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I — SILVER STAR. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Memorandum 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following enlisted man, now missing in action:

Staff Sergeant John E Latimer, 38418395, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * * , Luxembourg on 4 January 1945. Sergeant Latimer, but recently transferred from an ordnance unit to lead an infantry squad, was so engaged when his platoon spear-headed an attack near * * * . In this action, when his platoon leader and platoon sergeant were both wounded, Sergeant Latimer, on his own initiative, immediately assumed command of the platoon and, exposing himself to the enemy fire, reorganized it and led its advance to reach the company objective. Sergeant Latimer's initiative, resourcefulness and leadership, despite his limited infantry experience, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier and upon the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

II — SILVER STAR. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Memorandum 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following officers and enlisted men of this command:

Captain James W Ireland, 0438717, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the vicinity of * * * , Belgium on 30 December 1944. During the course of heavy fighting in a wooded area northeast of * * * , Captain Ireland, Commanding Officer of Company G, * * * Infantry, assumed command of Company E which had suffered numerous casualties including its commander, after a particularly heavy counterattack. Despite intense enemy artillery, rocket and small arms fire, he effectively co-ordinated the action of the two companies, held all enemy attacks, then led both units, depleted by casualties, in an inspiring 800 yard advance. Captain Ireland's dynamic leadership and coolness under fire are in accord with the military traditions of the United States. Entered military service from Nebraska.

First Lieutenant Daniel M Filburn, 01304195, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * * , Germany on 20 and 21 December 1944. On 20 and 21 December, Lieutenant Filburn distinguished himself by outstanding leadership and intrepidity in the defense of a vital sector near * * * against fierce attacks by two companies of German SS troops. The enemy attack commenced almost immediately after Lieutenant Filburn's platoon had taken up defensive positions in a wooded area. Although the Germans were advantageously situated on a hill four hundred and fifty yards to the north and were directing large concentrations of artillery against the defending Americans, Lieutenant Filburn succeeded in repelling the assault, moving freely among his men as he directed the defense. During the engagement, he was sent out to search for supporting armor, located a tank and led it into position even though he was himself exposed to the full fury of enemy fire. He then directed his unit in preparing a trap for the German companies and succeeded in destroying the entire enemy force although it out-numbered his group two to one. Lieutenant Filburn's valiant deeds contributed immeasurably to the success of his organization, and are in accord with the best traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Second Lieutenant John H Hoyert, 0545151, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * * , Luxembourg on 27 December 1944. During an attack on the village of * * * , three members of Lieutenant Hoyert's platoon were trapped in a house well ahead of the American advance. In order to rescue his men, Lieutenant Hoyert organized a patrol and led it against an enemy machine gun emplacement preventing approach to the building. A sudden burst of fire from the German gun killed one member of the patrol and seriously wounded another. Without hesitation, Lieutenant Hoyert made his way to the exposed position where the wounded soldier had fallen, rendered first aid and evacuated him to a place of cover. Returning to the head of his group, Lieutenant Hoyert directed his men to deliver fire against the hostile weapon. Under cover of this fire, he then crawled to the flank of the machine gun, killed two of the crew members and forced the remainder to flee. His daring action cleared the road to the embattled building and freed the men who had been trapped inside. Lieutenant Hoyert's gallant and resourceful leadership was an inspiration to his men, and an important factor in the success of his unit. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technical Sergeant Vivian G Palmore, 33544089, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * * , Belgium on 9 January 1945. As Company F, * * * Infantry, was reorganizing and preparing defenses in terrain which it had just wrested from the enemy, a German counterattack in force threatened the left flank of the second battalion position. Sergeant Palmore, who had been acting as platoon leader for three platoons of Company F for about three weeks, was the only noncommissioned officer on the line. He exposed himself to enemy fire of all types as he moved among the battle-weary troops, instilling in them the confidence he felt in the ultimate success of the operation. Inspired by the intrepidity of their leader, the troops rallied and held firm, went on to regain ground lost during the initial stages of the counterattack, and to rescue five soldiers who were captured early in the action. On the following day, Sergeant Palmore led an attack which succeeded in attaining the company objective. His outstanding leadership, tactical knowledge and tenacity of purpose reflect the highest credit upon Sergeant Palmore, his unit and the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

