operated by Technician Fourth Grade Amala, the task was accomplished in spite of three direct artillery hits on the by-pass. The machine was repeatedly struck by shell fragments during the operation, but work was not stopped until completed. Technician Fourth Grade Amala's courage and coolness reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Calumet, Michigan.

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EMMETT BOWDEN 20827823 INF, Sergeant (then Corporal), Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action 19 December 1943, near ~~Isgano, Italy~~. Sergeant Bowden, while on a reconnaissance patrol, heard an exchange of shots coming from a small hill where two officers from the patrol had gone ahead to reconnoiter. Sergeant Bowden and three other members of the patrol immediately climbed a steep embankment, located, and deliberately attacked a superior enemy force. As a result of their determined fight, the patrol killed four Germans, captured eleven prisoners, four mortars and five machine guns. Interrogation of the prisoners revealed that they had been sent out to ambush the battalion of which Sergeant Bowden was a member. The cool, aggressive action taken by Sergeant Bowden was a deciding factor in neutralizing the enemy outpost and is worthy of much praise. Entered military service from Okay, Oklahoma.

LEWIS W. COLIP 37203308 MC, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 8 December 1943, near ~~Rozzilli, Italy~~. Intense enemy artillery fire centered on the gun positions of the Cannon Company, killed five men of the first platoon and seriously wounded six others, including Private First Class. Colip, company aid man attached to the platoon. Although seriously wounded, Private First Class Colip crawled a distance of fifty yards through heavy enemy artillery fire and administered first aid to two of the seriously wounded men before submitting to medical treatment for his own wounds. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Colip are exemplary of the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Almena, Kansas.

ROBERT K. GRUMLEY 33296208 INF, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 December 1943, near ~~Isgano, Italy~~. Sergeant Grumley, while on a reconnaissance patrol heard an exchange of shots coming from a small hill where two officers from the patrol had gone ahead to reconnoiter. Sergeant Grumley and three other members of the patrol immediately climbed a steep embankment, located, and deliberately attacked a superior enemy force. As a result of their determined fight, the patrol killed four Germans, captured eleven prisoners, four mortars and five machine guns. Interrogation of the prisoners revealed that they had been sent out to ambush the battalion of which Sergeant Grumley was a member. The cool, aggressive action taken by Sergeant Grumley was a deciding factor in neutralizing the enemy outpost and is worthy of much praise. Entered military service from Johnsonburg, Pennsylvania.

JOHN J. HAGANY 36243541 FA, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action 21 February 1944, on the ~~Anzio Beachhead, Italy~~. During the third major attack on the beachhead, vital wire communications of his battalion were disrupted in several places by shell fire. Corporal Hagany, wire corporal, assisted a wire sergeant in repairing the breaks and restoring communications. After approximately two hours under intense shelling, during which Corporal Hagany was wounded, these two men re-established the communications which were essential to the breaking up of the enemy attack. Corporal Hagany's courage and devotion to duty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Kukuna, Wisconsin.

SHERMAN F. JONES 01683425 INF, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 February 1944, on the ~~Anzio Beachhead, Italy~~. When his platoon leader was mortally wounded as a result of enemy fire, Second Lieutenant Jones took over the complete leadership of the battalion anti-tank platoon. In spite of almost ceaseless enemy fire, Second Lieutenant Jones went about reorganizing his battered platoon. During this reorganization he also supervised the prompt evacuation of his wounded to areas where they could receive emergency medical treatment. When it became necessary for a rifle company to readjust its lines, Second Lieutenant Jones placed his guns in a position where he could cover the rifle company's readjustment. After the company was in a stable position he extracted his guns, and while still under enemy fire, placed his platoon in a defensive position giving excellent support to the front-line rifle units. The courageous action of Second Lieutenant Jones was responsible for alleviating the enemy pressure on his battalion and is worthy of high praise. Entered military service from Ada, Oklahoma.

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WAYNE A. LAWSON 38018234 FA, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 2 February 1944, on the ~~Anzio Beachhead, Italy~~. During the third major attack on the beachhead, vital wire communications of his battalion were disrupted in several places by shell fire. Sergeant Lawson, wire sergeant, assisted a wire corporal in repairing the breaks and restoring communications. After approximately two hours under intense shelling, during which Sergeant Lawson was wounded, these two men re-established the communications which were essential to the breaking up of the enemy attack. Sergeant Lawson's courage and devotion to duty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Miami, Oklahoma.

WILLIAM L. MARKS 35549336 INF, Sergeant, (then Private), Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 December 1943, near ~~Venafro, Italy~~. Sergeant Marks was gunner for a heavy machine gun squad attached to a rifle company which had attacked and taken a hill. Before the gains could be consolidated, the enemy launched a heavy counterattack. Sergeant Marks proceeded through heavy enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire, moving his machine gun to a point from which he could fire on the advancing enemy force. With the aid of a comrade, he put the gun in action, fired on and aided in repulsing the enemy. His determined action was in large part responsible for the success of his supported troops in regaining and holding the hill. Sergeant Marks' gallantry and devotion to duty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Elkhart, Indiana.

EUGENE SARKAN 35551740 INF, Private, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 December 1943, near ~~Mount Rotondo, Italy~~. When his company was heavily counterattacked, his platoon suffering severe casualties, Private Sarkan, automatic rifleman, remained in position and delivered effective fire on the enemy. Although subjected to intense fire and endangered by riflemen who infiltrated to within fifteen yards of his position, he continued firing until his ammunition was expended. Private Sarkan's courage and devotion to duty greatly aided in repulsing the enemy and are in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Republic, Ohio.

LUTHER H. THOMPSON 38017785 FA, Private, Battery B, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 30 December 1943, near ~~Venafro, Italy~~. Private Thompson was acting as radio operator in a forward observation party when the officer in charge was badly wounded by enemy shell fire. Private Thompson, though suffering from frozen feet, assumed the duties of the observer, delivering effective fire on enemy armor and troop concentrations. He remained at his post under heavy enemy fire, yielding to hospitalization only when assured that sufficient relief personnel had arrived to man the observation post. Private Thompson's actions exemplify the high tradition of the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

ANTHONY J. TOMASZEWSKI 33309104 CE, Private, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 11 October 1943, near ~~Cuardia, Italy~~. Under direct fire from enemy tanks Private Tomaszewski assisted in the construction of an essential by-pass around a demolished bridge. Guided by the signals of Private Tomaszewski, a bulldozer operator was able to complete the task in spite of three direct artillery hits on the by-pass. The machine was repeatedly struck by shell fragments during the operation but work was continued without interruption until completed. Private Tomaszewski's courage and coolness reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, FOR ACTS OF GALLANTRY IN ACTUAL COMBAT.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal, for acts of gallantry in actual combat, is awarded to the following individuals:

TRIS L. BIEDSOE 0327264l INF, Major (then Captain), 157th Infantry Regiment, ~~Sicily~~, as Company Commander, Heavy Weapons Company, and as Battalion Executive Officer, First Battalion, from 10 to 31 July 1943. Entered military service from Marlow, Oklahoma.

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NICK MELNICK 13055883 INF, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, as guide, platoon guide, from 20 to 22 February 1944. Entered military service from Berwick, Pennsylvania.

IV - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN ACTUAL COMBAT.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal, for meritorious service in actual combat, is awarded to the following individuals:

CHIEF T. SAUL 20829462 INF, First Sergeant, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, ~~Sicily~~ and ~~Italy~~, as First Sergeant from 10 July 1943 to 20 April 1944. Entered military service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

MAX E. THOMPSON 36125996 INF, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, as lineman on 26 March 1944. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

V - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF COMBAT OPERATIONS.

RAYMOND J. LEWANDOWSKI 32212564 INF, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, ~~Sicily~~ and ~~Italy~~, as draftsman from 10 July 1943 to 26 April 1944. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

By command of Major General EAGLES:

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 179th Infantry Regiment:

EARL D. SMITH 16020981 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company F, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

FRANCIS R. SMITH 11027909 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, [redacted], 4 April 1944. Home address: Oquossoc, Maine.

VICTOR H. SMITH 35759111 INF, Private, Company F, [redacted], 2 May 1944. Home address: Baltimore, Maryland.

RICHARD J. TAYLOR 31346014 [redacted], Private First Class, Medical Detachment, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Westfield, Massachusetts.

ANDREA TERSIGNI 36578302 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company C, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

JOHN W. THUMM 33555645 INF, Private First Class, Company A, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

FRANCIS O. TOUFONCE 31287917 INF, Private First Class, Company F, [redacted], 2 May 1944. Home address: Housatonic, Massachusetts.

HOWARD C. TOWNE 12055857 INF, Private First Class, Company I, [redacted], 2 May 1944. Home address: Syracuse, New York.

NORMAN P. TURNER 33731628 INF, Private First Class, Company L, [redacted], 6 May 1944. Home address: Hagerstown, Maryland.

JAMES B. VALENTINE 33792312 INF, Private, Company K, [redacted], 28 March 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

THOMAS P. WAGNER 32212179 INF, Private First Class, Company C, [redacted], 5 May 1944. Home address: Buffalo, New York.

JAMES H. WARDEN 36765087 INF, Private, Company F, [redacted], 9 April 1944. Home address: Hillsboro, Illinois.

EVERETT R. WHEELER 36449014 INF, Private, Company L, [redacted], 2 May 1944. Home address: Danville, Illinois.

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WILLIAM T. WHITE 39336318 INF, Private First Class, Company F, [redacted] 2 May 1944. Home address: Portland, Oregon.

CHARLES T. WILSON 31025188 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company H, [redacted] 2 May 1944. Home address: Ware, Massachusetts.

LOUIS WUYCIK 33792645 INF, Private, Company G, [redacted] 2 May 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General EAGLES:

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SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Amendment of General Orders

So much of General Orders 104, Headquarters 45th Infantry Division, dated 13 May 1944, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to James H. Warden, 36 765 887, which reads "Private" is amended to read "Private First Class."

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

W. H. Newman

Adjutant General

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AWard, Posthumous, of Silver Star Medal I
Award of Silver Star Medal II

I — AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following individual:

MONICO J. CORTEZ 37328384 INF (Armored Force), Corporal, Company B, 191st Tank Battalion, for gallantry in action on 25 April 1944, on the [redacted], Italy. Corporal Cortez halted his tank, while moving to a new position, to assist a wounded soldier. Though the area was under heavy enemy fire, he left the protection of his tank and placed the wounded man on the tank deck. Corporal Cortez ordered the driver to move on, and remained outside the tank to render first aid. While thus engaged, he was mortally wounded by a shell fragment. Corporal Cortez' gallantry and efforts in behalf of a fellow soldier reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Boulder, Colorado. Next of kin: Esteanislado Cortez (Father), Box #42, Gardner, Colorado.

II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals:

BERMAN L. ARTER 39082386 INF, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 December 1943, near [redacted], Italy. When the enemy launched a counter-attack preceded by intense artillery and mortar fire against the battalion's positions, all communication lines were severed. Staff Sergeant Arter, working under heavy fire, restored and maintained wire communications enabling observers to place effective fire on enemy troops and breaking up the counter-attack. Staff Sergeant Arter's courage and loyalty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from McCurtain, Oklahoma.

