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I — SILVER STAR. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, a Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant Olof L Rosenlof, 39826992, Field Artillery, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the vicinity of * * * , France on 8 December 1944. Sergeant Rosenlof, attached to Company E, * * * Infantry, served as artillery forward observer from 6 to 8 December. On the morning of 8 December, an advance group gained the far bank of the * * * River but encountered strong enemy resistance and made little progress from that point, since the enemy was determined to reduce the American bridgehead. Sergeant Rosenlof, exposing himself to enemy fire in order to better his observation of enemy targets, adjusted artillery fire so accurately, that its concentration scattered the enemy force and left the bridgehead intact. The enemy then instituted another counterattack supported by eleven tanks varying in size from the Mark IV to the Tiger Royal. Sergeant Rosenlof immediately acted to meet this new threat. Again exposing himself to the heavy enemy fire, he adjusted artillery fire of such accuracy as to make its effect devastating upon the enemy armor and force its withdrawal. Shortly thereafter, Sergeant Rosenlof was killed by enemy artillery fire. His gallant actions in exposing himself to the enemy fire in order to ensure the success of the battalion mission, are in accord with the traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Utah.

Staff Sergeant Chester Wade, 32794934, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * * , France on 12 December 1944. When his platoon was forced to abandon its task of constructing an infantry footbridge across the * * * River because of intense enemy small arms fire, Sergeant Wade successfully reorganized his unit in defensive positions to ward off impending counterattacks. Some of our infantry had established a bridgehead on the hostile shore, and it was vitally necessary that their efforts were reinforced and the bridge completed so that more troops could accomplish the crossing. The engineer platoon engaged the enemy in a fierce fire fight, during which Sergeant Wade walked up and down behind his men without seeking cover or concealment for himself, pointing out targets and firing at the Germans. While thus engaged, he was struck by an enemy bullet and killed. His inspiring leadership was directly responsible for the successful completion of the platoon mission and the repulse of the enemy and reflects the highest credit upon his character and training as a soldier. Entered military service from New York.

II — SILVER STAR. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, a Silver Star is awarded to the following officer, now missing in action:

Captain William M Denny, 0404647, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action at * * * , Germany on 12 and 13 December 1944. On 12 December, the First Battalion, * * * Infantry, had the mission of establishing a bridgehead on the German side of the * * * River. Company C, commanded by Captain Denny, was to cross first, followed by Company B, and from battalion reserve, Company A. In the assault-boat crossing, because of the swift current, several boats capsized, and several men drowned. When Company C reached the * * * bank of the river, Captain Denny organized his men, and since there had been no artillery preparation for the crossing, the enemy was taken by surprise in two buildings used as strong points,

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sixty-five men and two officers being captured. In accordance with the plan, Captain Denny advanced to take the northern part of town, but now encountered an alerted enemy delivering heavy fire. Under Captain Denny's leadership, his unit repelled the enemy, took six additional buildings, and set up a defensive position from which it repelled still another counterattack and enabled combat engineers to install a footbridge to be used by Companies A and B, as well as a vehicular bridge then under construction. When Company B made its crossing, it was disrupted by enemy action, whereupon its members were incorporated with Captain Denny's command. Shortly after Company A made its crossing, the enemy again counterattacked. Captain Denny, moving among his men, coordinated their fire, encouraged them, checked their positions, as a result of which the enemy was once more repulsed. During all this period, Captain Denny had been tireless in his efforts to ensure his men of adequate food and ammunition. The gallant actions of Captain Denny during the period mentioned, materially contributed to the establishment, strengthening and widening of the American bridgehead over the * * * River and in the control of the village of * * * . Entered military service from Missouri.

III — BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant Frank J Tomasiewicz, 37034080, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at * * * , France on 10 December 1944. When the Second Battalion, * * * Infantry, was given the mission of establishing a bridgehead over the * * * River, the only route of crossing was an old railroad bridge then subjected to heavy enemy fire of all types. The troops made the crossing under cover of darkness, after which, Sergeant Tomasiewicz, a medical section leader, went forward and, despite the heavy enemy fire, established routes for evacuation of the wounded. He remained forward, without regard for personal safety, carrying back litter cases and bringing up medical supplies. While so engaged, he was killed by an enemy artillery shell. Sergeant Tomasiewicz' intrepidity, initiative and devotion to duty, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Private First Class Russell E Grobe, 37481020, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France on 5 December 1944. During the initial attack on * * * , Private Grobe, a Browning Automatic Rifleman, boldly moved at the head of his squad, directing a stream of fire against the enemy and advancing into the outskirts of the city. His aggressive action enabled his platoon to gain entrance into the first buildings on the edge of the town before enemy gun crews could man their machine guns, which had been emplaced at strategic points. As his unit fought its way further into * * * , Private Grobe ran out of ammunition, and was killed by an enemy sniper as he sought cover behind a building. His aggressive deeds and utter disregard for his own safety greatly contributed to the success of his unit, and are a credit to his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Nebraska.

IV — BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted men, now missing in action:

Technical Sergeant James E Gadsey, 34191625, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 14 December 1944. Sergeant Gadsey, a platoon sergeant, assumed command of his platoon when the platoon leader became a casualty. Having placed a group at an outpost position to guard the platoon's exposed right flank, Sergeant Gadsey was moving forward for the purpose of checking the group, when he discovered an enemy force approaching to attack the company's right flank. Although his men were armed only with M-1 rifles and hand grenades, Sergeant Gadsey led them in successfully repelling the enemy attack. Sergeant Gadsey's leadership, resourcefulness and devotion to duty, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Tennessee.

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Private First Class Arthur B Batley, 35067438, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at * * * , Germany on 12 December 1944. The First Battalion, * * * Infantry, was successful in establishing a bridgehead across the * * * River at * * * , but maintenance of the bridgehead was made difficult by a strong enemy counterattack supported by tanks, which resulted in the capture of a large number of men of Company B. During the course of the counterattack, Private Batley, together with seven comrades, all riflemen, fought his way to a house, where they established a defensive position, and from which they determinedly defended the left flank of the bridgehead. So tenacious was the defense of their position, that Private Batley, assisted by his comrades, was enabled to repel two enemy counterattacks, force the enemy to withdraw from adjoining buildings, leaving many dead and wounded, and frustrate the enemy attempt to reduce the bridgehead. His courage, devotion to duty and tenacity of purpose, aggressively employed, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Ohio.

V — BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and enlisted men of this command:

First Lieutenant Charles N Fournier, 01042567, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France from 28 September to 27 December 1944. Entered military service from California.

Technical Sergeant Pleeze A Ford, 37017260, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France on 11 December 1944. As the Third Battalion, * * * Infantry, made an assault crossing of the * * * River, Sergeant Ford, forward observer for Cannon Company, established an observation post in the top story of a building in the city. Despite enemy shell fire directed at his position, he remained at his post and directed his cannon fire successfully against an enemy tank that was holding up the advance of the battalion. Direct hits by enemy counterbattery artillery fire forced him to establish a new observation post, from where he spotted a group of German infantrymen. He directed artillery fire against these men, which forced them to take shelter in a building. Their shelter was then overrun by elements of the battalion, and fifty-two prisoners were taken. Sergeant Ford's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon his character as a soldier and upon the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant Donley R Cramer, 20544366, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at * * * , Germany on 12 and 13 December 1944. Sergeant Cramer, a wireman, assisted by two other wiremen, had installed wire circuits between the regimental command post and the first battalion command post. Throughout the period mentioned, assisted by his companions, and under heavy concentrations of enemy fire, he searched for and repaired breaks in the line as they occurred. His devotion to duty, ability to apply his technical knowledge under fire and his disregard for personal safety, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Sergeant William P Bacakos, 37209187 (then private first class), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at * * * , Germany on 12 December 1944. The First Battalion, * * * Infantry, was successful in establishing a bridgehead across the * * * River at * * * , but maintenance of the bridgehead was made difficult by a strong enemy counterattack supported by tanks, which resulted in the capture of a large number of men of Company B. During the course of the counterattack, Private Bacakos, together with seven comrades, all riflemen, fought his way to a house, where they established a defensive position, and from which they determinedly defended the left flank of the bridgehead. So tenacious was the defense of their position, that Private Bacakos, assisted by his comrades, was enabled to repel two enemy counterattacks, force the enemy to withdraw from adjoining buildings, leaving many dead and wounded, and frustrate the enemy attempt to reduce the bridgehead. His courage, devotion to duty and tenacity of purpose, aggressively employed, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Nebraska.

