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By direction of the President and under the provisions of Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 28 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Second Lieutenant BERNARD J. LYONS, 01184881, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 253d Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action. On 5-6 January 1945, near * * * , Belgium, Lieutenant LYONS, artillery forward observer in support of a tank company, by his accurate adjustment of fire from exposed positions, was responsible for the repulse of two counter-attacks. After enemy patrols had infiltrated into the position, he unhesitatingly and with complete disregard for his own safety, left the protection of his tank to establish personal liaison with the tank company commander thereafter continuing to adjust artillery fire until he was wounded. Lieutenant LYONS' gallantry and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military service.

Second Lieutenant ROGER C. NOTTINGHAM, 02006456, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 253d Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action. On 5-6 January 1945 near * * * , Belgium, Lieutenant (then Sergeant) NOTTINGHAM, as tank sergeant, accompanied the Artillery Observer in support of a tank company. With complete disregard for his own safety he unhesitatingly exposed himself to enemy mortar and small arms fire, in order to relay effectively fire adjustment commands directed against enemy counter-attacks. The forward observer was wounded when enemy patrols infiltrated and surrounded the position. Thereupon he ably assumed the observers duties. Lieutenant NOTTINGHAM's gallantry and coolness under fire exemplified the highest traditions of the military service.

Sergeant DENNIS J. PHILLIPS, 7008572, Cavalry, Troop C, 28th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), United States Army. For gallantry in action. On 29 December 1944 near * * * , Belgium, Sergeant PHILLIPS' section was pinned down by machine gun fire. Voluntarily and disregarding personal danger, Sergeant PHILLIPS left the cover of his armored vehicle and bravely crawled toward the machine gun position. Although painfully wounded in the face he courageously moved forward and reduced the machine gun nest with hand grenades. Sergeant PHILLIPS' gallantry exemplifies the highest tradition of the military service.

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Technician Fifth Grade JOSEPH J. MORAN, 35528513, Field Artillery, Battery A, 253d Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action. On 3 January 1945 near * * *, Belgium, immediately after two enemy artillery concentrations landed near his battery position, Technician Fifth Grade MORAN obtained the necessary data for shell reports. Before completion of the task another concentration landed. Realizing the need of obtaining immediate information as to the location of the enemy batteries, he courageously continued and obtained the necessary data for the third shell report, although well aware of the danger of further shelling. The tenacity of purpose and courage displayed by Technician Fifth Grade MORAN reflect distinct credit upon him and 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:

Technician Third Grade ADOLPH J. JANUS, 36018399, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 145th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France on the night of 2-3 August 1944. The battalion bivouac area, near * * *, France, was bombed and strafed, causing casualties and igniting a truck and trailer of ammunition and explosives. Technician Third Grade JANUS, disregarding further bombing and explosions from burning ammunition, unhesitatingly and courageously treated the wounded and attended to their evacuation. Technician Third Grade JANUS' calmness, heroic action and singleness of purpose under enemy bombardment, reflect great credit upon him and the armed forces of the United States.

Technician Fourth Grade GEORGE S. SKALICKY, 37024662, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 145th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France on 2-3 August 1944. The battalion bivouac area near * * *, France, was bombed and strafed, causing casualties and igniting a truck and trailer of ammunition and explosives. Technician Fourth Grade SKALICKY, disregarding further bombing and explosions from burning ammunition unhesitatingly and courageously treated the wounded and attended to their evacuation. Technician Fourth Grade SKALICKY's calmness, heroic action and singleness of purpose under enemy bombardment, reflect great credit upon him and the armed forces of the United States.

Corporal LYNWOOD W. WILTSHIRE, 35747779, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 253d 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 7-8 January 1945. Corporal WILTSHIRE, as non-commissioned officer in charge of wire communications, exhibited great courage and devotion to duty by repairing numerous breaks in wire caused by enemy shell fire. Despite the hazards of darkness and continued enemy shelling, he maintained the essential wire communications. As a result of his actions the flow of vital information continued with a minimum of interruption. Corporal WILTSHIRE's sense of duty and high courage reflect distinct credit upon him and the armed forces of the United States.

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Technician Fifth Grade CHARLES A. ATKINSON, 35747783, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 253d 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 6 January 1945. Technician Fifth Grade ATKINSON, as tank driver for the forward observer, skillfully maneuvered his tank close to enemy positions thereby enabling his Tank Commander to direct effective artillery fire. When the enemy began to overrun the position, withdrawal of the tank was ordered, but the motor failed to start. Despite considerable enemy small arms and bazooka fire Technician Fifth Grade ATKINSON, fearlessly and with complete disregard for his own safety, left the tank, checked the engine, corrected the difficulty and effected the withdrawal. The outstanding devotion to duty by Technician Fifth Grade ATKINSON reflects distinct credit upon him and military service.

Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD H. HOUTING, 36416620, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 253d 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 6 January 1945. Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) HOUTING, with disregard for his own safety, administered necessary first aid to a wounded soldier and effected prompt evacuation while enemy shells were falling in and near the position. The courage and heroic action under fire, as displayed by Technician Fifth Grade HOUTING, reflect distinct credit upon him and the armed forces of the United States.

Private First Class OPAL C. BURDEN, 35678131, Battery A, 253d 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 5 January 1945. Private First Class BURDEN, with disregard for his own safety, administered necessary first aid to a wounded soldier and effected prompt evacuation while enemy shells were falling in and near the position. The courage and heroic action under fire, as displayed by Private First Class BURDEN, reflect distinct credit upon him and the armed forces of the United States.

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:

Sergeant DAVID C. STOUT, 37539109, Corps of Engineers, 632nd Engineer Light Equipment Company, United States Army, 18 July 1944 to 28 January 1945.

Technician Fourth Grade OLIVER A. PETERSON, 36451395, Corps of Engineers, 632nd Engineer Light Equipment Company, United States Army, 1 January 1945 to 28 January 1945.

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Technician Fourth Grade CHARLES E. RAUSCH, 32196688, Corps of Engineers,
632nd Engineer Light Equipment Company, United States Army, 15 September 1944
to 28 January 1945.

By command of Major General MILLIKIN:

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