Staff Sergeant Clyde V Manning, 39696766, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * * , Belgium on 9 January 1945. As Company F, * * * Infantry, was reorganizing and preparing defenses in newly won positions near * * * , the enemy launched a counterattack which threatened to over-run the left flank of the second battalion position. Realizing the necessity for immediate action, Sergeant Manning, a communications sergeant, outlined the situation to a supporting tank platoon in the vicinity and, riding atop one of the tanks, led the tank platoon forward. From this exposed position, he directed the fire and movement of the attacking tanks. He shot and killed an enemy soldier whom he observed approaching his tank with a rocket launcher. Sergeant Manning's intrepidity, initiative, and personal bravery contributed immeasurably to the success of his unit in repulsing the enemy attack. His gallant actions are in accord with the military traditions of the United States. Entered military service from California.

Staff Sergeant Charles McGonaghy, 31306201, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the vicinity of * * * , Belgium on 1 January 1945. As Company L, * * * Infantry, advanced against stiff enemy resistance near * * * , the two forward platoons were pinned down by machine gun fire emanating from a German pillbox on high ground in the path of the advance. Sergeant McGonaghy, leader of a supporting machine gun section, made his way forward, gained a position on one of the few blind spots of the enemy emplacement, and threw hand grenades into an aperture, effectively silencing the machine gun and killing the Germans occupying the pillbox. By his heroism and unhesitating action, the company was enabled to advance and capture its objective. Sergeant McGonaghy's intrepidity is in keeping with the highest military traditions. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Sergeant John F Cheek, 34848598 (then private first class), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * * , Luxembourg on 4 January 1945. When his company's advance was halted by machine gun fire coming from the direction of a haystack in an open field, Sergeant Cheek, a Browning Automatic Rifleman, voluntarily made his way toward the hostile weapon in the face of enemy small arms, mortar and observed artillery fire. Stealthily gaining a position to the rear of the haystack which was only a few yards removed from the German emplacement, he hurled a hand grenade, then opened fire with his Browning Automatic Rifle, killing two of the enemy crew. Having caught the enemy completely off guard by this daring action, Sergeant Cheek then captured a third German soldier as well as the machine gun. Sergeant Cheek's intrepid deeds enabled his unit to resume its advance, undoubtedly prevented many casualties and served as an inspiration to his comrades. Entered military service from South Carolina.

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Technician Fourth Grade Francis A Dellen, 33625220 (then private), Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * * , Luxembourg on 29 December 1944. On 29 December; six wounded men were lying in an exposed position under direct observation by enemy forces less than a hundred yards distant, subject to heavy enemy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire. Seeing the plight of his wounded comrades, Technician Dellen, immediately went to their rescue. Crawling from one soldier to another, he administered first aid and evacuated the men to safety. Even though he was wounded by enemy fire during his efforts, Technician Dellen continued on his mission until all the men had been treated. He then allowed his own wounds to be dressed at the aid station, but voluntarily returned to the front when he learned that there was a shortage of aid men. Technician Dellen's intrepid loyalty to wounded comrades-in-arms was an inspiration to all the men about him, and reflects the highest credit upon the Medical Department of the Army. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

III — SILVER STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Memorandum 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Silver Star previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded, posthumously, to the following officer:

Captain Paul H White, 01287631 (then first lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the vicinity of * * * , Germany on 20 and 21 December 1944. Captain White, Commanding Company B, * * * Infantry, established his troops in defensive positions on the northern edge of the * * * Forest. The Germans launched a counterattack from positions on a hill some 450 yards to the north. Captain White made his way to his outposts and directed automatic weapons fire upon a portion of the hill being used by the enemy as a line of departure. So skillfully did he direct the fire and movement of his troops that the Germans were forced to halt and reorganize. Captain White seized this opportunity to go to the rear in search of armored support. He located a tank and led it through the woods to the point of the enemy thrust, then co-ordinated the direct fire of the tank with that of his troops, causing heavy casualties among the enemy force and precipitating a withdrawal of the remaining Germans to their original position. The American position was then subjected to an enemy artillery barrage lasting over two hours, and followed by a tank-supported infantry attack. Captain White sent an officer for armored support, then moved among his men, inspiring them to their best efforts by his personal bravery. While awaiting the arrival of friendly armor, he directed artillery fire upon the advancing enemy from a position exposed to enemy observation and fire. Upon receiving notification that two friendly tanks were in positions previously designated by him, Captain White ordered a limited withdrawal. The German attackers, approximately two companies of SS troops, ventured forward into the pocket created by the organized withdrawal, and were annihilated by the combined fire of Captain White's men and the two supporting tanks. The enemy attempted several more counterattacks the following day, but each attempt was stopped in its initial stages. Captain White's intrepidity, outstanding leadership and extreme coolness in the face of heavy odds reflect high credit upon his character as an officer and leader of men. Entered military service from West Virginia.

IV — BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Memorandum 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant David I Bowen, 34794378 (then private first class), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of * * * , Germany on 13 and 14 December 1944. Sergeant Bowen, an acting squad leader, directed his machine gun crew in defense of a building in * * * against strong and repeated enemy attacks on 13 December. About 0230 on 14 December the enemy launched a sharp counterattack with rocket launchers and grenades. Despite the fact that each member of his crew was wounded, Sergeant Bowen kept the machine gun in operation, and personally manned the gun when his first gunner fainted from loss of blood. When an enemy rocket disabled the machine gun, the Germans called for the crew to surrender. This demand was answered with rifle fire. At daybreak, this crew secured another machine gun and placed it in operation in the same building. Using the machine gun, carbines, and captured German weapons, the crew, under Sergeant Bowen's

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skillful direction, stopped all enemy attempts to infiltrate into buildings in that vicinity, and held their position until reinforcements arrived at dusk. Sergeant Bowen's courageous and resourceful actions contributed to the success of his unit in maintaining its bridgehead across the * * * River in * * * . Entered military service from Florida.

Staff Sergeant George P Talley, 6923145, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France and Belgium from 12 July 1944 to 12 January 1945. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Sergeant Charles Rowland, 33836550, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Belgium on 1 January 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

V -- BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Memorandum 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted men, now missing in action:

Private First Class William M Barwick, 34684670, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France on 8 December 1944. When an enemy half-track vehicle succeeded in forcing the slight withdrawal of forward elements of Company F, * * * Infantry, Private Barwick, accompanied by two other enlisted men, remained behind and did not withdraw, in order to protect with rifle fire, an officer who held his position in order to adjust artillery fire upon the enemy vehicle. Under cover of the vehicle's machine gun fire, five enemy soldiers dismounted and attacked the small group. While the officer killed one of the enemy, Private Barwick and his companions killed the remainder, and although the enemy half-track was now but twenty-five yards from his position, and still firing, Private Barwick remained in his shallow trench to maintain protection for his officer, until the latter succeeded in adjusting fire that destroyed the vehicle. The bravery, tenacity of purpose and devotion to duty and loyalty to an officer displayed by Private Barwick, reflect credit upon his character. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class Jack Ramey, 13036437, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 20 December 1944. Private Ramey and several members of his wire section were given the mission of laying telephone lines from the battalion observation post to two company command posts. The men made their way across open ground under direct enemy observation, laying wire and making repairs whenever the lines were disrupted by hostile fire. As they were approaching the woods, however, they encountered such heavy artillery shelling that further progress was impossible, and started back. Before the group had reached the observation post, two of the men were wounded by artillery fire, and Private Ramey, together with a comrade, retraced his steps to administer first aid to the wounded crew members. He then went to the battalion aid station in order to secure litter bearers, but finding that none were available, returned to his wounded comrades in an apparent effort to evacuate them himself. Private Ramey has been reported missing since this action. His heroic determination and unselfish loyalty to wounded comrades reflect credit upon his character and training as a soldier and are an honor to the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private Roy E Brasier, 38698366, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France on 8 December 1944. When an enemy half-track vehicle succeeded in forcing the slight withdrawal of forward elements of Company F, * * * Infantry, Private Brasier, accompanied by two other enlisted men, remained behind and did not withdraw, in order to protect with rifle fire, an officer who held his position in order to adjust artillery fire upon the enemy vehicle. Under cover of the vehicle's machine gun fire, five enemy soldiers dismounted and attacked the small group. While the officer killed one of the enemy, Private Brasier and his companions killed the remainder, and although the enemy half-track was now but twenty-five yards from his position, and still firing, Private Brasier remained in his shallow trench to maintain protection for his officer, until the latter succeeded in adjusting fire that destroyed the vehicle. The bravery, tenacity of purpose and devotion to duty and loyalty to an officer displayed by Private Brasier, reflect credit upon his character. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