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Sergeant William L Lemity, 35622250 (then private first class), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 15 December 1944. On 15 December, the Second Battalion, * * * Infantry, was holding defensive positions in wooded terrain north of * * * , and since no units were situated on the flanks of the battalion position and no antitank weapons were available, it was imperative that possible routes of approach for enemy tanks be mined to prevent an attack. Sergeant Lemity voluntarily went forward and reconnoitered various locations which the enemy might utilize in a tank assault, braving heavy German artillery, mortar and small arms fire to complete his task. When darkness set in, he led a six-man crew to the sites he had selected and together with his men, laid mines in front of the lead rifle companies which eliminated the possibility of a successful German tank assault. Sergeant Lemity's courage, initiative and resourceful leadership prove him a credit to the United States Army. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade John T Everett, 38000982, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at * * * , Germany on 12 and 13 December 1944. Technician Everett, a wireman, assisted by two other wiremen, had installed wire circuits between the regimental command post and the first battalion command post. Throughout the period mentioned, assisted by his companions, and under heavy concentrations of enemy fire, he searched for and repaired breaks in the line as they occurred. His devotion to duty, ability to apply his technical knowledge under fire and his disregard for personal safety reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class Aubrey D Allen, 38446765, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at * * * , Germany on 12 December 1944. The First Battalion, * * * Infantry, was successful in establishing a bridgehead across the * * * River at * * * , but maintenance of the bridgehead was made difficult by a strong enemy counterattack supported by tanks, which resulted in the capture of a large number of men of Company B. During the course of the counterattack, Private Allen, together with seven comrades, all riflemen, fought his way to a house, where they established a defensive position, and from which they determinedly defended the left flank of the bridgehead. So tenacious was the defense of their position, that Private Allen, assisted by his comrades, was enabled to repel two enemy counterattacks, force the enemy to withdraw from adjoining buildings, leaving many dead and wounded, and frustrate the enemy attempt to reduce the bridgehead. His courage, devotion to duty and tenacity of purpose, aggressively employed, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Arkansas.

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 Clarence A Campbell, 34491458, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at * * * , Germany on 12 December 1944. The First Battalion, * * * Infantry, was successful in establishing a bridgehead across the * * * River at * * * , but maintenance of the bridgehead was made difficult by a strong enemy counterattack supported by tanks, which resulted in the capture of a large number of men of Company B. During the course of the counterattack, Private Campbell, together with seven comrades, all riflemen, fought his way to a house, where they