CLIFFORD R. AUSTIN 0408169 INF, Captain, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7 February 1944, on the [redacted], Italy. During a strong enemy counter-attack the unit on the right of Company L ran out of ammunition after prolonged firing of its weapons and was forced to give ground. Captain Austin personally directed the fire and readjustment of his squads and platoons in order to defend his position. In so doing it was necessary to expose himself to intense enemy fire as he moved from man to man. Although suffering from a severe knee wound, he continued in command until assured that his defenses were secure. Captain Austin's personal example and courage exemplify the high traditions of the armed services. Entered military service from Weymouth, Massachusetts.

DONAVAN J. BAILEY 35435395 MC, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 December 1943, near [redacted], Italy. During an attack by the company to which he was attached, Private First Class Bailey, an aid-man, was knocked unconscious by the concussion of a mortar shell. When he recovered consciousness, he found that all other aid-men had become casualties. Although still suffering from the effects of enemy shell fire, he went about under hostile mortar and small arms fire treating all wounded men in the company. He assured himself that all wounded had been treated and evacuated before he left the scene of the action. Private First Class Bailey's gallantry and devotion to duty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Huntington, West Virginia.

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JOHN L. DOLAN 31289300 INF, Private First Class, Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action 23 September 1943, near [redacted], Italy. While attacking an enemy strongpoint, Private First Class Dolan's platoon was halted by heavy fire from a machine gun nest. Working his way forward and using his rifle, Private First Class Dolan silenced the gun by killing one of the crew and wounding the other. A short time later he repeated his action, killing both crew members of a second machine gun nest with rifle fire. His courage and skill played a large part in the capture of the strongpoint and reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

JOSEPH J. DOBOSH 33367107 INF, Private First Class, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action 16 February 1944, on the [redacted] Beachhead, [redacted]. When a superior enemy force launched an attack against the company, Private First Class Dobosh moved two machine guns from a house being used as an outpost, and set them up under intense enemy fire in an open position from which he delivered accurate flanking fire on the enemy. By moving from one gun to the other for a period of two hours, and manning both guns without assistance he kept both guns in action and inflicted very heavy casualties on the enemy. The gallantry and courageous stand taken by Private First Class Dobosh exemplify the high traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania.

VESTAL E. HYDE 20826310 INF, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 May 1944, on the [redacted] Beachhead, [redacted]. Under intense enemy artillery fire, Technical Sergeant Hyde, even though wounded and dazed from a nearby shellburst, left the comparative safety of his platoon command post to repair essential communication lines between the battalion and company command posts, and gun positions. With utter disregard for his own safety and at the risk of his life, he continued to repair wire lines until all communications were restored. Only after his dangerous task was completed and he had dressed the wounds of one of his men did he consent to his own treatment. Technical Sergeant Hyde's heroic action restored vital communications at a critical time. His exemplary conduct in the face of great danger is deserving of high praise. Entered military service from Longrove, Oklahoma.

WALTER JINKENS JR 38006476 INF, Corporal, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action 17 February 1944, on the [redacted] Beachhead, [redacted]. On the night of 17 February, a moonlight night, Corporal Jinkens, Transportation Corporal, loaded trucks with ammunition, ration and medical supplies for front-line troops. Though his route was under direct observation of the enemy, and under heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire, Corporal Jinkens successfully guided his trucks through to the battalion. On his return trip he supervised loading of casualties and evacuated them to the supply base. Through his actions the battalion was supplied at an extremely critical time and the lives of many wounded were saved. Corporal Jinkens' gallantry and devotion to duty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Holyoke, Color

HENRY S. JORDAN 02055162 INF, First Lieutenant, Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action 1-10 May 1944, on the [redacted] Beachhead, Ital First Lieutenant Jordan maintained an observation post under heavy fire, alon within two hundred yards of the enemy lines. On three occasions he was partly buried by debris caused by shelling of the house in which his observation post was located. He maintained his own wire communications by crawling to breaks in his line to effect repairs when communications were disrupted by en artillery. First Lieutenant Jordan directed effective mortar fire on enemy positions throughout the ten day period. First Lieutenant Jordan's gallantry devotion to duty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Tahlequah, Oklahoma.

LESTER T. SNOW 01703061 FA, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Headquarters Battery, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action 13 September 1943, near [redacted], Italy. When an enemy counter-attack threatened battalion howitzer positions, Second Lieutenant Snow manned a .50 caliber mach gun in an open position offering an excellent field of fire. Though under ene small arms and mortar fire he placed extremely effective fire on the attacking enemy. He inflicted heavy casualties, silenced the fire of two machine guns and a mortar, and destroyed two enemy vehicles. Second Lieutenant Snow's courage and determination reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military serv from Tonkawa, Oklah

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JOHN J. ZYGMUNT 11039396 INF, Sergeant, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action 17 February 1944, on the [redacted], [redacted]. When attacked at daylight by a superior force of German infantry supported by tanks, Sergeant Zygmunt's company was in danger of being overrun. Direct tank fire prevented any attempt to occupy a more favorable defensive position. Sergeant Zygmunt moved forward across the exposed terrain to within twenty-five yards of the nearest tank and from this position he disabled the tank with three shots from his rocket launcher. While returning, he dispersed an enemy patrol by use of hand grenades. Covered by his actions, the company was enabled to make the necessary readjustment. Sergeant Zygmunt's courageous example was an inspiration to his comrades and reflects high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Manchester, New Hampshire.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals for wounds received in action:

ERIC J. HIRSCHMANN 32991844 INF, Private, Headquarters 45th Infantry Division, Italy, 29 February 1944. Home address: New York, New York.

HAROLD R. BOTSFORD 33355556 CAV, Private, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Italy, 15 December 1943. Home address: Benton, Pennsylvania.

WALTER L. LEMOS 31111927 CAV, Technician Fifth Grade, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Italy, 1 May 1944. Home address: Riverside, Rhode Island.

BENJAMIN MERLIN 32260407 CAV, Private, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Italy, 15 December 1943. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

JOSEPH A. MROCZEK 31074050 CAV, Corporal, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Italy, 8 December 1943. Home address: Webster, Massachusetts.

GEORGE W. NOVINGER 33198167 CAV, Corporal, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Italy, 18 December 1943. Home address: Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

DAVID ROCK 12192769 CAV, Private, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Italy, 21 November 1943. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

NELSON ROLLINS JR 37057848 CAV, Technician Fifth Grade, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Sicily, 10 July 1943. Home address: Clayton, Missouri.

HAROLD W. SCHACKNER 12042866 CAV, Private, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Italy, 21 November 1943. Home address: New York, New York.

SAMUEL J. YEO 36423221 CAV, Private, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Italy, 21 November 1943. Home address: Flint, Michigan.

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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart I
Award of the Purple Heart II
Amendment to General Orders Number 99 - Award of Bronze Star Medal III

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individual of the 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion for wounds received in action:

BERNARD SILVER 32263801 FA, Sergeant, Company B, [redacted] 3 May 1944. Home address: Burlington, New Jersey.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals for wounds received in action:

TIMOTHY E. BRANDON 35101487 CAC, Sergeant, Battery C, 106th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (SP), [redacted], 28 April 1944. Home address: St Charles, Kentucky.

FRANCIS J. BRENNAN 37421021 MC, Private, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, [redacted] 16 February 1944. Home address: Sioux City, Iowa.

ARTHUR C. DRUMMOND 33246111 CE, Technician, Fourth Grade, Headquarters and Service Company, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, [redacted], 29 February 1944. Home address: Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

DAVID J. EDWARDS JR 12090629 CE, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, [redacted] 5 May 1944. Home address: Jamaica, New York.

ROBERT S. FOX 33497549 FA, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: East Earl, Pennsylvania.

HENRY GILBERT 31111931 FA, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, [redacted] 3 May 1944. Home address: Rumford, Rhode Island.

ROY L. HAMMONDS 35101501 CAC, Private, Battery D, 106th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (SP), [redacted], 18 April 1944. Home address: Wickliffe, Kentucky.

GEORGE H. JACKSON 20833631 FA, Staff Sergeant, Battery B, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, [redacted], 15 November 1943. Home address: Chickasha, Oklahoma.

ALBERT G. JADRON 36117357 CAC, Private First Class, Battery D, 106th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (SP), [redacted], 18 April 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

HERBERT P. LAMBERT 20449735 FA, Private, Headquarters Battery, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, [redacted], 18 November 1943. Home address: Andrews, South Carolina.

CARL O. A. LINDH 31109845 CE, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, [redacted], 3 March 1944. Home address: Manchester, New Hampshire.

MILBURN S. LITTLE 20830997 FA, First Sergeant, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Italy, 11 September 1943. Home address: Kingfisher, Oklahoma.

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JOHN MASHER 20317159 FA, Private, Battery B, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, [redacted], 5 January 1944. Home address: Pittston, Pennsylvania.

GEORGE P. MORAWCZYK 35111815 FA, Private First Class, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Parma, Ohio.

HERMAN L. RATHERT 35111414 FA, Private First Class, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, [redacted], 20 November 1943. Home address: Indianapolis, Indiana.

BERNARD SILVER 32263801 FA, Sergeant, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, [redacted], 6 February 1944. Home address: Burlington, New Jersey.

CECIL B. SMITH 20833680 FA, Private, Battery B, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, [redacted], 19 February 1944. Home address: Chickasha, Oklahoma.

EUGENE C. STILLMOCK 37119344 FA, Private First Class, Battery A, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, [redacted], 28 February 1944. Home address: Omaha, Nebraska.

ALVIN F. WILLE 32745694 CE, Private, Company B, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, [redacted], 4 November 1943. Home address: Gloversville, New York.

KENNETH H. WOOD 32192818 FA, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, [redacted], 2 May 1944. Home address: Delanson, New York.

III - AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 99 - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

So much of General Orders Number 99, Section VI, Award of Bronze Star Medal, for Meritorious Service in Actual Combat, this headquarters, cs, as reads, "WARREN W. BENKWITT 32837062", is amended to read "WARREN W. BENKWITT 32827062".

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart I
Award of the Purple Heart II

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individual of the 157th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

MIKE GIOVINAZZO 32209085 INF, Sergeant, Company E, [redacted], 29 March 1944. Home address: New Brighton, Staten Island, New York.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 157th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

ALDEN L. ABBOTT 20838340 INF, Corporal, Company G, [redacted], 29 November 1943. Home address: Boulder, Colorado.

ARTURO ANTONMATTEI 12057383 INF, Private First Class, Company K, [redacted], 18 November 1943. Home address: New York, New York.

ANGELO BERNARDI 32867500 INF, Private, Company G, [redacted], 10 May 1944. Home address: Mount Vernon, New York.

EUSEBIUS BOSSERT 37555612 INF, Private First Class, Company I, [redacted], 19 November 1943. Home address: Strasbury, North Dakota.

JAMES CAUDILL 15112142 INF, Private First Class, Company K, [redacted], 18 November 1943. Home address: Farler, Kentucky.

CLARENCE J. CLARK 34076345 INF, Sergeant, Company G, [redacted], 24 November 1943. Home address: Big Bend, Louisiana.

WALLACE O. DE VRIES JR 0445421 INF, First Lieutenant, Company K, [redacted], 19 November 1943. Home address: Casper, Wyoming.

LADISLAUS S. DOMBROWSKI 36652238 INF, Private First Class, Company C, [redacted], 10 May 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

WINSTON E. FLYNN 31287358 INF, Private, Company F, [redacted], 21 November 1943. Home address: Greenfield, Massachusetts.

JOHN A. GILBERT 38276638 INF, Private First Class, Company I, [redacted], 18 November 1943. Home address: Paul's Valley, Oklahoma.

