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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, posthumously, to the following:

First Lieutenant John F Bariani, 01185434, Field Artillery, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * *, Germany on 31 March 1945. When an outpost of an infantry unit reported two enemy machine guns emplaced to the front, Lieutenant Bariani, forward observer, voluntarily made his way ahead of our lines and to a position within fifty yards of the enemy guns when he was pinned down by enemy fire and an enemy rocket-launcher team moved toward him. He waited until the team neared his position, then directed artillery fire which destroyed the rocket-launcher and its crew. Remaining in his forward position, he directed artillery fire in the destruction of the enemy machine gun emplacements before returning to his original position. Lieutenant Bariani's bravery, coolness under fire, and accurate fire direction, honor his character as an officer. Entered military service from California.

Sergeant Joseph J Madanski, 35929756, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * *, Germany on 15 April 1945. While leading the attack of his platoon across an open field, Sergeant Madanski, an acting squad leader, saw a well-concealed enemy machine gun, warned his troops to take cover, then when the enemy weapon opened fire, remained in an exposed position and silenced the machine gun with rifle fire. He continued firing upon other enemy positions in the area to cover withdrawal of his men, and while so engaged was killed by enemy fire. Sergeant Madanski's gallant self-sacrifice is in accord with military tradition. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private Richard W Stoll, 42088978, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the vicinity of * * *, Germany on 17 April 1945. Private Stoll was on outpost duty during the course of a strong enemy attack. Although it soon became apparent that his position would be over-run by the enemy, Private Stoll remained at his post, firing his rifle until he had expended his last round, then started toward his platoon command post. He was wounded by enemy fire, but heroically continued forward until he reached his platoon leader, to whom he imparted information relative to the strength and disposition of attacking enemy troops, thereby enabling his unit to thwart the attack. Entered military service from New York.

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:

Captain Homer W Kurtz, 01306602, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * *, Germany on 15 and 16 April 1945. As his company advanced across the * * * River toward * * * against increasingly bitter enemy resistance, Captain Kurtz made his way forward under intense fire, personally took charge of the spearhead platoon and, through the skillful use of fire and movement, led his troops on to the objective against numerically superior enemy forces. When a powerful enemy counterattack the following morning penetrated his lines, disrupting communications and cutting the avenue of approach for reinforcements, Captain Kurtz quickly organized and maneuvered a part of his company in a brilliantly executed attack which achieved tactical surprise and resulted in disorganization and heavy casualties among the German troops. Captain Kurtz's intrepidity and outstanding leadership ability honor his character as an officer and leader of men. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Staff Sergeant Melvin C Lindstrom, 37070285, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the vicinity of * * *, Germany on 9 April 1945. While leading his squad, which was assigned the mission of protecting the flank of his company as it advanced against the enemy, Sergeant Lindstrom personally destroyed an enemy rocket-launcher team, killed three members of a German machine gun crew and, when part of the squad was pinned to position by an enemy sniper, he signaled one of the riflemen to attract the attention of the sniper, then took careful aim and killed the German. Sergeant Lindstrom's courageous initiative, exemplary leadership and expert marksmanship reflect credit upon his character and training as a soldier. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant Joyan W Peterson, 37170994, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * *, Germany on 6 March 1945. When the advance of his platoon was halted by enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Peterson, a squad leader, flanked the enemy position, killed an enemy gunner and captured six Germans, thereby relieving the pressure on his unit. Sergeant Peterson then went forward under enemy fire and evacuated a wounded comrade, then directed a tank to a forward position and assisted in the evacuation of two more seriously wounded men. Sergeant Peterson's intrepidity and loyalty to wounded comrades reflect high credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant William J Story, 37006052, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * *, Germany on 14 April 1945. When his truck was ambushed by the enemy as he was engaged in picking up road guides after a tactical move, Sergeant Story, a platoon sergeant, coolly directed the deployment of his men and, displaying a high order of personal bravery, killed one of the Germans at close range, assisted in placing six wounded men in the vehicle despite intense automatic weapons fire, then drove the vehicle with one hand as he held a wounded soldier on the running board with the other. He delivered his wounded comrades to an aid station, enabling them to receive prompt treatment. Sergeant Story's bravery, initiative and quick thinking honor his character as a noncommissioned officer. Entered military service from Kansas.

Sergeant Vernon E Reese, 37540890, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the vicinity of * * *, Germany on 1 April 1945. Sergeant Reese was in charge of the leading squad of his company which was attacking strong enemy positions in a group of buildings near the village of * * *. After securing his initial objective, Sergeant Reese and his squad were isolated from other units of the company. While members of his squad provided covering fire, Sergeant Reese made his way forward under enemy observation and fire, reached a building which the enemy had converted into a strongpoint, and threw a hand grenade into it. He then directed the fire and movement of his troops as they continued mopping-up operations in the strongpoint and adjoining buildings, then reorganized his squad and established all-around security. Sergeant Reese's outstanding bravery, initiative and tactical ability honor his character and training as a soldier. Entered military service from Kansas.