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VI — BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Memorandum 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officers and enlisted men of this command:

Major Frederick A Reed, 0395510, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg and Belgium from 12 July 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Captain Jules W Gordon, 0398655, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium from 11 July 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain Howard J Moran, 01290235, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Belgium on 9 January 1945. When the enemy halted an advance of the Second Battalion, * * * Infantry, Captain Moran and another officer volunteered to reconnoiter an enemy-held cross-roads to determine strength and deployment of the hostile force. Disregarding artillery barrages and machine gun fire, Captain Moran and his companion conducted a thorough search of the area and successfully located all enemy strongpoints. In the course of their mission, the two officers engaged enemy elements in a fierce fire fight. Using hand grenades, they were able to inflict heavy casualties upon their opponents and force their withdrawal. Later investigation disclosed that fourteen Germans had been killed in this encounter. The courage, initiative and resourcefulness of Captain Moran materially assisted the battalion in the capture of its objective and reflect credit upon his character as an officer. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant Leroy E Lawson, 01323945, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Belgium on 9 January 1945. When the enemy halted an advance of the Second Battalion, * * * Infantry, Lieutenant Lawson and another officer volunteered to reconnoiter an enemy-held cross-roads to determine strength and deployment of the hostile force. Disregarding artillery barrages and machine gun fire, Lieutenant Lawson and his companion conducted a thorough search of the area and successfully located all enemy strongpoints. In the course of their mission, the two officers engaged enemy elements in a fierce fire fight. Using hand grenades, they were able to inflict heavy casualties upon their opponents and force their withdrawal. Later investigation disclosed that fourteen Germans had been killed in this encounter. The courage, initiative and resourcefulness of Lieutenant Lawson materially assisted the battalion in the capture of its objective, and reflect credit upon his character as an officer. Entered military service from Connecticut.

First Lieutenant Robert W Woods, 01030632, Cavalry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France on 22 November 1944. When a strong enemy force threatened to sever the main supply route to the advance elements of the division, Lieutenant Woods led his platoon in the establishment of defensive positions that withstood, unyieldingly, the shock of the enemy attack. Shortly thereafter, Lieutenant Woods led a patrol into * * * , where he established more advantageous positions, which enabled his unit, under his leadership, to force the enemy to withdraw, thereby frustrating the enemy attempt to sever the supply line, and thwarting the enemy threat to isolate the advance elements of the division. Lieutenant Woods' initiative, courage and zeal for the success of his mission, reflect credit upon his character as an officer. Entered military service from Washington.

Second Lieutenant Lewis L Crain, 0887568, Cavalry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France from 10 to 23 December 1944. Entered military service from Kansas.

Second Lieutenant Royal A Offer, 01999979, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Luxembourg on 5 January 1945. Enroute to the company command post, accompanied by his platoon sergeant, Lieutenant Offer, a platoon

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leader, observed a group of approximately twenty enemy soldiers who, after having penetrated our lines, demanded the surrender of the occupants of the command post, among whom was the company commander. Without regard for his own safety, Lieutenant Offer opened fire upon the enemy group that had launched its attack intent upon retaking high ground it had lost the previous morning. In the fire fight that ensued, two enemy soldiers were taken prisoner, and the remainder were forced to withdraw. The courage, initiative and quick thinking displayed by Lieutenant Offer, frustrated the enemy attack and spared possible casualties within his unit. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant Carl V Bell, 36178462, Cavalry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France from 10 to 23 December 1944. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant George Galliart, 37070661, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Luxembourg on 28 December 1944. When one of his squad members was seriously wounded by enemy fire, Sergeant Galliart courageously made his way to the side of the injured man and in spite of intense enemy fire which pinned the remaining members of his unit to their positions, succeeded in evacuating his wounded comrade. Sergeant Galliart's intrepid actions and unselfish concern for the welfare of the men under his command exemplify the finest type of leadership and reflect credit upon the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant Harold A Hansen, 37034199, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of * * * , Belgium on 30 December 1944. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant Walter E Snyder, 33716400, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Belgium on 1 January 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Jean D Swanson, 39015635, Cavalry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France from 10 to 23 December 1944. Entered military service from California.