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established a defensive position, and from which they determinedly defended the left flank of the bridgehead. So tenacious was the defense of their position, that Private Campbell, assisted by his comrades, was enabled to repel two enemy counterattacks, force the enemy to withdraw from adjoining buildings, leaving many dead and wounded, and frustrate the enemy attempt to reduce the bridgehead. His courage, devotion to duty and tenacity of purpose, aggressively employed, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class Jimmie W Caplinger, 38681830, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at * * * , Germany on 12 December 1944. The First Battalion, * * * Infantry, was successful in establishing a bridgehead across the * * * River at * * * , but maintenance of the bridgehead was made difficult by a strong enemy counterattack supported by tanks, which resulted in the capture of a large number of men of Company B. During the course of the counterattack, Private Caplinger, together with seven comrades, all riflemen, fought his way to a house, where they established a defensive position, and from which they determinedly defended the left flank of the bridgehead. So tenacious was the defense of their position, that Private Caplinger, assisted by his comrades, was enabled to repel two enemy counterattacks, force the enemy to withdraw from adjoining buildings, leaving many dead and wounded, and frustrate the enemy attempt to reduce the bridgehead. His courage, devotion to duty and tenacity of purpose, aggressively employed, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class Melford E Chalk, 38508975, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at * * * , Germany on 12 December 1944. The First Battalion, * * * Infantry, was successful in establishing a bridgehead across the * * * River at * * * , but maintenance of the bridgehead was made difficult by a strong enemy counterattack supported by tanks, which resulted in the capture of a large number of men of Company B. During the course of the counterattack, Private Chalk, together with seven comrades, all riflemen, fought his way to a house, where they established a defensive position, and from which they determinedly defended the left flank of the bridgehead. So tenacious was the defense of their position, that Private Chalk, assisted by his comrades, was enabled to repel two enemy counterattacks, force the enemy to withdraw from adjoining buildings, leaving many dead and wounded, and frustrate the enemy attempt to reduce the bridgehead. His courage, devotion to duty and tenacity of purpose, aggressively employed, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Private First Class Marvin R Clynch, 38629526, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at * * * , Germany on 12 December 1944. The First Battalion, * * * Infantry, was successful in establishing a bridgehead across the * * * River at * * * , but maintenance of the bridgehead was made difficult by a strong enemy counterattack supported by tanks, which resulted in the capture of a large number of men of Company B. During the course of the counterattack, Private Clynch, together with seven comrades, all riflemen, fought his way to a house, where they established a defensive position, and from which they determinedly defended the left flank of the bridgehead. So tenacious was the defense of their position, that Private Clynch, assisted by his comrades, was enabled to repel two enemy counterattacks, force the enemy to withdraw from adjoining buildings, leaving many dead and wounded, and frustrate the enemy attempt to reduce the bridgehead. His courage, devotion to duty and tenacity of purpose, aggressively employed, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class Karl C Hayes Jr, 18053268, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 18 December 1944. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class Chester E Illingworth, 6136838, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at * * * , Germany on 12 December 1944. The First Battalion, * * * Infantry, was successful in establishing a bridgehead across the * * * River at * * * , but maintenance of the bridgehead was made difficult by a strong enemy counterattack supported by tanks, which resulted in the capture of a large number of men of Company B. During the course of the counterattack, Private Illingworth,

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together with seven comrades, all riflemen, fought his way to a house, where they established a defensive position, and from which they determinedly defended the left flank of the bridgehead. So tenacious was the defense of their position, that Private Illingworth, assisted by his comrades, was enabled to repel two enemy counterattacks, force the enemy to withdraw from adjoining buildings, leaving many dead and wounded, and frustrate the enemy attempt to reduce the bridgehead. His courage, devotion to duty and tenacity of purpose, aggressively employed, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class Hilman T Thompson, 37162845, 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 Thompson, 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 Thompson 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 Thompson 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 Thompson, reflect credit upon his character. Entered military service from South Dakota.