JASEL I. HAGER 34170147 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company F, [redacted], 19 November 1943. Home address: Mooresville, North Carolina.

JOSEPH MITKOWSKI 31287316 INF, Private, Company F, [redacted], 10 May 1944. Home address: Springfield, Massachusetts.

JOHN NEKRAI 32769487 INF, Private, Company F, [redacted], 9 May 1944. Home address: Roselle, New Jersey.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart I
Award of the Purple Heart II

1 -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 180th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

CLEVELAND MICHAUD 38483423 INF, Private First Class, Company K, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Sunset, Louisiana.

JOE J. PLESE 38010336 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company A, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Gallup, New Mexico.

ELY SYETTA 32204989 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 180th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

MORRIS BERGMAN 32885734 INF, Private First Class, Company K, [redacted], 10 May 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN F. CABLE 36445517 INF, Corporal, Company F, [redacted], 25 March 1944. Home address: Chenoa, Illinois.

THOMAS A. DUNLAP 14039915 MC, Private, Medical Detachment, [redacted], 24 November 1943. Home address: Union Town, Alabama.

FRANCIS J. FOLEY 11048035 INF, Private First Class, Company C, [redacted], 9 March 1944. Home address: South Boston, Massachusetts.

JESSIE C. FREEMAN 38338574 INF, Private First Class, Anti-Tank Company, [redacted], 16 March 1944. Home address: Plainview, Texas.

JOHN H. INSPRUCKER 35316690 INF, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, [redacted], 6 April 1944. Home address: Toledo, Ohio.

JUAN M. LARA 38067510 INF, Private First Class, Company G, [redacted], 25 July 1943. Home address: Pecos, Texas.

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LESTER R. MAENPA 39026511 MC, Private, Medical Detachment, [redacted], 30 December 1943. Home address: Reno, Nevada.

ALBERT PLANTE 31383824 INF, Private First Class, Company K, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Woonsocket, Rhode Island.

DAVID SOUTHARD 20830167 INF, Private First Class, Company M, [redacted], 5 December 1943. Home address: Proctor, Oklahoma.

FRANK L. TALLON 34210757 MC, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, [redacted], 15 November 1943. Home address: Greenville, South Carolina.

ALBERT J. THOMAS 20827337 INF, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Company, [redacted], 3 May 1944. Home address: Muskogee, Oklahoma.

VINCENT J. TUOHEY 01290159 INF, First Lieutenant, Company A, [redacted], 18 February 1944. Home address: Jersey City, New Jersey.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded to the foll wing individuals:

FRANK DULMOVITS 32218434 INF, Sergeant (then Private), Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 13 September 1943 near Perseano, Italy. During an enemy counter-attack Sergeant Dulmovits' company was forced to adjust its position to protect its flank. During this operation Sergeant Dulmovits saw two enemy machine guns being set up in a position from which they could deliver effective fire on the company. He moved forward under heavy artillery and mortar fire to a position from which he was able to silence the fire of both guns with his automatic rifle, killing several members of the gun crews and causing the rest to withdraw in disorder. He then worked his way through enemy troops who had infiltrated to his rear, rejoined his company and continued the fight which resulted in repulse of the enemy attack. Sergeant Dulmovits' courage and devotion to duty reflect high credit on the armed forces. Entered military service from New York, New York.

WALTER A. NAGEL 32212501 INF, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 February 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. When Sergeant Nagel's position was attacked by a numerically superior and highly trained force, he not only directed the squad of men without previous combat training in repelling the attack but engaged the enemy personally at close range with small arms and grenades. He killed one German with a hand grenade, then with rifle and hand grenade led his men in killing or wounding an additional thirteen. By his action Sergeant Nagel prevented a penetration of the position at a time when all reserves of his company had been committed. Sergeant Nagel's courage and leadership reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

ERVIN W. VANDERPOOL 38005215 INF, Staff Sergeant (then Private), Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 23 September 1943 near Oliveto, Italy. Staff Sergeant Vanderpool was a rifleman in a squad engaged in a flanking attack against an enemy position. When an enemy vehicle approached his position, Staff Sergeant Vanderpool, while under fire from enemy machine guns, with his rifle killed the driver and six occupants. He then crossed an open area under enemy machine gun fire to provide information which made possible the laying of accurate mortar fire on enemy forces which he had observed and to procure aid for his wounded squad leader. Upon his return to his squad he directed additional fire on the opposing enemy which assisted the company in taking its objective. Staff Sergeant Vanderpool's gallantry and leadership reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Olathe, Colorado.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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Award of the Fifth Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart. . . . . I.
Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart. II
Award of the Purple Heart III

I — AWARD OF THE FIFTH BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the fifth Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individual of the 179th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

CHARLES C. CRAVENS 20825921 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company F, Italy, 2 May 1944. Home address: Konawa, Oklahoma.

II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following individuals for wounds received in action:

JOHN L. McGINNIS 0422060 INF, Captain, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 10 October 1943. Home address: Craig, Colorado.

CHESTER J. NIEDBALA 36587425 INF, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 11 May 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

JAMES B. TRAINOR 11027904 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 9 May 1944. Home address: Waterville, Maine.

So much of General Orders Number 35, Award of the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart, this headquarters, cs, pertaining to GEORGE F. EVANS 01287686 INF, First Lieutenant, 179th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

III -AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals for wounds received in action:

STANLEY C. BLAISE 32942388 INF, Private, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 8 May 1944. Home address: Keeseville, New York.

DOMINICK F. CHIARELLO 20239445 MC, Private, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 21 February 1944. Home address: Trenton, New Jersey.

JIME Y. CHOW 34871913 INF, Private, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 14 May 1944. Home address: Greenville, Mississippi.

CARL E. DALKERT JR 36561197 CE, Private, Company B, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 18 May 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

GEORGE F. EVANS 01287686 INF, First Lieutenant, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 17 February 1944. Home address: San Antonio, Texas.

WILLIAM A. GILL JR 33792599 INF, Private, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 7 April 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CECIL D. GILLESPIE 35771150 INF, Private, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 7 April 1944. Home address: McHegan, West Virginia.

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SAMUEL T. HAYNES 34063409 CE, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 18 May 1944. Home address: Kingsport, Tennessee.

WILLIAM K. HORTON 39336322 MC, Private, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 10 May 1944. Home address: Portland, Oregon.

MEREDITH D. LOKERSON 32755824 INF, Private, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 16 February 1944. Home address: West Belmar, New Jersey.

HUGH W. PARKER 20835538 MC, First Sergeant, Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, Italy, 7 February 1944. Home address: Tulsa, Oklahoma.

WILLIAM F. PARSON JR 14013158 INF, Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, Sicily, 26 July 1943. Home address: Verbena, Alabama.

JOHN B. PHILLIPS 34706078 INF, Private, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 14 May 1944. Home address: Megargel, Alabama.

CLINTON D. PULLEN 36582973 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 20 February 1944. Home address: Pontiac, Michigan.

RANSOM QUEEN 34760569 INF, Private First Class, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 20 February 1944. Home address: Cleveland, Georgia.

WILLIAM T. SAIN 38283233 INF, Private First Class, Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 18 February 1944. Home address: Irving, Texas.

HUBERT A. SPURGIN 20837385 INF, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 14 May 1944. Home address: Craig, Colorado.

PHOCEAN C. TAYLOR 38176694 MC, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 20 March 1944. Home address: El Dorado, Arkansas.

JAMES B. TRAINOR 11027904 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 14 February 1944. Home address: Waterville, Maine.

JEAN M. UNTERBERGER 01300554 INF, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 20 February 1944. Home address: Doniphan, Missouri.

WALFRED A. VANLQUIST 11000063 INF, Private, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 3 May 1944. Home address: Bennington, Vermont.

WILLIAM J. WARNER 36581920 INF, Private First Class, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 12 May 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

So much of General Orders Number 76, Award of the Purple Heart, this headquarters, cs, pertaining to FRANK J SITTER 38016142 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star Medal I
Award of the Silv Star Medal II

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE SILVER STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following individual:

BENJAMIN A. BLACKMER 01287652 INF, First Lieutenant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17-18 February 1944 on the ~~Anzio Beachhead, Italy~~. Assuming command of a rifle company during a heavy enemy attack, First Lieutenant Blackmer, upon joining the unit found the situation critical. Both flanks were exposed and the enemy was established in rear of the position. First Lieutenant Blackmer immediately organized his company for a determined defense, and led them in driving off the enemy assaults. By his personal example under fire and going about his unit offering encouragement and sound leadership, First Lieutenant Blackmer inspired his men to hold their position against great odds. When he received an order to readjust his lines, he led his men in a vigorous rear-guard action, which was fought in waist-deep water, and successfully brought his men to the new positions. The gallantry, leadership, and determined fighting spirit demonstrated by First Lieutenant Blackmer are in keeping with the high traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Rutland, Vermont.

II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals:

RICHARD H. AMIDON 36423251 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 February 1944 on the ~~Anzio Beachhead, Italy~~. When the Second Battalion was virtually surrounded by enemy forces and being subjected to extremely heavy artillery, mortar and tank fire, Private Amidon, with four others, delivered necessary rations to the Battalion Command Post. Upon reaching the Battalion Command Post, Private Amidon and another soldier continued under intense machine gun and rifle fire to the position of Company E where they distributed rations to the individual men in their foxholes. When he heard the cries of several wounded soldiers in advance of the front lines, he and his companion located the injured men, placed them on an abandoned truck, and successfully evacuated eleven men, ten of whom survived. Private Amidon's courage and devotion to duty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Flint, Michigan.

ROLLA T. CREEL 35660375 INF, Private, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 February 1944 on the ~~Anzio Beachhead, Italy~~. On the night of 18 February Private Creel was serving on outpost duty protecting the rear of the company sector. When, during a routine patrol mission some distance from the outpost, he observed an enemy patrol consisting of twelve men approaching the company command post from the rear, he immediately attacked the patrol. By his excellent marksmanship he succeeded in dispersing the infiltrating enemy, causing several casualties and taking three prisoners. The courageous action taken by Private Creel prevented an attack on the company command post. Private Creel's gallantry and determination are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Parkersburg, West Virginia.

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RAYMOND H. FURCHT 20838531 MC, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 13 September 1943 near [redacted]. During the heavy fighting of the Salerno Beachhead, Technician Fifth Grade Furcht, accompanied by his commanding officer, drove a quarter-ton truck down a road which was under heavy enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire in an effort to reach some wounded men. When the truck was disabled by a burst from a German machine gun, he gathered up medical supplies, including plasma, and ran across an open field which was under enemy observation and heavy fire. He assisted in administering blood plasma and first aid to all the wounded in this sector while under intense enemy fire. Even though wounded by shell fragments, Technician Fifth Grade Furcht continued to aid in the evacuation of the others. His gallant action was essential to the successful evacuation of three wounded men who would otherwise have lost their lives. The courageous actions of Technician Fifth Grade Furcht undoubtedly saved the lives of wounded men and are in keeping with the high ideals of the military service. Entered military service from Longmont, Colorado.

PALMER C. McCRACKEN 33532070 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 February 1944 on the [redacted]. When the Second Battalion was virtually surrounded by enemy forces and being subjected to extremely heavy artillery, mortar, and tank fire, Private McCracken, with four others, delivered necessary rations to the Battalion Command Post. Upon reaching the Battalion Command Post, Private McCracken and another soldier continued under intense machine gun and rifle fire to the positions of Company E where they distributed rations to the individual men in their foxholes. When he heard the cries of several wounded soldiers in advance of the front lines, he and his companion located the injured men, placed them on an abandoned truck and successfully evacuated eleven men, ten of whom survived. Private McCracken's courage and devotion to duty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Marion, Virginia.