Sergeant Theodore C Bressette, 36468125 (then private first class), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium from 18 November 1944 to 11 January 1945. Throughout the period mentioned, the courage, daring, resourcefulness and disregard for personal comfort and safety displayed by Sergeant Bressette, a Browning Automatic Rifleman, have proved him to be an asset to his organization and to the military service. Near * * * , France, he discovered two enemy soldiers approaching his unit's flank. Opening fire, he killed one, forced the other to seek cover, pursued and killed him. On another occasion, he spent an entire day, with disregard for the extreme cold and his exposed position, in order to inflict casualties in enemy ranks. On still another occasion, he observed an enemy column approaching his unit. His first burst of fire killed the four leading enemy infantrymen and halted the column, which he then pinned-down with fire until a force from his unit arrived and captured thirty of the enemy. The intrepid actions of Sergeant Bressette during the period mentioned, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant Zenos L Pritchett, 14039925, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France from 12 July to 31 December 1944. Entered military service from Alabama.

Technician Fourth Grade Ottar A Hogstad, 37170847, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 20 December 1944. Entered military service from North Dakota.

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Technician Fifth Grade Joseph J Orlando, 32130797, Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Luxembourg on 5 January 1945. Technician Orlando, a radio operator, was advancing with a forward observers' party attached to Company G, * * * Infantry, when the group was subjected to an intense enemy mortar barrage and the men were forced to seek shelter in foxholes. Noticing a wounded infantryman lying in the vicinity, Technician Orlando left his position of cover and amidst bursting shells, went in search of medical assistance for his wounded comrade. When the observers' party became the target of another heavy shelling approximately an hour and a half later, Technician Orlando repeated his heroic performance by again leaving his foxhole to seek a litter for a wounded officer and aid in his evacuation. On each occasion, Technician Orlando went forward when the barrage was at its height. His heroic zeal and unselfish loyalty reflect credit upon his character and are in accord with the traditions of the Army. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Hugh B Doran, 36971528, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Luxembourg on 5 January 1945. Private Doran, a messenger, was approaching his company command post when he was surprised by an enemy force that fired several shots at him and called for his surrender. Quickly gaining a position of cover, Private Doran answered the hostile challenge with rapid fire from his rifle and threw a hand grenade, driving his opponents back. He then called to the occupants of the command post who had been unaware of the attack but now came to the aid of Private Doran. After a fire fight, two of the enemy were taken prisoner and the remainder forced to withdraw. Private Doran's prompt and courageous actions undoubtedly saved the company command post from capture by the Germans and reflect credit upon his character and training as a soldier. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class Charles E Godfrey, 33039806, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Luxembourg on 27 December 1944. During an attack against the village of * * * , Private Godfrey and two comrades were assigned the mission of capturing a fortified house on the edge of the town. Using a covered approach, the men stealthily made their way to the side of the building and hurled hand grenades into the open windows. Before the enemy had recovered from surprise, Private Godfrey and his companions rushed into the house and after a brief but bitter struggle, succeeded in capturing the entire German garrison, numbering seven men. Enemy machine gun fire from the flanks of the building prevented the Americans from leaving. Undaunted, Private Godfrey and his comrades not only thwarted an enemy attempt to recapture their position, but were able to take three more prisoners. A friendly patrol finally cleared the way to the house, and enabled Private Godfrey and his companions to return to their unit with the prisoners. Private Godfrey's dash, resourcefulness, and zeal for the accomplishment of an important mission greatly contributed to the success of his organization and reflect credit upon his character and training as a soldier. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Joseph R Klinsky, 20723787, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France on 24 November 1944. During an attack on * * * , enemy fire struck a quarter-ton vehicle and trailer loaded with 81mm mortar shells, exploding over a hundred rounds of ammunition. With utter disregard for his safety, Private Klinsky, a messenger, rushed to the danger area and extricated two vehicles, preventing their destruction. To accomplish this task, he was not only forced to make his way amidst bursting shells but was also subjected to a heavy enemy artillery barrage; and the smoke of white phosphorous enveloping the area presented an added handicap. One of the vehicles removed by Private Klinsky, which was also loaded with 81mm mortar ammunition, became ignited as he was driving it to a position of safety. Displaying great courage and presence of mind, Private Klinsky succeeded in extinguishing the flames, saving valuable ammunition as well as the vehicle. Private Klinsky's heroic and resourceful actions in the face of extreme personal danger reflect credit upon his character and training as a soldier, and are in accord with the best traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

