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I - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

By direction of the President and under the provisions of Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

First Lieutenant RUSSELL B. THOMPSON, 01030845, Cavalry, Troop B, 28th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), United States Army. For gallantry in action. On the night of 29 December 1944, the 3rd Reconnaissance Platoon, Troop B, commanded by First Lieutenant THOMPSON, participated in the dismounted attack on \* \* \*, Luxembourg. Twice Lieutenant THOMPSON brilliantly led his small force into the center of the town from the west, and twice he was compelled to withdraw by enemy tank and automatic weapons fire. Learning that our force on the east was pinned down by enemy fire, Lieutenant THOMPSON fearlessly attacked a third time in a diversionary action which successfully relieved enemy pressure from the other units engaged, and also rescued eight men of his platoon out off during the previous withdrawal from the town. His bold action and sound tactical judgment enabled the reconnaissance force, of which he was a part, to seize high ground commanding the town and properly inform elements of the division which relieved it as to the strength and disposition of the enemy. Lieutenant THOMPSON's display of the highest degree of combat efficiency and inspirational leadership reflect great credit upon him and the military service of the United States.

Staff Sergeant RAMON J. PUIG, 6836062, Cavalry, Troop B, 28th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), United States Army. For gallantry in action. On the night of 21 January 1945, near \* \* \*, Luxembourg, Sergeant PUIG, with two assistants, while under artillery and automatic weapons fire, successfully entered a mined area to administer first aid and evacuate four seriously wounded members of his platoon. Then, following the instructions of his badly wounded platoon leader, he personally led the remainder of the platoon and seized the assigned objective, thereby assuring favorable subsequent operations. The daring example set by Sergeant PUIG and his gallant leadership inspired the men of his command and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service of the United States.

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## II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President and under the provisions of Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Technician Fourth Grade THOMAS J. LEE, 32072375, Field Artillery, Battery C, 696th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France on 10 November 1944. With enemy shells bursting in close proximity, Technician Fourth Grade LEE unhesitatingly assisted in the repair of an immobilized ammunition vehicle. Realizing the serious need for the ammunition in the day's important attack, he and his comrades worked faithfully and diligently without regard to the personal danger involved. Technician Fourth Grade LEE, by his courage and devotion to duty, reflected credit upon himself and upon the armed forces of the United States.

Technician Fifth Grade EDWARD DUFOUR, 20323650, Cavalry, Troop B, 28th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Luxembourg on 21 January 1945. During an advance, four members of Technician Fifth Grade DUFOUR's platoon were rendered helpless by exploding enemy mines. Despite enemy shells falling in the area, Technician Fifth Grade DUFOUR and two other enlisted men, unhesitatingly and with complete disregard for personal safety, entered the mined area, administered first aid and evacuated the wounded men to safety, saving their lives. The conspicuous courage displayed by Technician Fifth Grade DUFOUR reflects great credit upon him and the armed forces of the United States.

Technician Fifth Grade WALTER H. SCHWARZ, 36129631, Chemical Warfare Service, Company A, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Luxembourg on 9 January 1945. During an enemy artillery and mortar barrage, Technician Fifth Grade SCHWARZ, driver of a three-quarter ton truck, observed a shell burst that punctured and set fire to the gasoline tank of his truck. With unhesitating courage, he dashed to the burning vehicle from his place of cover and drove it away from the pool of burning gasoline to a safer place where he extinguished the fire, thereby saving the vehicle from complete destruction. Technician Fifth Grade SCHWARZ, by his prompt and heroic action and disregard for personal safety, proved himself a superior soldier.

## III - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President and under the provisions of Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star Medal, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the respective periods indicated, is awarded to:

Colonel WILLIAM A. SMITH, 011128, Quartermaster Corps, Headquarters III Corps, United States Army, 15 September 1944 to 17 January 1945.

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First Lieutenant CREIGHTON C. CLARKE, 01035222, Chemical Warfare Service, Company A, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 10 July 1943 to 22 January 1945.

First Lieutenant HAROLD A. HARTUNG, 0489885, Chemical Warfare Service, Company B, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 1 May 1944 to 20 January 1945.

First Lieutenant JOHN F. HEALEY, 01039380, Chemical Warfare Service, Company B, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 16 September 1943 to 20 January 1945.

First Lieutenant HARRY H. HULL, 0923113, Chemical Warfare Service, Company C, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 11 May 1944 to 6 June 1944 and 15 August 1944 to 17 January 1945.

First Lieutenant DONALD S. JONES, 01037840, Chemical Warfare Service Company C, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 10 July 1943 to 15 January 1944 and 12 April 1944 to 17 January 1945.

First Lieutenant FREDERICK G. PEACOCK, 01035964, Chemical Warfare Service, Company A, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 10 July 1943 to 22 January 1945.

First Sergeant CLARENCE E. BARTHOLOMEW, 32957890, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters Company, 1187th Engineer Combat Group, United States Army, 21 August 1944 to 31 January 1945.

Sergeant JAMES V. ANDERSON, 34012597, Chemical Warfare Service, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 10 July 1943 to 20 January 1945.

Sergeant OLIN L. SANDERS, 34427415, Chemical Warfare Service, Company C, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 10 July 1943 to 17 January 1945.

Technician Fifth Grade FORREST M. ELSTON, 35167668, Chemical Warfare Service, Company C, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 10 July 1943 to 17 January 1945.

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES H. FLYNN, 42001813, Chemical Warfare Service, Company C, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 17 September 1944 to 17 January 1945.

Technician Fifth Grade EDMUND C. GUSTAVSON, 32300294, Chemical Warfare Service, Company C, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 10 July 1943 to 17 January 1945.

Technician Fifth Grade EDWARD F. JENNY, 37160097, Chemical Warfare Service, Company A, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 10 July 1943 to 22 January 1945.

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Technician Fifth Grade JAMES J. JOHNSON, 34145835, Chemical Warfare Service, Company A, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 10 July 1943 to 22 January 1945.

Technician Fifth Grade IRVING MAGENHEIM, 32213985, Chemical Warfare Service, Company A, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 10 July 1943 to 22 January 1945.

Technician Fifth Grade CHRISTIAN P. MORLOK, 33067723, Chemical Warfare Service, Company A, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 10 July 1943 to 22 January 1945.

Private First Class CHARLES R. REMLEY, 16072431, Chemical Warfare Service, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army, 10 July 1943 to 22 January 1945.

IV - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

Corporal THOMAS KEFALAS, 33694230, Cavalry, Troop B, 28th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Luxembourg on 21 January 1945. During an advance, four members of Corporal KEFALAS' platoon were rendered helpless by exploding enemy mines. Despite enemy shells falling in the area, Corporal KEFALAS and two other enlisted men, unhesitatingly and with complete disregard for personal safety, entered the mined area, administered first aid and evacuated the wounded men to safety, saving their lives. The conspicuous courage displayed by Corporal KEFALAS reflects great credit upon him and the armed forces of the United States.

V - AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTERS)


By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, three Bronze Oak-Leaf Clusters are awarded to:

First Lieutenant ROBERT J. ARMSTRONG, 01175375, Field Artillery, 177th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight against an enemy over France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany during the period 8 November 1944 to 26 January 1945.

By command of Major General MILLIKIN:

J. H. PHILLIPS,  
Colonel, G.S.C.,  
Chief of Staff.

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