DALE D. McFARLIN 20839342 INF, First Sergeant, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7-8 February 1944 on the [redacted]. During a fierce and determined enemy counter-attack against the regiment in the crucial stage of the establishment of the Beachhead, First Sergeant McFarlin discovered that personnel for supplying the weapons of the company with ammunition were not available. He immediately enlisted the aid of two enlisted men of his company and proceeded to supply these weapons with ammunition. Throughout the night while under constant enemy artillery, mortar, and tank fire First Sergeant McFarlin supervised the supply. When his two assistants were knocked out by concussion from tank shells land[illegible] nearby, he carried on alone without regard for his own personal safety an[illegible]ut rest or relief. The initiative and daring courage displayed by Fi[illegible]eant McFarlin in this crucial situati[illegible] enable[illegible] company to repulse [illegible]emy and assist the battalion in maintaining its position. Entered military service from Brush, Colorado.

LLOYD M. SMITH 20826579 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 December 1943 near [redacted]. When a well emplaced enemy machine gun blocked the advance of his company during an attack on a hill, Technical Sergeant Smith deployed his platoon and, armed with four grenades, moved alon[illegible]ver open terrain under enemy fire to a position near the enemy gun. He attack[illegible] with his grenades, disabling the gun and killing the crew. This courageous action cleared the way for the rest of his unit and made possible successful occupation of the objective. Technical Sergeant Smith's gallantry and loyalty to duty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Stillwater, Oklahoma.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart I
Award of the Purple Heart II

I — AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 160th Field Artillery Battalion for wounds received in action:

JOHN J. KUCENSKI 31124366 FA, Private, Headquarters Battery, Italy, 12 April 1944. Home address: New Haven, Connecticut.

JOSEPH H. LA BELLO 36038694 MC, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, Italy, 15 May 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

DELBERT H. MILLER 38017714 FA, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, Italy, 1 April 1944. Home address: Cleveland, Oklahoma.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 160th Field Artillery Battalion for wounds received in action:

CLARENCE P. ACKERMAN 6994050 FA, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery B, Italy, 15 May 1944. Home address: McSherrystown, Pennsylvania.

CARL J. ALBRECHT 36370345 FA, Private, Battery B, Italy, 15 May 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

KENNETH H. BARTON 20831980 MC, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, Italy, 14 April 1944. Home address: Seminole, Oklahoma.

JACK C. CHASTAIN 20833072 FA, Private, Headquarters Battery, Italy, 14 April 1944. Home address: Stroud, Oklahoma.

OLLIE J. DAVIDSON 20832438 FA, Staff Sergeant, Battery C, Italy, 15 May 1944. Home address: Ada, Oklahoma.

SABINO S. DE CHRISTOFARO FA, Private, Battery A, Italy, 27 April 1944. Home address: Providence, Rhode Island.

ELTON T. DUNCAN 6367698 FA, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, Italy, 1 April 1944. Home address: Pensacola, Florida.

SHIRLEY K. FLATT 20832916 FA, Staff Sergeant, Service Battery, Italy, 9 May 1944. Home address: Levelland, Texas.

HOBERT A. HENRY 34083467 FA, Corporal, Battery B, Italy, 15 May 1944. Home address: Crab Orchard, Tennessee.

THOMAS L. IVEY 20832054 FA, Private, Battery C, Italy, 3 May 1944. Home address: Roff, Oklahoma.

WILLIAM M. KEE 34083488 FA, Private First Class, Battery C, Italy, 12 May 1944. Home address: Grantville, Georgia.

FRANK H. KELLEY 34151171 FA, Private, Battery C, Italy, 13 April 1944. Home address: Alexandria, Louisiana.

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AUGUST KUST 32197493 FA, Private, Battery C, Italy, 21 April 1944. Home address: New York, New York.

MONROE D. LITTLE 0346973 FA, Captain, Battery B, Italy, 14 April 1944. Home address: Vian~~o~~ka, Oklahoma.

MICHAEL LOVRICH 35020362 FA, Private, Headquarters Battery, Italy, 3 April 1944. Home address: Youngstown, Ohio.

DENNIS F. MELLO JR 31060755 FA, Private First Class, Battery A, Italy, 3 April 1944. Home address: North Tiverton, Rhode Island.

PEARY E. MEISZ 35102280 FA, Private, Headquarters Battery, Italy, 8 April 1944. Home address: Madisonville, Kentucky.

PHILLIP D. PEARCO 01173012 FA, First Lieutenant, Battery A, Italy, 1 May 1944. Home address: Zebulon, North Carolina.

LEO A. PEDONE 31135047 FA, Private First Class, Battery A, Italy, 27 April 1944. Home address: Boston, Massachusetts.

EWIN T. PASHELK 36244342 FA, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, Italy, 9 April 1944. Home address: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

ALBERT F. SAVAGE 33424787 FA, Private, Service Battery, Italy, 8 April 1944. Home address: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

BENJAMIN F. SCHNEIDER 36024740 FA, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, Italy, 16 April 1944. Home address: Streator, Illinois.

GEORGE W. TURNER 20535619 FA, Private, Battery B, Italy, 30 April 1944. Home address: Louisville, Kentucky.

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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart I
Award of the Purple Heart II

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individual of the 157th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

JACK C. DIXON 01308114 INF, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, Italy, 15 February 1944. Home address: Pullman, Washington.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals for wounds received in action:

PHILLIP BENSON SR 37666092 INF, Private, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 16 February 1944. Home address: Tama, Iowa.

VERNON C. BERHOW 16155529 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 19 March 1944. Home address: Merrill, Wisconsin.

MARVIN BOLKAN 37252124 INF, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 12 May 1944. Home address: Raub, North Dakota.

RICHARD E. BORTNER 33580339 FA, Private, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Italy, 16 May 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT C. BURROUGHS 31353952 INF, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 15 May 1944. Home address: Comer, Georgia.

RAYMOND C. DAVIS 38011032 INF, Private First Class, Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 5 May 1944. Home address: New Gallup, New Mexico.

FREDERICK W. DUNLAP 20825972 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 18 May 1944. Home address: Konawa, Oklahoma.

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ANTHONY P. ISADORE 36759436 INF, Private, Anti-Tank Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 18 May 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

BENTON C. JACKSON 38172269 CE, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, ~~Sicily~~, 10 July 1943. Home address: Valley Park, Mississippi.

ALPHONSE B. KNOTT 37608151 INF, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 17 February 1944. Home address: Perryville, Missouri.

PETER H. MEENGS 36459422 INF, Private First Class, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 17 May 1944. Home address: Zeeland, Michigan.

EDWARD A. PEKALA 33792507 INF, Private, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 14 May 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM F. RETHMEIER 37663816 INF, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 24 January 1944. Home address: Dunlap, Iowa.

RALPH J. SCOGGIN 37565775 INF, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 9 May 1944. Home address: Fargo, North Dakota.

FRANK A. ZAREMBA 33687425 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion 180th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 12 May 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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Award of the Silver Star Medal I
Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart II
Award of the Purple Heart III

I -- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals: -

GEORGE D. KESSLER 0427849 INF, Captain, Headquarters Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 February 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. When his Battalion sustained a strong night attack by an enemy force which had infiltrated to the rear of the Battalion Command Post, Captain Kessler, Battalion S-3, quickly organized the defenses of the Command Post to meet the situation, moving through the area under intense small arms and hand grenade fire, to direct the fire of his troops. Under his leadership a strong enemy attack at an extremely critical time was repulsed. Captain Kessler's courageous actions reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Craig, Colorado.

FRANCIS J. SCHLEIFER 01036717 CWS, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company B, 83d Chemical Battalion, for gallantry in action on 18 February 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. When an enemy attack of threatening proportions had developed near an overpass, First Lieutenant Schleifer, acting as forward observer for the Company, found that the only area from which he could observe for effective fire was on the overpass. This landmark was under heavy shellfire from enemy artillery and tanks. He adjusted extremely effective mortar fire on enemy forces throughout the day, disabling three tanks and forcing withdrawal of attacking infantry supported by armor. First Lieutenant Schleifer's gallantry and devotion to duty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

ARTHUR SHAINHOUSE 01689307 MC, Captain, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 21-22 September 1943 near Chiusano, Italy. On two occasions, Captain Shainhouse led a group of aid-men forward under heavy enemy fire to the assistance of another organization. He gave medical attention to all wounded men, and made sure that all were evacuated before returning to his aid station. His prompt medical attention undoubtedly saved the lives of many in both groups of men attended. Captain Shainhouse's courage and devotion to duty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded the following individuals of the 179th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

ROBERT L. HEALY 33131099 INF, Sergeant, Company F, Italy, 13 May 1944. Home address: Baltimore, Maryland.

ROBERT S. TYUS 38531227 INF, Private First Class, Company F, Italy, 11 May 1944. Home address: Madisonville, Texas.

III - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 179th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

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JOHN J. ANCONE 32876203 INF, Private First Class, Company D, [redacted], 19 May 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

ARTHUR B. CHILDERS 38018318 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company D, [redacted], 14 February 1944. Home address: Finley, Oklahoma.

CHARLES KOZLOWSKI 31060993 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company L, [redacted], 18 May 1944. Home address: Brockton, Massachusetts.

WILLIAM C. POWELL 36456942 INF, Private, Company F, [redacted], 11 May 1944. Home address: Munising, Michigan.

JOHN SIMONETTI 32875046 INF, Private First Class, Company F, [redacted], 13 May 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

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Award of the Silver Star Medal I
Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart II
Award of the Purple Heart III

I -- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals:

WARREN A. LA FEVERS 0329575 INF, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17-18 February 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. Captain La Fevers left a staff position to take command of a rifle company which was in a disorganized condition. He went about the company positions visiting and encouraging his men and checking the defense. He quickly restored the fighting efficiency of the company. In addition to inspiring his men to a gallant defense of their positions, he directed artillery and mortar fire from an exposed position in open terrain under intense enemy fire for an unbroken stretch of ten hours until the savage attack was repulsed. The leadership and gallantry of Captain La Fevers were reflected in the high combat efficiency of his men and in the successful defense of the position. Entered military service from McAlester, Oklahoma.

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JAMES M. PHIPPS 33089660 INF, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 3-4 November 1943 near Rocco Pipirozzi, Italy. When an enemy counter-attack threatened the leading company of his battalion, Staff Sergeant Phipps placed his light machine gun section in position to support the company. Staff Sergeant Phipps sustained a severe leg wound but remained with his guns under very heavy fire, directing the fire of his section as well as that of the company's mortar section throughout a successful day-long fight, inflicting numerous casualties on the enemy. Staff Sergeant Phipps' gallantry and devotion to duty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Danville, Virginia.

II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded the following individuals of the 180th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

JOSEPH E. FLYNN 31312671 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company C, Italy, 19 May 1944. Home address: Unionville, Connecticut.

KENNETH W. HATTON 35691559 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, Italy, 20 May 1944. Home address: Austin, Indiana.

RAYMOND J. NORATEL 33131115 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, Italy, 20 May 1944. Home address: Baltimore, Maryland.

III -AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 180th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

CLYDE ALBRITTON 34107360 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Italy, 17 May 1944. Home address: Nokomis, Alabama.