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Private First Class Robert M Nunley, 35793285, Cavalry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France on 5 December 1944. Private Nunley and another soldier voluntarily went forward to reconnoiter enemy positions near * * * , making their way through German-held territory infested with mines. By constant and alert observation they were able to determine the exact location of the enemy's main defenses, paths which led through mine fields, and positions of enemy road blocks. It was largely due to this detailed information that division troops were able to advance the following morning and inflict heavy losses upon the enemy. Private Nunley's fearless action and resourceful accomplishment of a vital task reflect credit upon his character and training as a soldier. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private Pilly J Mathis, 38347091, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Luxembourg on 27 December 1944. During an attack against the village of * * * , Private Mathis and two comrades were assigned the mission of capturing a fortified house on the edge of the town. Using a covered approach, the men stealthily made their way to the side of the building and hurled hand grenades into the open windows. Before the enemy had recovered from surprise, Private Mathis and his companions rushed into the house and after a brief but bitter struggle, succeeded in capturing the entire German garrison, numbering seven men. Enemy machine gun fire from the flanks of the building prevented the Americans from leaving. Undaunted, Private Mathis and his comrades not only thwarted an enemy attempt to recapture their position, but were able to take three more prisoners. A friendly patrol finally cleared the way to the house, and enabled Private Mathis and his companions to return to their unit with the prisoners. Private Mathis' dash, resourcefulness, and zeal for the accomplishment of an important mission greatly contributed to the success of his organization and reflect credit upon his character and training as a soldier. Entered military service from Texas.

Private Peter C McGrath, 33166677, Cavalry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France on 5 December 1944. Private McGrath and another soldier voluntarily went forward to reconnoiter enemy positions near * * * , making their way through German-held territory infested with mines. By constant and alert observation they were able to determine the exact location of the enemy's main defenses, paths which led through mine fields, and positions of enemy road blocks. It was largely due to this detailed information that division troops were able to advance the following morning and inflict heavy losses upon the enemy. Private McGrath's fearless action and resourceful accomplishment of a vital task reflect credit upon his character and training as a soldier. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private J C Wallace, 38599516, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Luxembourg on 27 December 1944. During an attack against the village of * * * , Private Wallace and two comrades were assigned the mission of capturing a fortified house on the edge of the town. Using a covered approach, the men stealthily made their way to the side of the building and hurled hand grenades into the open windows. Before the enemy had recovered from surprise, Private Wallace and his companions rushed into the house and after a brief but bitter struggle, succeeded in capturing the entire German garrison, numbering seven men. Enemy machine gun fire from the flanks of the building prevented the Americans from leaving. Undaunted, Private Wallace and his comrades not only thwarted an enemy attempt to recapture their position, but were able to take three more prisoners. A friendly patrol finally cleared the way to the house, and enabled Private Wallace and his companions to return to their unit with the prisoners. Private Wallace's dash, resourcefulness, and zeal for the accomplishment of an important mission greatly contributed to the success of his organization, and reflect credit upon his character and training as a soldier. Entered military service from Arkansas.

