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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 JOSHUA L. WOODWARD, JR., 01035185, Chemical Warfare Service, Company D, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army. For gallantry in action. On 6 December 1944, near \* \* \* , France, Lieutenant WOODWARD, with his radio operator, reported to an infantry command post to direct mortar support during a fierce enemy attack. He fearlessly drove two thousand yards under intense artillery fire. When stopped by a road block, he raced heroically on foot across eight hundred yards of open ground covered by heavy shell fire. Reaching his objective, he promptly directed accurate mortar fire. His conspicuous gallantry, aggressiveness, and disregard for personal danger exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States.

Corporal JOHN J. KERR, 33140775, Chemical Warfare Service, Company D, 3rd Chemical Battalion (Motorized), United States Army. For gallantry in action. On 6 December 1944, near \* \* \* , France, Corporal KERR, radio operator, reported with his executive officer to an infantry command post to direct mortar support during a fierce enemy attack. He fearlessly drove two thousand yards under intense artillery fire. When stopped by a road block, he raced heroically on foot carrying the radio across eight hundred yards of open ground covered by heavy shell fire. Reaching his objective, he promptly established radio contact with their platoon and called for immediate supporting fire. His conspicuous gallantry, aggressiveness, and disregard for personal danger exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States.

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:

Corporal LLOYD H. JOHNSON, 34113929, Field Artillery, Battery A, 177th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the approximate

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vicinity of \* \* \* at \* \* \* , France, from 5 October 1944 to 8 October 1944. Corporal JOHNSON, as a member of a forward observer's party, assisted in directing accurate artillery fire on the enemy. By his heroic efforts, enemy fire was neutralized at a critical time, preventing great losses to friendly forces. When enemy fire destroyed the radio which was their only source of communications he daringly dashed across exposed ground at great personal risk and returned with a replacement. The courageous and loyal devotion to duty displayed by Corporal JOHNSON reflects great credit upon him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States.

Corporal CORNELIUS MAAS, 32145823, Field Artillery, Battery B, 696th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of \* \* \* , Belgium, on 7 January 1945. During a serious enemy counter-attack at night, Corporal MAAS, a lineman, volunteered, with the assistance of another lineman, to repair essential communication lines damaged by heavy artillery shelling which was continuing at irregular intervals. He performed his hazardous task coolly and efficiently despite the many enemy shells that fell in close proximity. Through Corporal MAAS' courage, loyal devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety, excellent wire communications were re-established and maintained during an extremely critical period.

Private First Class JIM H. McALISTER, 34577851, Field Artillery, Battery B, 696th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near \* \* \* , Belgium, on 7 January 1945. During a serious enemy counter-attack at night Private First Class McALISTER, a lineman, volunteered, with the assistance of another lineman, to repair essential communication lines damaged by heavy artillery shelling which was continuing at irregular intervals. He performed his hazardous task coolly and efficiently despite the many enemy shells that fell in close proximity. Through Private First Class McALISTER's courage, loyal devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety, excellent wire communications were re-established and maintained during an extremely critical period.

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:

First Lieutenant RAYMOND F. OLSEN, 01175525, Field Artillery, Battery A, 177th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, 25 July 1944 to 25 January 1945.

Staff Sergeant ERNEST P. RATTI, 20246059, Field Artillery, Battery B, 696th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, 7 November 1944 to 15 January 1945.

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Corporal RUDOLPH J. KONESKI, 32145996, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 696th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, 4 December 1944 to 12 December 1944.

Private First Class MARION G. FORD, 34595823, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 696th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, 4 December 1944 to 12 December 1944.

Private First Class LOUIS GOLDELT, 32072276, Field Artillery, Battery B, 696th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, 1 August 1944 to 15 January 1945.

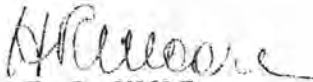
Private First Class MARION P. GRIMALDI, 32072269, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 696th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, 4 December 1944 to 12 December 1944.

Private First Class WALTER J. SHIELDS, 37502795, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 696th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, 4 December 1944 to 12 December 1944.

By command of Major General MILLIKIN:

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