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JAMES D. DAVENPORT JR 0443143 INF, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, Italy, 19 May 1944. Home address: Louisville, Kentucky.

EDWARD W. DOLSTEIN 37528768 INF, Private, Company B, Italy, 16 May 1944. Home address: Versailles, Missouri.

WILBERT W. KERO 36579590 INF, Private First Class, Company K, Italy, 15 May 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

RAYMOND J. NORATEL 33131115 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, Italy, 9 October 1943. Home address: Baltimore, Maryland.

HAROLD W. PATTERSON 33100243 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company H, Italy, 22 December 1943. Home address: Danville, Pennsylvania.

SHELTON RICHIE 35127119 INF, Sergeant, Company B, Italy, 20 May 1944. Home address: Lunah, Kentucky.

ALVIN B. SANDS 20820872 INF, Sergeant, Company D, Italy, 16 May 1944. Home address: Okemah, Oklahoma.

HENRY J. WACHTER 32193719 INF, Private First Class, Company H, Italy, 20 May 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart I
Award of the Purple Heart II

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals for wounds received in action:

EDWARD C. CHERMAK 6863977 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 9 May 1944. Home address: Hopkins, Minnesota.

THOMAS C. COLOMBO 32219218 INF, Private First Class, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 29 February 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

LUDVIG H. HANSON 37027170 INF, Private, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, Tunisia, 2 May 1943. Home address: Fort Ransom, North Dakota.

HERBERT R. MALLORY 01305081 INF, Second Lieutenant, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 24 March 1944. Home address: Akron, Ohio.

JOHN M. McNAUGHT 36854917 INF, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 11 May 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

FREDRICK J. PETRY JR 32180840 MC, Private, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 10 May 1944. Home address: New York, New York.

MICHAEL J. SAMMARTINO 42021775 INF, Private, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 18 May 1944. Home address: Dunkirk, New York.

CARL T. SHUMATE 38017209 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 11 May 1944. Home address: Lone Wolfe, Oklahoma.

LOUIS VUYCIK 33792645 INF, Private, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 11 May 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals for wounds received in action:

THOMAS R. ADDERHOLT 6395792 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 23 February 1944. Home address: Atlanta, Georgia.

DOMENIC BRIGANDI 33139387 INF, Private First Class, Anti-Tank Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 11 September 1943. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JACK L. BURGESS 20838706 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 31 December 1943. Home address: Fort Collins, Colorado.

EDWARD C. CHERMAK 6863977 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 29 March 1944. Home address: Hopkins, Minnesota.

JOHN D. COLE 35019335 FA, Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, Italy, 19 May 1944. Home address: Toledo, Ohio.

PRICE COLLEY 38017340 FA, Corporal, Service Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, Italy, 16 May 1944. Home address: La Russell, Missouri.

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THOMAS C. COLOMBO 32219218 INF, Private First Class, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 16 February 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

ERVIN M. ELLIS 14163217 INF, Private, Cannon Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 14 April 1944. Home address: Jakin, Georgia.

CHARLES T. ELY 0386303 INF, First Lieutenant, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 3 April 1944. Home address: San Francisco, California.

ALEX EVANISZYK 12055702 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 1 April 1944. Home address: Syracuse, New York.

DARRELL E. KINNICK 20830867 FA, Private, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, Italy, 11 October 1943. Home address: Stigler, Oklahoma.

WILBUR W. LONG 35162949 FA, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, Italy, 11 October 1943. Home address: Millersburg, Indiana

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* WALLACE T. MINNICH 33562839 INF, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 10 May 1944. Home address: Hagerstown, Maryland.

JOHN P PANKUCH 33203101 INF, Sergeant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 12 May 1944. Home address: Washington, D. C.

JUAN QUIROZ 38123470 INF, Corporal, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 16 May 1944. Home address: Presidio, Texas.

HERSCHEL E. RITTENHOUSE 36478491 INF, Private First Class, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 11 April 1944. Home address: Macomb, Illinois.

CHESTER F. RUSKOWSKI 35756501 INF, Private First Class, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 4 April 1944. Home address: Wheeling, West Virginia.

ROBERT L. SALES 37022880 FA, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Brainerd, Minnesota.

WILMONT G. SELLAR 11039115 INF, Private First Class, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 21 May 1944. Home address: Warner, New Hampshire.

GUSTAV L. SJOSTEDT 31369926 INF, Private, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 17 May 1944. Home address: Winchester, Massachusetts.

GEORGE SMITH 33698202 INF, Private, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 21 May 1944. Home address: Butler, Pennsylvania.

HARRY B. SOKAL 32881883 MC, Private, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, Italy, 5 May 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

FLOYD R. UTTER 42005914 INF, Private First Class, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 2 May 1944. Home address: Rockaway, New Jersey.

JULIO E. VALENZUELA 20844942 INF, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 28 October 1943. Home address: Nogales, Arizona.

WALTER E. WILSON 33634237 INF, Private First Class, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 10 May 1944. Home address: Amelia, Virginia.

So much of General Orders Number 107, Section II, Award of the Purple Heart, cs, pertaining to ARTHUR C. DRUMMOND 33246111 CE, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters and Service Company, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, and ALVIN F. WILLE 32745694 CE, Private, Company B, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, is hereby revoked.

So much of General Orders Number 113, Section II, Award of the Purple Heart, cs, pertaining to HOBART A. HENRY 34083467 FA, Corporal, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, is hereby revoked.

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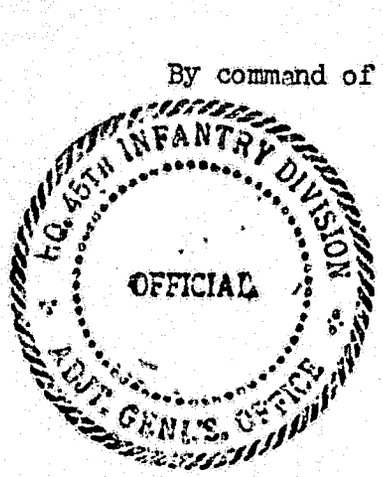

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart I
Award of the Purple Heart II

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals for wounds received in action:

PAUL P. BOTTONI 6915195 MC, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 15 May 1944. Home address: Maribel, Wisconsin.

DOMINICK F. CHIARELLO 20239445 MC, Private, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 13 May 1944. Home address: Trenton, New Jersey.

WILBUR J. ESLINGER 36656440 CAV, Private, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, ~~Italy~~, 20 February 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

DANNY B. MARSHALL 20826984 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 15 February 1944. Home address: Holdenville, Oklahoma.

DANNY B. MARSHALL 20826984 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 18 April 1944. Home address: Holdenville, Oklahoma.

DANNY B. MARSHALL 20826984 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 23 May 1944. Home address: Holdenville, Oklahoma.

ROBERT A. ROYSDEN 20825543 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 29 March 1944. Home address: Norman, Oklahoma.

EMIL C. SANDERS 18057401 MC, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 21 May 1944. Home address: Yoakum, Texas.

GILBERT J. WHITE 20829718 CAV, Private First Class, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, ~~Italy~~, 2 January 1944. Home address: McAlester, Oklahoma.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals for wounds received in action:

ELVIN W. ADAIR 20823659 SC, Sergeant, 45th Signal Company, ~~Italy~~, 29 February 1944. Home address: Taloga, Oklahoma.

FRED K. COULSON 33181396 CAV, Sergeant, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, ~~Italy~~, 20 December 1943. Home address: Oakland, Maryland.

JOSE A. DOMINGUEZ 30010959 CE, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Clayton, New Mexico.

JOHN G. FRIED 32752984 INF, Private, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 15 December 1943. Home address: Laurel Springs, New Jersey.

EDWIN T. GORDON 33092678 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 21 February 1944. Home address: Crandon, Virginia.

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OLE H. KNUTSON 36805749 CAV, Private First Class, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, ~~Italy~~, 30 December 1943. Home address: Waukesha, Wisconsin.

DANNY B. MARSHALL 20826984 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 15 October 1943. Home address: Holdenville, Oklahoma.

ARTHUR PEARCE 20823586 CMP, Private, Military Police Platoon, 45th Infantry Division, ~~Italy~~, 29 February 1944. Home address: Marlow, Oklahoma.

JOHN E. PHILHOWER 35461141 CAV, Private First Class, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, ~~Italy~~, 21 November 1943. Home address: Cozaddale, Ohio.

THOMAS M. RIDER 33230114 SC, Private First Class, 45th Signal Company, ~~Italy~~, 6 February 1944. Home address: Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

EMIL C. SANDERS 18057401 MC, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 4 May 1944. Home address: Yoakum, Texas.

CHESTER J. SHIMKOSKI 31261124 CAV, Private, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, ~~Italy~~, 10 December 1943. Home address: Worcester, Massachusetts.

FREDDIE E. SPICE 35714098 INF, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 23 May 1944. Home address: Bloomfield, Indiana.

LESTER L. TABOR 34494085 INF, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 20 May 1944. Home address: Crossville, Tennessee.

ALFRED WASZKIEWICZ 31380103 INF, Private First Class, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 3 May 1944. Home address: Norwich, Connecticut.

GLENN R. WRIGHT 0420211 MC, Captain, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 2 May 1944. Home address: Lincoln, Nebraska.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 119)

Award of the Silver Star Medal I
Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart II
Award of the Purple Heart III

I -- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following individual:

KARL BRENNEMAN 10600747 INF, Private First Class, Company , 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 May 1944 on the ~~Anzio Beachhead, Italy.~~ Private First Class Brenneman was a member of a combat patrol which came upon an enemy position occupied by approximately twenty Germans and immediately engaged them in an intense fire fight. During the action the patrol suffered four casualties. Private First Class Brenneman left his covered position to aid a seriously wounded soldier who had fallen under the terrific machine gun fire and was lying in an exposed area. Private First Class Brenneman fought his way forward to the wounded man and when he found he could not carry him, he recrossed the area and despite intense machine gun fire made his way back to friendly lines, picked up a blanket and returned to the wounded man. After administering emergency first aid, Private First Class Brenneman placed him on the blanket and proceeded to drag him thirty yards to the cover of a ditch. When he had assured himself of the man's safety, he returned to his position in the patrol and aided in furthering the mission. His gallantry and willingness to sacrifice himself to aid a fellow soldier exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Beckley, West Virginia.

II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals for wounds received in action:

LOYD AMES 35426856 INF, Private, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 6 May 1944. Home address: Sandstone, West Virginia.

ROBERT B. EGLESTON 38017903 FA, Private, Battery A, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 12 May 1944. Home address: Edmond, Oklahoma.

ROY E. HUGHES 20833662 FA, Sergeant, Battery B, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, Italy, 24 May 1944. Home address: Ninnekah, Oklahoma.

HUBER A. REMICK 33051146 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 18 February 1944. Home address: Coatesville, Pennsylvania.

EDDIE E. ROBERTSON 34631481 INF, Private First Class, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 10 April 1944. Home address: B[illegible]hawk, Mississippi.

III - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals for wounds received in action:

GEORGE G. ANDERSON JR. 33515758 INF, Private, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

EVERETT R. BELL 38341640 INF, Private First Class, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 20 February 1944. Home address: Littlefield, Texas.

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ROBERT W. BUCKNAM 31351034 INF, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 25 May 1944. Home address: Pine Point, Maine.

ANDREW COMPASS 33690860 INF, Private, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 21 May 1944. Home address: Renton, Pennsylvania.