VII — BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Memorandum 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following enlisted men of this command:

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Technical Sergeant Robert H Baker, 32850423, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Luxembourg on 5 January 1945. Enroute to the company command post, accompanied by his platoon leader, Sergeant Baker, a platoon sergeant, observed a group of approximately twenty enemy soldiers who, after having penetrated our lines, demanded the surrender of the occupants of the command post, among whom was the company commander. Without regard for his own safety, Sergeant Baker engaged in a fire fight with the enemy, during the course of which, he heard the voice of a wounded enemy soldier ahead of friendly lines, directing enemy action. Sergeant Baker, without regard for the danger involved, went to the wounded man's position, silenced him and took prisoner two enemy soldiers guarding the wounded enemy. Sergeant Baker's intrepid actions, his devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety, contributed toward frustrating the enemy attack and spared possible casualties within his unit. Entered military service from New York.

Corporal Clarence C Howell, 34701647, Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France on 8 and 9 December 1944. Corporal Howell, a scout with the liaison section of his artillery unit attached to the Second Battalion, * * * Infantry, realizing the urgent need for the installation and maintenance of vital communications, worked with tireless energy and disregard for personal safety through the period mentioned. Installing and servicing wire communications in the vicinity of the * * * River, Corporal Howell exposed himself to heavy enemy fire of all types in order to keep open the lines of communication between the liaison officer, forward observers, infantry command post and the artillery fire direction center. Even when enemy mortar shells burst so close to him as to perforate his clothing, he refused to take cover, subordinating his own safety to the task at hand. The courage, devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety displayed by Corporal Howell, formed a notable contribution to the success of artillery support of infantry units crossing the * * * River. Entered military service from Alabama.

VIII — PURPLE HEART. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Memorandum 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following officers and enlisted men of this command for wounds received in action against the enemy on dates indicated:

RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH	DATE WOUNDED	ENTERED MILITARY SERVICE FROM
Major Robert H Townley 045808, Medical Corps	31 Jan	Nebraska
Captain Jerrel E Magruder 01290781, Infantry	22 Jan	Arkansas
Captain Ernest H Schaper 0341361, Field Artillery	29 Dec	California
Captain John W Williams 0355041, Infantry	8 Dec	California
First Lieutenant Charles E Karcher 01016891, Infantry	18 Dec	Illinois
Second Lieutenant Langdon Smith 01018041, Infantry	19 Dec	Wyoming
Technical Sergeant Robert H Baker, 32850423, Infantry	23 Nov	New York
Technical Sergeant Andrew R Garcia 20607962, Infantry	20 Jul	Illinois
Staff Sergeant Frank L Mazzi 33793494, Infantry	21 Jan	Pennsylvania
Staff Sergeant Russel J McIntosh 36116935, Infantry	5 Feb	Michigan
Staff Sergeant Willard T Welcher 37118434, Infantry	16 Sep	Iowa
Technician Third Grade Robert R Sander 20721333, Medical Department	29 Jan	Nebraska
Sergeant Robert L Chesney 32797020, Corps of Engineers	15 Dec	New York
Sergeant Robert Chrysler 32738364, Infantry	26 Jan	New York
Sergeant Louis C Ranaldo 32798210, Corps of Engineers	18 Jul	New York
Sergeant Albert J Schumacker 32747304, Corps of Engineers	15 Dec	New York
Technician Fourth Grade Robert M Johnson 32746688, Corps of Engineers	28 Jan	New York
Technician Fourth Grade Charles F Lewis 34664618, Infantry	19 Dec	North Carolina
Technician Fourth Grade J R Malone 35106284, Infantry	30 Jan	Kentucky
Corporal James W Deal 7084387, Field Artillery	20 Sep	Tennessee
Corporal James A Kimbrell 34603869, Infantry	19 Dec	North Carolina
Corporal Vito Kryalskas 32796671, Corps of Engineers	13 Dec	New York
Corporal Tommie L Pierce 34701566, Field Artillery	29 Jul	Alabama
Technician Fifth Grade Ewald Prewitz 37551313, Medical Department	5 Feb	Minnesota

