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I. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and under authority contained in Circular No 32, Headquarters European Theater of Operations, United States Army, 20 March 1944, as amended, the Distinguished-Service Cross is awarded to:

Private First Class Beverly Tipton, 36670069, Infantry, 413th Infantry Regiment, 104th Infantry Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy. On 25 October 1944, in Holland, the platoon to which Private Tipton was assigned advanced across open terrain in the face of intense, accurate enemy fire from well-prepared, dug-in positions. Two squads were pinned down by heavy machine-gun, mortar and small-arms fire which killed the first scout of Private Tipton's squad. Private Tipton immediately assumed the duties of first scout and while leading the squad along a hedgerow, saw the enemy machine-gun nest. Halting the squad, he worked his way back, secured an automatic rifle and courageously advanced to within six feet of the enemy position. Firing the automatic weapon from his hip, he killed the machine-gun crew and captured the enemy weapon. Throughout this action Private Tipton was subjected to fire from three enemy snipers but his spontaneous aggressiveness, bold tenacity and personal bravery carried him through to successfully complete his self-initiated mission which facilitated the subsequent advance of his unit. The extraordinary heroism and courageous actions of Private Tipton reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and under authority contained in Circular No 32, Headquarters European Theater of Operations, United States Army, 20 March 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. Hart, 0377975, (then Major and Lieutenant Colonel) Ordnance Department, 65th Ordnance Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 5 September 1944 to 4 December 1944. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Chief Warrant Officer, Carl J. Witmeyer, W-2123094, Army of the United States, 310th Signal Operations Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 September 1944 to 23 November 1944. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Sergeant James L. White, 38194203, Quartermaster Corps, 3696th Quartermaster Truck Company, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 December 1944. Entered military service from New York.

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Technician Third Grade Harold R. Nelson, 58729732, Signal Corps, 310th Signal Operations Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 3 September 1944 to 31 December 1944. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Third Grade Lewis B. Stephenson, 34012722, Signal Corps, 310th Signal Operations Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 26 September 1944 to 9 January 1945. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Technician Fifth Grade Clair I. Sensenig, 33618985, Signal Corps, 310th Signal Operations Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 3 September 1944 to 3 December 1944. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Albert F. Welch, 31295339, (then Private and Technician Fifth Grade) Signal Corps, 310th Signal Operations Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 20 October 1944 to 9 December 1944. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private Josse L. Ingram, 20734899, Infantry, 5th Ranger Infantry Battalion United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 September 1944 near Brest, France. Entered military service from Kansas.

III. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). By direction of the President, under the provisions of AR 600-15, 22 September 1943, as amended, and under authority contained in Circular No 32, Headquarters European Theater of Operations, United States Army, 20 March 1944, as amended, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

First Lieutenant Merrill E. Jameson, 01177854, Field Artillery, 690th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight from 11 August 1944 to 8 December 1944. Entered military service from Florida.

IV. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE. Under authority contained in Section I, Circular 348, War Department, 23 August 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the 462nd Medical Collecting Company, for superior execution of duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks. From 22 September 1944 to 15 January 1945, the 462nd Medical Collecting Company rendered meritorious service in the accomplishment of its numerous duties on the continent. Throughout this period, this unit achieved and maintained a high standard of discipline and demonstrated superior performance. It was assigned. The conduct of the 462nd Medical Collecting Company is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service.

Approved of Lieutenant General SIMPSON:

J. E. MOORE,
Brigadier General, GSC, CHIEF STAFF.

Colonel, Adjutant General.

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