CHARLES W. GEARHART 33100237 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 14 September 1943. Home address: Danville, Pennsylvania.

SAMUEL J. GLORIANT 31063027 INF, Corporal, Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 23 May 1944. Home address: Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

RICHARD J. HOLLOWAY 35236508 INF, Private, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 8 April 1944. Home address: East Palestine, Ohio.

ALFORD A. JOHNSON 38159078 MC, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 10 April 1944. Home address: Hutto, Texas.

CHARLES A. JOHNSON 33759742 INF, Private First Class, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 26 May 1944. Home address: Saxton, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM C. LANDGREN 01299909 INF, First Lieutenant, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 24 May 1944. Home address: Fort Dodge, Iowa.

RICHARD B. McMANUS 42023768 INF, Private, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 24 May 1944. Home address: Vestal, New York.

GEORGE E. MILES 32595688 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 22 May 1944. Home address: Phillipsburg, New Jersey.

WALTER NACE 35034466 INF, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 24 January 1944. Home address: Barnesville, Ohio.

PAUL L. SCHLEGEL 33624722 INF, Private, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 17 February 1944. Home address: Fleetwood, Pennsylvania.

ALBERT D. SMITH 31309110 INF, Private First Class, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 6 December 1943. Home address: Buzzards Bay, Massachusetts.

WILLIAM H. VEST 38287355 INF, Private First Class, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 16 May 1944. Home address: Groesbeck, Texas.

J. P. WALKER 20827882 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 20 December 1943. Home address: Okay, Oklahoma.

JOHN WISTER 13053627 INF, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 25 May 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

WARD C. WOODS 36879235 INF, Private, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 24 May 1944. Home address: Bellevue, Michigan.

ARKADUS ZMUDA 31068219 INF, Private First Class, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 16 November 1943. Home address: Fall River, Massachusetts.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 120)

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart I
Award of the Purple Heart II

I — AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 179th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

ROBERT P. CARR 11048083 INF, Sergeant, Company B, ~~Italy~~, 30 November 1943. Home address: Boston, Massachusetts.

ARTHUR C. HALL 20826932 INF, Private First Class, Company F, ~~Italy~~, 3 May 1944. Home address: Holdenville, Oklahoma.

JOHN F. HILL 01315167 INF, First Lieutenant, Company M, ~~Italy~~, 26 May 1944. Home address: Hillside, Pennsylvania.

HERBERT R. SCHMIDT 36305221 INF, Sergeant, Company F, Italy, 3 March 1944. Home address: Evanston, Illinois.

HERBERT R. SCHMIDT 36305221 INF, Sergeant, Company F, ~~Italy~~, 3 May 1944. Home address: Evanston, Illinois.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals for wounds received in action:

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* ELVIN E. ARMITAGE 31268381 MC, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 21 February 1944. Home address: Keene, New Hampshire.

WOODROW J. BEAUREGARD 32225155 CE, Sergeant, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 26 May 1944. Home address: Albany, New York.

FERGUS B. BRACKENBURY 37197199 MC, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 24 May 1944. Home address: Rochester, Minnesota.

ROBERT P. CARR 11048083 INF, Sergeant, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, ~~Italy~~, 15 October 1943. Home address: Boston, Massachusetts.

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JAMES J. CHERRY 38058235 CE, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Kilgore, Texas.

HENRY FELSENTHAL 34792349 INF, Private, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 24 May 1944. Home address: New York, New York.

ARTHUR C. HALL 20826932 INF, Private First Class, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 17 February 1944. Home address: Holdenville, Oklahoma.

FRED L. HENDERSON 3218632 CE, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 24 May 1944. Home address: Sewell, New Jersey.

RICHARD W. HOPKINS 33410589 CE, Private, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: West Middlesex, Pennsylvania.

JAMES C. LA BUE 33433591 CE, Private, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 24 May 1944. Home address: Oil City, Pennsylvania.

HOWARD T. OSETH 36336747 CE, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Park Ridge, Illinois.

ROY M. L. SEARS 31342357 INF, Sergeant, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 22 May 1944. Home address: Hartford, Connecticut.

HOYLE H. TOMS 34129901 INF, Private First Class, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, Sicily, 1 August 1943. Home address: Forest City, North Carolina.

FRANCIS VILLACORTA 32412122 CE, Corporal, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Jackson Heights, New York.

CHARLES ... WHITNEY 31116628 CE, Private, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Richmond, Maine.

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30 May 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 121)

Award of the Silver Star Medal I
Award of the Soldier's Medal II

I — AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals:

CLAY A BARNES 0404950 INF, Captain, Anti-Tank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 February 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. During the all-out effort of the German forces to reduce the Beachhead, Captain Barnes maintained anti-tank defenses astride the heavily shelled Anzio-Albano road. He kept in close contact with his sections, moving repeatedly over roads under extremely severe shell fire. On one occasion Captain Barnes encountered enemy snipers in the rear of a front line battalion, engaged them in a brief fight and captured them. His energetic reconnaissance and close personal control of his organization under trying conditions contributed greatly to the defense of the Beachhead during a critical period. Captain Barnes' gallantry and devotion to duty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Longmont, Colorado.

JULIAN R. VELASCO 39546060 INF, Private First Class, Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 February 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. The 60mm mortar section of which Private First Class Velasco was a member sustained severe casualties and lost two mortars from severe enemy shell fire. Private First Class Velasco, alone, manned the remaining mortar in support of his company's hard pressed riflemen. Twice between fire missions he moved across an open field under enemy fire to supply urgently needed ammunition for the rifle platoons. His courageous actions were a major contribution to the successful defense of the position. Private First Class Velasco's gallantry and devotion to duty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Redland, California.

II - AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following individual:

JOHN A McNAUGHT 36854917 MC, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 30th Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 18 April 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. When three of his

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fellow soldiers were pulled out to sea by a strong undertow, Private First Class McNaught, a medical aid man attached to a rifle platoon, immediately plunged in and went to their rescue. Although he could see them struggling with the rough waters, Private First Class McNaught boldly and forcefully swam through the undertow and assisted the three soldiers to a nearby sandbar. One of the soldiers had developed cramps and had to be pulled to shore by Private First Class McNaught, the other two were exhausted and also required assistance. Having brought the soldiers to a position of safety, Private First Class McNaught went with them to the battalion aid station and made himself available for further assistance. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

By command of Major General EAGLES:

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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart I
Award of the Purple Heart II

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 179th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

THOMAS C. COLOMBO 32219218 INF, Private First Class, Company G, ~~Italy~~, 16 February 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

JAMES C. EALUM 20824530 INF, First Sergeant, Anti-Tank Company, ~~Italy~~, 2 February 1944. Home address: Olustee, Oklahoma.

ADAM FILLMORE 38018406 INF, Private First Class, Company E, ~~Italy~~, 28 May 1944. Home address: Fillmore, Oklahoma.

HANS J. GENTILE 32860875 INF, Private, Company D, ~~Italy~~, 29 November 1943. Home address: Yonkers, New York.

JOSEPH P. JULIANO 33779532 INF, Private First Class, Company I, ~~Italy~~, 18 May 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

FRANCIS R. SMITH 11027909 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 30 May 1944. Home address: Oqpossoc, Maine.

PAUL F. VENETO 31068045 INF, Private First Class, Cannon Company, ~~Italy~~, 14 September 1943. Home address: Roxbury, Massachusetts.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 179th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

CLARK N. BARNES 01308455 INF, First Lieutenant, Company H, ~~Italy~~, 27 April 1944. Home address: Des Moines, Iowa.

WILLIAM C. BIGGS 38016281 INF, Private First Class, Anti-Tank Company, ~~Italy~~, 29 May 1944. Home address: Okemah, Oklahoma.

SAM BROOKS 20823435 INF, Private First Class, Company B, ~~Italy~~, 3 December 1943. Home address: Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

PAUL J. CANDLEANA 01306846 INF, Second Lieutenant, Company L, ~~Italy~~, 30 May 1944. Home address: Bath, New York.

MICHAEL J. CONRAD 31007197 INF, Corporal, Company E, ~~Italy~~, 28 May 1944. Home address: North Adams, Massachusetts.

ALBERT J. DAVIES 19051518 MC, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, ~~Italy~~, 30 May 1944. Home address: Southgate, California.

RAYMOND J. DONLAN 11047666 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 5 December 1943. Home address: Waltham, Massachusetts.

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EADGER J. GAULT 35044185 INF, Sergeant, Company K, ~~Italy~~, 30 May 1944. Home address: Louisville, Kentucky.

EUGENE HOSEY 35759652 INF, Private, Company K, ~~Italy~~, 30 May 1944. Home address: Richwood, West Virginia.

JOHN HUGHES 365[illegible] INF, Sergeant, Company H, ~~Italy~~, 30 May 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

ANTHONY V. MATERA 32759137 INF, Private, Company I, 24 May 1944. Home address: Trenton, New Jersey.

ROBERT B. MILLER JR 01172177 INF, First Lieutenant, Anti-Tank Company, ~~Italy~~, 30 May 1944. Home address: Hamilton, Texas.

BUCK MURPHY 20826472 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 30 May 1944. Home address: Schulter, Oklahoma.

ALBERT J. STAUDT 32194502 INF, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ~~Italy~~, 19 February 1944. Home address: Staten Island, New York.

CHARLES L. SULLIVAN 34735454 INF, Private First Class, Company D, ~~Italy~~, 19 May 1944. Home address: Memphis, Tennessee.

WILLIAM E. WRIGHT JR 34624440 INF, Corporal, Anti-Tank Company, ~~Italy~~, 30 May 1944. Home address: Centreville, Mississippi.

So much of General Orders Number 117, Section II, Award of the Purple Heart, as, pertaining to THOMAS C. COLOMBO 32219218 INF, Private First Class, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

By command of Major General EAGLES:

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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart I
Award of the Purple Heart II

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals for wounds received in action:

EDWARD A. MARTAS 36532150 CE, Private, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

JOHN STACKIEWICZ 6121850 FA, Private, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Saugus, Massachusetts.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals for wounds received in action:

IRA D. COOPER 01105358 CE, First Lieutenant, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Jersey City, New Jersey.

WINFIELD W. GRANT 33295338 CE, Private First Class, Headquarters and Service Company, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 30 May 1944. Home address: Galeton, Pennsylvania.

ALGOT A. HAGGLUND 37091076 CE, Sergeant, Company B, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 29 May 1944. Home address: Salol, Minnesota.

ARTHUR E. KEMPKA 20830865 FA, Private First Class, Battery C, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Perry, Oklahoma.

JOHN V. LAVERTY 31122826 CE, Private, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 25 May 1944. Home address: Middletown, Connecticut.

FRANK P. MAZURKIEWICZ 37284602 CE, Private, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: St. Paul, Minnesota.

CARL V. RAMSTROM 31005079 CE, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Framingham, Massachusetts.

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JOSEPH R. RENDA 32894188 FA, Private First Class, Battery B, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, Italy, 24 May 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

WILLIAM A. ROGERS 20828481 CAV, Sergeant, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Italy, 30 May 1944. Home address: Okemah, Oklahoma.

WILLIAM F. RUSH 34779579 CAV, Private, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Greenwood, South Carolina.

HARRY O. SMITH 15080922 CAV, Private, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Sherwood, Ohio.

MELVIN R. STATON 37090727 CE, Sergeant, Company B, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Benson, Minnesota.