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RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH	DATE WOUNDED	ENTERED MILITARY SERVICE FROM
Technician Fifth Grade John Grussing 37034660 Medical Department	18 Jul	Nebraska
Technician Fifth Grade Harvey J Laboy 36256860, Infantry	29 Jan	Wisconsin
Technician Fifth Grade Ira L Mann 32796516, Corps of Engineers	29 Dec	New York
Technician Fifth Grade Edgar H Ontjes 20734713, Field Artillery	18 Jan	California
Technician Fifth Grade Bruce E Ross 13185035, Infantry	29 Jan	Pennsylvania
Technician Fifth Grade Charles W Rountree 34578111, Infantry	20 Jan	Georgia
Private First Class Alexander Aitcheson 42079909, Corps of Engineers	28 Jan	New York
Private First Class Joseph R E Beaudry 31375927, Infantry	31 Jan	New Hampshire
Private First Class James R Elder 35480387, Infantry	25 Jan	Kentucky
Private First Class Chester J Figgins 37692604, Infantry	23 Jan	Iowa
Private First Class Edwin J Gorczyca 35840329, Infantry	26 Jan	Indiana
Private First Class Richard L Hensley 37733356, Infantry	20 Jan	Iowa
Private First Class Harry A Krantz 36674236, Infantry	23 Jan	Illinois
Private First Class Robert F Shay 36561410, Infantry	29 Jan	Michigan
Private First Class Robert J Warnan 32747369, Corps of Engineers	29 Jan	New York
Private Harry E Hill 35085232, Infantry	30 Jan	Ohio
Private Rolf G McDaniel 34815397, Infantry	19 Dec	Alabama
Private Jesus M Mejia 38426983, Infantry	20 Jan	Texas
Private Thomas W O'Lone 34705260, Infantry	19 Dec	Illinois
Private Everett F Tooley 33613904, Infantry	14 Dec	Pennsylvania
Private Jack E Welty 33890092, Infantry	26 Jan	Kansas

IX — PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Memorandum 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Purple Heart previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following enlisted men of this command for wounds received in action against the enemy on dates indicated:

RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH	DATE WOUNDED	ENTERED MILITARY SERVICE FROM
Technical Sergeant Loren L Coon 37134702, Infantry	17 Jan	Missouri
Technical Sergeant William A Freed 36029289, Infantry	17 Jan	Illinois
Staff Sergeant Frank Plyler 34096960, Infantry	18 Dec	South Carolina
Staff Sergeant John Tomcak 37034640, Infantry	29 Jan	Nebraska
Sergeant George E Frim 32308413, Infantry	25 Jan	New Jersey
Sergeant Stuart E Muskin 17096354, Infantry	4 Feb	Nebraska
Technician Fourth Grade Joseph C Lewis 13008079, Field Artillery	17 Dec	Pennsylvania
Corporal Dennis J Partlett 32258528, Corps of Engineers	10 Dec	New York
Technician Fifth Grade James A Huskins 34894261, Medical Department	10 Dec	North Carolina
Technician Fifth Grade John Grussing 37034660, Medical Department	21 Jul	Nebraska

X — MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE. Under provisions of Section I, Circular 345, War Department, 23 August 1944, as amended by Section II, Circular 421, War Department, 26 October 1944, a Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the following units of this command for service during period indicated:

UNIT	DATE
110th Medical Battalion	9 July to 31 December 1944
Third Platoon 60th Field Hospital	11 September to 15 December 1944

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XI — BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 1. So much of Section V, General Orders, No 3, Headquarters 35th Infantry Division, 9 January 1945, as pertains to Private First Class William M Barwick, 34684670, Infantry, and Private Roy E Brasier, 38698366, Infantry, is rescinded (see sec V).

2. So much of Section V General Orders No 7, Headquarters 35th Infantry Division, 17 January 1945, as pertains to Staff Sergeant David I Bowen, 34794378, Infantry, is rescinded (see sec IV).

XII — PURPLE HEART. 1. So much of Section V, General Orders, No 32, Headquarters 35th Infantry Division, 14 September 1944, as pertains to Technician Fifth Grade John Grussing 37034660, Medical Department, is rescinded (see sec VIII).

2. So much of Section VIII, General Orders, No 9, Headquarters 35th Infantry Division, 29 January 1945, as pertains to Technical Sergeant William A Freed 36029289, Infantry, is rescinded (see sec IX).

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