Private First Class Emmet J Van Natter, 36567256, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, near * * * , France on 10 December 1944. During the course of an attack against the enemy defending the town of * * * , Private Van Natter, a rifleman, who had taken up a firing position in the second story of a house, observed two soldiers of his unit lying wounded in the middle of an open field which was being subjected to enemy small arms and machine gun fire. Without thought of personal safety, Private Van Natter traversed the exposed terrain and reached the wounded men. He administered first aid, then carried first one, then the other to positions of safety. His courageous action under fire saved the lives of the two wounded soldiers. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class Joseph B Williams Jr, 34766596, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, in the vicinity of * * * , France on 8 December 1944. Private Williams was on duty as a messenger with Headquarters Second Battalion, * * * Infantry, when a radio operator was seriously wounded by sniper fire. Private Williams retrieved the radio and kept it in operation under enemy fire, maintaining communications with the companies of the battalion which were engaged in repulsing fierce enemy counterattacks. At about 2100 that evening, Private Williams, on duty as a sentry, heard a noise to the front, investigated, saw two German soldiers, and killed one of them. Private Williams' alertness, initiative and zealous devotion to duty reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class Robert L Wilson, 6387984, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at * * * , Germany on 12 and 13 December 1944. Private Wilson, a wireman, assisted by two other wiremen, had installed wire circuits between the regimental command post and the first battalion command post. Throughout the period mentioned, assisted by his companions, and under heavy concentrations of enemy fire, he searched for and repaired breaks in the line as they occurred. His devotion to duty, ability to apply his technical knowledge under fire and his disregard for personal safety, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Alabama.

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

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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.

Private Theodore C Keefer, 36672945, 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 16 December 1944. Private Keefer, an aid man, accompanied Company I, * * * Infantry, as it attacked enemy forces located in * * * . As the unit penetrated into the woods, it was subjected to an intense enemy artillery and mortar barrage, which wounded Private Keefer and three of his companions. Despite his wounds, and in the midst of heavy shelling, Private Keefer proceeded to bandage and care for his wounded comrades. He then covered all three men with his body to prevent further injury and remained in that position until all four men could be evacuated. Private Keefer's intrepid actions and unselfish loyalty to wounded comrades reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Illinois.

VI — BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following officer and enlisted man, now missing in action:

Captain William M Denny, 0404647, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France on 3 and 4 December 1944. Entered military service from Missouri.

Sergeant Late B Goodwin, 35748504, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France on 4 December 1944. Sergeant Goodwin was in charge of a squad which was to check the condition of a bridge near * * * preparatory to an attack by the Second Battalion, * * * Infantry. Upon arriving at the bridge site, Sergeant Goodwin noticed five Germans working in the vicinity, evidently intending to destroy the bridge. He quickly deployed his men and gave the signal to open fire before the enemy had a chance to complete their destructive mission. All five Germans were killed. Sergeant Goodwin's quick and decisive action in a precarious situation saved a bridge which was of vital importance in the ensuing operations, and is in accord with the traditions of the Army. Entered military service from West Virginia.

VII — BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following officers of this command:

Captain Jesse G Beattie, 0465081, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France on 17 December 1944. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Captain John W Williams, 0355041, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France on 3 and 4 December 1944. Entered military service from California.

VIII — AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following officer, now missing in action:

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Second Lieutenant Harvey J Henderson, 01185049, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight over France during the period 12 November to 12 December 1944. Entered military service from Illinois.

II — AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). 1. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following officer of this command:

Second Lieutenant Harold O Svendby, 01182973, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight over France during the period 11 November to 16 December 1944. Entered military service from North Dakota.

2. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, a third bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following officer of this command:

Captain Robert E Philbeck, 0293430, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight over Lorraine, France on 25 November 1944. When heavy fire from an enemy long range gun frustrated all attempts of our troops to rebuild a bridge across the * * * River which was part of a vital supply route, Captain Philbeck, an Aerial Observer, flew deep into enemy territory in an artillery observation plane to spot the hostile weapon. Displaying great skill as an observer and unusual perseverance, he succeeded in locating the gun and through accurate direction, enabled our artillery to put it out of action. Captain Philbeck's courage and resourcefulness made possible the continued flow of supplies to our attacking infantry and reflect credit upon his character as an officer. Entered military service from Tennessee.

3. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, a fourth bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following officer of this command:

First Lieutenant Donald W Foe, 01172004, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight over France during the period 13 October to 10 December 1944. Entered military service from Wyoming.

4. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, a sixth bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following officer of this command:

First Lieutenant Raymond P Johnson, 0551952, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight over France during the period 5 November to 8 December 1944. Entered military service from South Dakota.

By command of Major General BAADE:

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