WILLIAM R. WHEELER 34202694 FA, Private, Battery C, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Miami, Florida.

By command of Major General EAGLES:

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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart I
Award of the Purple Heart II

I — AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 157th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

JESSE J ARNOLD 33500762 INF, Private, Company F, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Richfield, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT J BALDRIDGE 35792007 INF, Private First Class, Company C, Italy, 18 February 1944. Home address: Cincinnati, Ohio.

STANLEY J BANIA 31062726 INF, Sergeant, Company M, Italy, 24 May 1944. Home address: Thompsonville, Connecticut.

BOOTH G BAREFOOT 20845039 INF, Private First Class, Company L, Italy, 29 May 1944. Home address: Phoenix, Arizona.

CLAY A BARNES C404950 INF, Captain, Anti-Tank Company, Italy, 4 November 1943. Home address: Longmont, Colorado.

ROBERT G BERRY 12055076 INF, Private First Class, Company F, Italy, 20 February 1944. Home address: Homer, New York.

GEORGE C BOLZ 01286067 INF, Second Lieutenant, Company L, Italy, 2 April 1944. Home address: Fort Wayne, Indiana.

STANLEY J BORATSKI 37370468 INF, Private, Company I, Italy, 29 May 1944. Home address: St. Louis, Missouri.

DWIGHT R DAVIS 20838154 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company E, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Denver, Colorado.

JOHN L EASLEY 20837663 INF, Private First Class, Company L, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Craig, Colorado.

ERVIN M ELLIS 14163217 INF, Private, Cannon Company, Italy, 16 December 1943. Home address: Jakin, Georgia.

GEORGE H FORTNER JR 33624555 INF, Private, Company D, Italy, 22 February 1944. Home address: Boston, Pennsylvania.

THOMAS R FREEMAN 31065263 INF, Sergeant, Company B, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: East Bridgewater, Massachusetts.

JOHN A GILBERT 38276638 INF, Private First Class, Company I, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Paul's Valley, Oklahoma.

ABRAHAM GOLDSTEIN 32219184 INF, Private, Company G, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: New York, New York.

EVERETT E HOWARD 39211487 INF, Private, Company B, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Renton, Washington.

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LLOYD L JULIN 36526910 INF, Private First Class, Company F, Italy, 2 February 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

CHESTER S MARYAC 33576022 INF, Private First Class, Company L, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: South Fork, Pennsylvania.

JACK S MILLER 38006157 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company C, Italy, 29 March 1944. Home address: Aquilar, Colorado.

JAMES A RUTLEDGE 20838321 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company L, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Boulder, Colorado.

EDWARD A SUCHAN 36853051 INF, Corporal, Company L, Italy, 29 May 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

WILBUR G WALL 32193811 INF, Sergeant, Company L, Italy, 18 February 1944. Home address: Bronx, New York.

WILBUR G WALL 32193811 INF, Sergeant, Company L, Italy, 1 June 1944. Home address: Bronx, New York.

LEONARD WILLIAMS JR 35770585 INF, Private First Class, Company E, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Boones Camp, Kentucky.

VERE L WILLIAMS 20839325 INF, Sergeant, Company K, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Snyder, Colorado.

SYLVESTER G WINEMAKER 33073724 INF, Private, Company C, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Easton, Pennsylvania.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 157th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

ALTON H ALFORD 34624450 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, Italy, 13 April 1944. Home address: Vicksburg, Mississippi.

ERNEST S ALGIERS 11044027 INF, Private, Company E, Italy, 2 June 1944. Home address: Bradford, Rhode Island.

TED M ALMAS 35051625 INF, Private First Class, Company K, Italy, 6 April 1944. Home address: Elyria, Ohio.

LAVERN L ANDERSON 32005945 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company F, Italy, 22 December 1943. Home address: Sterling, Colorado.

JESSE J ARNOLD 33500762 INF, Private, Company F, Italy, 20 February 1944. Home address: Richfield, Pennsylvania.

RICHARD E BAER 35634618 INF, Private, Company B, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Lucas, Ohio.

ROBERT J BALDRIDGE 35792007 INF, Private First Class, Company C, Italy, 12 November 1943. Home address: Cincinnati, Ohio.

VAN T BARFOOT 7009269 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company L, Italy, 13 November 1943. Home address: Carthage, Mississippi.

ORVILLE G BELL 38016440 MC, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, Italy, 29 May 1944. Home address: Ada, Oklahoma.

ROBERT G BERRY 12055076 INF, Private First Class, Company F, Italy, 19 November 1943. Home address: Homer, New York.

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JAMES W BISHOP 37101120 INF, Private First Class, Company F, Italy, 20 February 1944. Home address: Collins, Arkansas.

JOSEPH F BLIVEN 31061103 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Italy, 1 June 1944. Home address: Westerly, Rhode Island.

IRVING BLUMENGOLD 32992386 INF, Private, Company C, Italy, 8 April 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

HERMAN E BORING 15077014 INF, Private First Class, Company E, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Wheeling, West Virginia.

ARTHUR J BOVEINGTON 35601822 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Italy, 11 February 1944. Home address: Akron, Ohio.

ALBERT J BOWERS 33140987 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Italy, 1 June 1944. Home address: Willow Grove, Pennsylvania.

JACK J BOYLAND 01307187 INF, First Lieutenant, Anti-Tank Company, Italy, 16 November 1943. Home address: Balboa Island, California.

FRANCIS T BROPHY 33014295 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Shenandoah, Pennsylvania.

MARTIN L BUCK 33576145 INF, Private First Class, Company A, Italy, 8 May 1944. Home address: Lecontes Mills, Pennsylvania.

RAYMOND R BUCK 35281613 INF, Private, Company E, Italy, 26 March 19 . Home address: Rock Creek, Ohio.

STEVE BURAK 36651545 INF, Private, Company D, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

PHILLIP B BURKE 0433313 INF, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, Italy, 23 February 1944. Home address: Worcester, Massachusetts.

HARRY T CARPENTER 13123592 INF, Private First Class, Company L, Italy, 17 October 1943. Home address: Chester, Pennsylvania.

NEAL CASSADA 34129737 INF, Private First Class, Company H, Italy, 13 September 1943. Home address: Belmont, North Carolina.

DELL W CHANDLER 20838527 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company G, Sicily, 1 August 1943. Home address: Longmont, Colorado.

ALFRED L CHARLESTON 38005653 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company F, Italy, 21 February 1944. Home address: Pueblo, Colorado.

WILLIAM E CLARK 32735934 INF, Private First Class, Company L, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Batavia, New York.

JOHN L CLEGHORN 38048411 MC, Private, Medical Detachment, Italy, 30 May 1944. Home address: Ivanhoe, Texas.

ROBERT W COKER 34657640 INF, Private, Company G, Italy, 8 February 1944. Home address: Blaney, South Carolina.

GERARD B CONNELLY 32217287 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, Italy, 13 September 1943. Home address: Astoria, New York.

ELTON P COOKE 33183917 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, Italy, 4 April 1944. Home address: Shiloh, Virginia.

HENRY B COTTLE 35456923 INF, Private, Company F, Italy, 20 February 1944. Home address: Cottle, Kentucky.

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JOHN W COX 14134438 INF, Private First Class, Company E, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Nashville, Tennessee.

SALVATORE A COZZO 32086608 INF, Private First Class, Company K, Italy, 25 September 1943. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

HENRY S CROSS 31220463 INF, Private, Company I, Italy, 27 November 1943. Home address: Rockland, Maine.

BYRD E CURTIS 01308611 INF, Second Lieutenant, Company K, Italy, 19 February 1944. Home address: Brunswick, Nebraska.

ALLEN C CUTLER 33576146 INF, Private, Company D, Italy, 20 February 1944. Home address: Clearfield, Pennsylvania.

HENRY S CUTLER 31065155 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Boston, Massachusetts.

PAUL O DAHLBERG 38005711 INF, Private First Class, Company F, Italy, 29 February 1944. Home address: Denver, Colorado.

ROY G DAVIS 20839330 INF, Private, Service Company, Sicily, 17 July 1943. Home address: Vona, Colorado.

DAVID B DAY 34674895 INF, Private, Company M, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Timberlake, North Carolina.

LESTER D DAY 34548371 INF, Corporal, Company H, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Brunswick, Georgia.

ANTHONY G DeMARCO 32213376 INF, Private First Class, Cannon Company, Italy, 8 November 1943. Home address: Wappinges Falls, New York.

MELVIN L DeMONEY 38005431 INF, Staff Sergeant, Anti-Tank Company, Italy, 23 November 1943. Home address: Bennett, Colorado.

ROCCO De Palo 35235205 INF, Private First Class, Company B, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Akron, Ohio.

ALBERT DeRAY 32464411 INF, Private First Class, Company E, Italy, 26 March 1944. Home address: Kearny, New Jersey.

MAX DESHAZO 37610239 INF, Private First Class, Company B, Italy, 2 February 1944. Home address: Muskogee, Oklahoma.

JULIUS C DIERICK 35549533 INF, Private First Class, Company G, Italy, 22 February 1944. Home address: South Bend, Indiana.

JOHN T DOMBROWSKI 32197815 INF, Private First Class, Anti-Tank Company, Italy, 20 February 1944. Home address: New York, New York.

HORACE H DREW 7083285 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company L, Italy, 24 May 1944. Home address: Mullins, South Carolina.

ANTHONY L DUMONT 31064237 INF, Private, Company C, Italy, 27 February 1944. Home address: Monmouth, Maine.

ROBERT E EARLEY 20306149 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Italy, 23 November 1943. Home address: Washington, Pennsylvania.

JOHNNIE L EASLEY 20837363 INF, Private First Class, Company L, Italy, 16 February 1944. Home address: Craig, Colorado.

CONSTANTINOS T ECONOMOU 31263518 INF, Private, Cannon Company, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Lowell, Massachusetts.

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VERNON R EDNEY 34129820 INF, Private First Class, Company F, Italy, 20 February 1944. Home address: Henderson, North Carolina.

DONALD B EVANS 33470659 INF, Sergeant, Company K, Italy, 18 March 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JOHN V EVANS 33685277 INF, Private, Cannon Company, Italy, 14 April 1944. Home address: Kingston, Pennsylvania.

ROGER F FITCH 39172044 MC, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, Italy, 8 February 1944. Home address: Grants Pass, Oregon.

THOMAS R FREEMAN 31065263 INF, Sergeant, Company B, Italy, 21 November 1943. Home address: East Bridgewater, Massachusetts.

CHARLES F GEBUR 37514931 INF, Private First Class, Company L, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Dearing, Kansas.

JULIUS W GEIER 32991907 INF, Private, Company A, Italy, 25 May 1944. Home address: Bronx, New York.

WILLIAM J GERDES 36484877 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Italy, 26 March 1944. Home address: Peoria, Illinois.

LEON GIBERSON 32950777 INF, Private, Company B, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Manahawken, New Jersey.

ROBERT A GILBREATH 20847196 INF, Corporal, Company E, Italy, 19 February 1944. Home address: Prescott, Arizona.

ERNEST E YOUNG 12129988 INF, Private, Company D, Italy, 25 March 1944. Home address: Rochester, New York.

ARTELIO GOMEZ 38459145 INF, Private, Company L, Italy, 21 February 1944. Home address: Del Rio, Texas.

PAUL A GRAHAM 01291457 INF, First Lieutenant, Company D, Italy, 11 February 1944. Home address: Mankato, Kansas.

