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I. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS. By ORIGINAL ORDER 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:

Lieutenant Colonel Robert B. Cobb, 0392511, Infantry, 347th Infantry Regiment, 87th Infantry Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations in Germany on 16 March 1945. Colonel Cobb led the assault wave of his battalion across the Moselle River under heavy enemy fire and organized his troops for further attacks upon hostile positions. Throughout the ensuing action Colonel Cobb remained with the leading elements of his battalion, exposing himself to continual enemy observation and fire while directing the operations. In this action, Colonel Cobb personally killed two enemy soldiers, wounded one and forced the surrender of thirteen more. The extraordinary heroism and courageous action of Colonel Cobb reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Washington.

II. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS (POSTHUMOUS). 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 posthumously awarded to:

Staff Sergeant Maynard M. Jerome, 35550279, Infantry, 119th Infantry Regiment, 30th Infantry Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations in Germany on 25 February 1945. During an attack upon an enemy held town, heavy enemy artillery fire pinned down Sergeant Jerome's squad. Despite the intensity of the fire, Sergeant Jerome moved among his men shouting encouragement and instructions and courageously led them from the danger area. When they came within two hundred yards of the town, intense tank and machine gun fire was encountered and again Sergeant Jerome moved among his men, maintaining control and leading them forward. Although seriously wounded by machine-gun fire, Sergeant Jerome gallantly rose and was successfully advancing his entire squad when he was instantly killed by enemy fire. The extraordinary heroism and courageous actions of Sergeant Jerome reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

III. AWARD OF SILVER STAR. 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 Silver Star is awarded to:

Private First Class Ronald O. Anderson, 35078592, Field Artillery, 291st Field Artillery Observation Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action in Germany on 19 March 1945. Although several enemy shells landed within

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twenty yards of Private Anderson's observation post atop a threshing machine under a shed, he refused to leave his exposed position for the shelter of a dugout where his work would have been less effective. After the concussion from the shell burst had thrown him from the machine, Private Anderson, uninjured, remounted the machine and continued making sound ranging observations. His courageous act resulted in the accurate location of many enemy gun positions, which was of great value to Allied artillery in the preparation for the Rhine River Crossing. The gallantry and courage of Private Anderson reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

IV. 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 Robert F. Tindall, 0410988, (then Major and Lieutenant Colonel), Signal Corps, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 5 September 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

First Lieutenant John W. McDonough, 01798686, Corps of Military Police, 822nd Military Police Company, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 16 November 1944 to 7 May 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

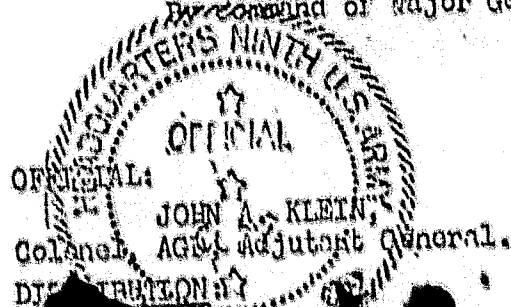
Technical Sergeant Thomas A. Leonard, 31078410, Corps of Engineers, 2941st Engineer Technical Intelligence Team, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 15 November 1944 to 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant Yates R. Linberger, 34256014, Corps of Engineers, 187th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Germany on 24 March 1945. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Sergeant Francis Nichols, 37614972, Corps of Military Police, 822nd Military Police Company, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 16 November 1944 to 7 May 1945. Entered military service from Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade Charles G. Leonard, 31305342, Corps of Engineers, 2941st Engineer Technical Intelligence Team, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 15 November 1944 to 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

By command of Major General MOORE:



GEORGE A. MILLENER
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