DONALD J GRAUEL 37415050 MC, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: St. Louis, Missouri.

CHARLES E GREEN 34674968 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Stockton, California.

GLEN R GREGORY 20838130 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company I, Italy, 29 December 1943. Home address: Lamarr, Colorado.

ROBERT C GRIMM 37606670 INF, Private First Class, Company F, Italy, 23 February 1944. Home address: Salem, Missouri.

MELVIN L GUNN 20838359 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Italy, 19 May 1944. Home address: Boulder, Colorado.

GEORGE M HADLEY 20837908 INF, Private First Class, Company D, Italy, 29 April 1944. Home address: Montrose, Colorado.

LOIS J HARNESS 35790887 INF, Private First Class, Company B, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Crab Orchard, Kentucky.

WILLIAM R T HART 34769398 INF, Private First Class, Company H, Italy, 17 April 1944. Home address: Atco, Georgia.

JESSE W HESLER 35873357 INF, Private, Company B, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Washington, Kentucky.

RUEBEN HETTINGER 20839696 INF, Technician Fifth Grade, Cannon Company, Italy, 14 April 1944. Home address: Windsor, Colorado.

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ELWOOD T HEUBERT 33113426 INF, Private First Class, Company B, Italy, 25 May 1944. Home address: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

MARVIN L HOAGLAND 35096832 INF, Private First Class, Company H, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Plainfield, Indiana.

EVERETT E HOWARD 39211487 INF, Private, Company B, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Renton, Washington.

WILLIAM R HUBBARD 33745864 INF, Private, Company B, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Meherrin, Virginia.

LLOYD L JULIN 36526910 INF, Private First Class, Company F, Italy, 10 December 1943. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

GEORGE H KIRKLAND 33273194 MC, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, Italy, 25 May 1944. Home address: Sandy Lake, Pennsylvania.

NORMAN A KLAR 32882704 INF, Private, Company G, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

ELMER W KODERHANDT 36669859 INF, Private First Class, Company L, Italy, 1 June 1944. Home address: Belleville, Illinois.

ELIAS A KOONTZ 36457936 INF, Private First Class, Company L, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Nils, Michigan.

ALVIN D KOPINSKI 35549552 INF, Private First Class, Company D, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Toledo, Ohio.

MARTIN W KRAUSE 32606477 INF, Private First Class, Company L, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Hoboken, New Jersey.

CHARLES S KULIKOWSKI 32868578 INF, Private, Company G, Italy, 29 November 1943. Home address: New Hyde Park, New York.

JOSEPH M KUZMA 33698160 INF, Private, Company I, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Charleroi, Pennsylvania.

ROY L LAWRENCE 20827494 INF, Private First Class, Company L, Italy, 29 May 1944. Home address: Durant, Oklahoma.

FRANK MANNELLA 36661999 INF, Corporal, Company G, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

THOMAS MARLOW 32213929 INF, Private, Company L, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Malone, New York.

JOHN J MASSEY 34210998 INF, Sergeant, Company G, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Piedmont, South Carolina.

MELVIN B McKINNEY 38006237 INF, Technician Fourth Grade, Company D, Italy, 1 June 1944. Home address: Greeley, Colorado.

LEON MEADOR 34714996 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, Italy, 29 May 1944. Home address: Red Boiling Springs, Tennessee.

ELMER E MENEFEE 35765276 INF, Private, Company C, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Farmington, West Virgina.

JACK S MILLER 38006157 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company C, Italy, 22 February 1944. Home address: Aquilar, Colorado.

ROBERT S NATION 0451444 INF, First Lieutenant, Company L, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Frederick, Maryland.

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JOHNNIE MARTIN 34129659 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company K, Italy, 1 June 1944. Home address: Belmont, North Carolina.

ROBERT J McCORMICK 36366905 MC, Private, Medical Detachment, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Oak Park, Illinois.

CECIL E OBARDS 37180836 INF, Private First Class, Company E, Italy, 2 November 1943. Home address: Puxico, Missouri.

LABOR PAPPIS 32335139 MC, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Yonkers, New York.

CLARENCE A PARKER 34736939 INF, Private First Class, Company H, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Church Hill, Tennessee.

GARNETT H PATTEN 34358407 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Italy, 20 February 1944. Home address: Talmo, Georgia.

ROGER PIERCE 32665158 INF, Private First Class, Company B, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Schoharie, New York.

PAUL P PIORKOWSKI 20501047 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, Italy, 24 March 1944. Home address: Cleveland, Ohio.

JAMES R POWERS 19186698 INF, Private, Company L, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: San Francisco, California.

MANUEL G RAMIREZ 39106088 MC, Private, Medical Detachment, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: San Francisco, California.

GERALD O REEVES 35097027 INF, Private First Class, Company K, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Indianapolis, Indiana.

FREDERICK F RUSHIA 32213906 INF, Private First Class, Company E, Italy, 21 May 1944. Home address: Watervliet, New York.

FRANK RYDER 31062661 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, Italy, 19 March 1944. Home address: New Bedford, Massachusetts.

THOMAS T SCHOLTISSECK 37012990 INF, Corporal, Company D, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Hutchinson, Kansas.

DAVID SHEIR 42036202 INF, Private, Company D, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: New York, New York.

ROBERT N SHERIDAN 32800454 INF, Private, Company E, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Freeport, Long Island, New York.

JAMES E SILER 34728046 INF, Private First Class, Company A, Italy, 25 May 1944. Home address: Bemis, Tennessee.

RICHARD N SKINNER 20838556 MC, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Longmont, Colorado.

EDWARD A SUCHAN 36853051 INF, Corporal, Company L, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

~~JAMES G THORPE 36811204 INF, Private First Class, Company L, Italy, 24 May 1944. Home address: Lansing, Iowa.~~

PETER TULLIO 37343420 INF, Private First Class, Company B, Italy, 25 May 1944. Home address: Somerset, Colorado.

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ERVIN W VANDERPOOL 38005215 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company K, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Olathe, Colorado.

JOSEPH VIGLIETTA 32405128 INF, Corporal, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Italy, 1 June 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

ALVIN P WALKER 36251670 INF, Private, Company I, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

WILBUR G WALL 32193611 INF, Sergeant, Company L, Italy, 16 February 1944. Home address: Bronx, New York.

ALBERT J WALLACE 33784109 INF, Private First Class, Company D, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Upland, Pennsylvania.

JACK J WEBSTER 33776936 INF, Private First Class, Company K, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

SYLVESTER R WEST 35870182 INF, Private First Class, Headquarters Third Battalion, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Shinnston, West Virginia.

LEONARD WILLIAMS 35770585 INF, Private First Class, Company E, Italy, 22 May 1944. Home address: Boones Camp, Kentucky.

VERE L WILLIAMS 20839345 INF, Sergeant, Company K, Italy, 15 February 1944. Home address: Snyder, Colorado.

VERTIS R WITTENBECK 38019144 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company E, Italy, 16 February 1944. Home address: Junction, Texas.

HARRY W WOLFMULLER 32922654 INF, Private, Company E, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Newark, New Jersey.

MORTON WOLK 32202937 INF, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, Italy, 20 February 1944. Home address: Jamaica, Long Island, New York.

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ORIGINAL ORDER - DNK.

Award of Two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Purple Heart I
Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart II
Award of the Purple Heart III

I -- AWARD OF TWO BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTERS TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Purple Heart are awarded to the following individuals of the 157th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

HENRY A. SHACKELFORD 34278860 INF, Sergeant, Company B, Italy, 23 and 25 May 1944. Home address: Nettleton, Mississippi.

ANSE H. SPEARS 0428346 INF, First Lieutenant, Company C, Italy, 27 and 29 May 1944. Home address: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulatuons 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 157th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

EDION CULWELL 38323588 INF, Sergeant, Company B, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: McCurtin, Oklahoma.

WILLIAM A. GEHRING 20837700 INF, Technical Sergeant, Company G, Sicily, 1 August 1943. Home address: Delta, Colorado.

ROBERT C. PRICE 33726474 INF, Private First Class, Company B, Italy, 1 June 1944. Home address: Cecilton, Maryland.

WILLIAM P. WEIS 33141489 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company G, Italy, 12 November 1943. Home address: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

III - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulatuons 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 157th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

JOHN A. BEDNARZ 36563364 INF, Private, Company B, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

HAROLD C. BRAULT 31349352 INF, Private, Company B, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Springfield, Massachusetts.

ATTILIO D. BREGANTE 39394294 INF, Private First Class, Company C, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Stockton, California.

HENRY C. FARBER JR 12058042 INF, Corporal, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Queens Village, New York.

JACK L. HATCHETT 39418138 INF, Private, Company C, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Stockton, California.

R. B. HOOVER 38430683 INF, Private, Company C, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Pottsboro, Texas.

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RAYMOND JONES 33627132 INF, Private First Class, Company D, Italy, 1 December 1943. Home address: Chincoteague, Virginia.

AUGUST P. KNOPP 36662455 INF, Private First Class, Company K, Italy, 2 June 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

JAMES E. PHELPS 34378881 INF, Corporal, Company F, Italy, 20 February 1944. Home address: Paris, Tennessee.

EDWARD A. SCHEMANSKY 36577945 INF, Private, Company C, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

QUIENTON STEELE 34709742 INF, Private First Class, Company C, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Jasper, Alabama.

PETER C. VAN ROSSEN 32963676 INF, Private First Class, Company C, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: New York, New York.

BOYD C. WALLACE 35450497 MC, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Alcalde, Kentucky.

WILLIAM M. ZARR 33100212 INF, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Watsontown, Pennsylvania.

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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart I
Award of the Purple Heart II

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 180th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

PAUL A. DOBLE 01309157 INF, Second Lieutenant, Company D, Italy, 2 June 1944. Home address: Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

SHELTON RICHIE 35127119 INF, Sergeant, Company B, Italy, 1 June 1944. Home address: Lunah, Kentucky.

ERNEST H. WILKE 37546425 INF, Private, Anti-Tank Company, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Red Wing, Minnesota.

II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals of the 180th Infantry Regiment for wounds received in action:

HOWARD K. BALDWIN 35873478 INF, Private, Company A, Italy, 4 June 1944. Home address: Hamilton, Ohio.

EUGENE E. BENDER 33604053 INF, Private, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Italy, 28 May 1944. Home address: Pittston, Pennsylvania.

ARTHUR J. CANTRELL 20829276 INF, Private, Service Company, Italy, 24 May 1944. Home address: Weber Falls, Oklahoma.

TIMOTHY J. DALEY JR 31025068 INF, Corporal, Company D, Italy, 2 June 1944. Home address: Worcester, Massachusetts.

JOHN J. FARRELL 34814285 INF, Private, Company C, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Huntsville, Alabama.

EMANUEL FINE 20210906 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company B, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Syracuse, New York.

CORNELIUS V. GALLAGHER 32928465 INF, Private, Company A, Italy, 2 June 1944. Home address: Bayonne, New Jersey.

MAX GOLDSTEIN 12057111 INF, Staff Sergeant, Company A, Italy, 1 June 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

CHARLES K. HALLIGAN 31065248 INF, Private First Class, Company C, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Lowell, Massachusetts.

JOHN M. HORVATH 33570971 INF, Private First Class, Company B, Italy, 15 May 1944. Home address: McIntyre, Pennsylvania.

CHESTER L. LEE 35626683 INF, Technician Fifth Grade, Anti-Tank Company, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Athens, Ohio.

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