Sergeant Charles J Schena, 31431194, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * *, Germany on 17 April 1945. As his platoon moved into defensive positions along the * * * River and before all positions had been assigned or occupied, Sergeant Schena observed a group of ten Germans attacking another squad on a dike, in an apparent attempt to destroy a bridge spanning the * * * River. In the face of intense enemy fire, Sergeant Schena dashed forward at the head of his squad, coolly selected positions for his men, and directed their fire and movement with excellent tactical judgment. Two Germans were killed in the ensuing fire fight and the remainder forced to flee. Sergeant Schena's inspiring leadership, initiative and disregard for personal safety reflect the highest credit upon his character and training as a soldier. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class Joseph E Kelsoe, 38686772, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the vicinity of * * *, Germany from 8 to 10 February 1945. Taken prisoner while serving on a combat patrol, Private Kelsoe, a rifleman, refused to give any information to the Germans and was struck in the face by the interrogating officer. Taking advantage of the resultant confusion, he grabbed a rifle, rendered a guard unconscious, shot the officer, and made his escape. After crawling about four hundred yards, he came upon a hostile machine gun emplacement,

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hurled a grenade into it, and destroyed the gun and killed the three crew members. He reached the American lines after being subjected to two mortar barrages and traversing mine fields, trenches and barbed wire entanglements. Information furnished by Private Kelsoe to his commanders was of great value in ensuing operations. His intrepidity and resourcefulness reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class Mersalaw S Lampa, 36035252, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * *, Germany on 16 April 1945. While serving as a sentry, Private Lampa noticed a column of about ninety Germans approaching his position. After awakening his section sergeant, Private Lampa personally manned a heavy machine gun, wounded eight Germans and caused the remainder to disperse. When enemy rocket and small arms fire made his position untenable, Private Lampa made his way to another position from which he observed a group of twenty Germans approaching a building not far from his gun position. Realizing that immediate action was necessary to prevent the enemy from over-running our positions, Private Lampa made his way to the machine gun under heavy enemy fire, placed it in operation, and delivered such effective fire that the enemy force was compelled to withdraw after suffering heavy casualties. His gallant actions are in accord with military tradition. Entered military service from Illinois.

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 to the following:

First Lieutenant Henry L Peterson, Q1018916, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * *, Germany on 5 March 1945. Lieutenant Peterson directed the fire of his tank in destroying two enemy guns as he led his platoon to the approaches of * * * where he dismounted his tank and proceeded into the town on foot to make a reconnaissance. He was fired upon by snipers, whereupon he procured a German bazooka and fired it into the house used by the snipers, effectively silencing them. Returning to his tank, Lieutenant Peterson led his tank platoon into the town. When a well-concealed antitank gun fired at point blank range, knocking out his tank, he jumped into a trench where he encountered six enemy soldiers. He killed one and wounded two, forcing the remainder to flee. Lieutenant Peterson covered the withdrawal of his crew to the platoon position. Although wounded while rejoining his platoon, Lieutenant Peterson secured infantry support, returned to the town, set up a defense perimeter, and directed his troops in repulsing a sharp counterattack that night. His dynamic leadership, fortitude and zealous devotion to duty honor his character as an officer and leader of men. Entered military service from Washington.

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:

Private First Class Alvie L Sanderson, 20730395, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 14 April 1945. When the truck in which he was riding was ambushed by the enemy, Private Sanderson and five comrades dismounted, took up positions near the vehicle, and engaged in the sharp fire fight which ensued. Although mortally wounded, Private Sanderson returned the enemy fire until he died. His courageous self-sacrifice is in accord with military tradition. Entered military service from Missouri.

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:

Major Walter A Wattigney, 0348596, Inspector General's Department, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Louisiana.

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Major Leo B White, 01573664, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 1 November 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain Marion R Cobb, 02047596, Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Holland, Belgium and Germany from 9 July 1944 to 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Missouri.

Captain J Lloyd Fitzpatrick, 0383348, Finance Department, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

Captain Thomas L Gee, 01178161, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 30 November 1944 to 2 May 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

Captain Charles F Guilford, 0387787, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 2 January to 23 April 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain Henry H Hare, 0263891, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from California.

First Lieutenant Robert W Adams, 01306046, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant Julius Cahn Jr, 01002877, Adjutant General's Department, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Louisiana.

First Lieutenant Donald R Cockerill, 01291418, Corps of Military Police, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Germany from 1 March to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

First Lieutenant Dudley P Cook, 02049204, ~~Medical Corps~~ MAC (6037), United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 24 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant Melvin H Frank, 01019024, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Holland and Germany from 28 February to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Lieutenant Lee R DeRouen, 01300139, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 20 August 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Louisiana.

First Lieutenant Paul Hill, 0324286, 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 1 April 1945. Lieutenant Hill, commanding a machine gun platoon of Company D, * * * Infantry, supported the advance of Company A against the enemy. His outstanding leadership, together with his resourcefulness in taking over the firing of one of his guns when the gunner became a casualty, was instrumental in enabling the riflemen to gain their objective despite the fact that the enemy defended their positions from well dug-in emplacements along railroad tracks. His actions are in accord with military tradition. Entered military service om Missouri.

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First Lieutenant Thomas J Ryan, 01999959, 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 April 1945. During the course of an enemy counterattack, Lieutenant Ryan, directing his 60mm mortar platoon with outstanding tactical ability, expended a total of 2200 rounds of 60mm mortar ammunition within a period of fifty minutes, knocking out four enemy machine guns and causing a large number of German casualties. German prisoners of war stated that this mortar barrage was the most horrifying they had ever witnessed, and the battalion commanding officer credited Lieutenant Ryan and his platoon with holding off the enemy attack. Lieutenant Ryan's actions are in accord with high military tradition. Entered military service from Nebraska.

First Lieutenant Edwin H Ward, 0540783 (then second lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 19 August 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from New Mexico.

First Lieutenant Miles L Ward, 0887575, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 16 June 1944 to 27 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

Second Lieutenant William E Riley, 01015653, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Germany from 28 February to 6 March 1945. Entered military service from New York.

Second Lieutenant Winfred D Young, 02009606, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 16 April 1945. While Lieutenant Young and an enlisted man were engaged in reconnoitering enemy positions, they were captured and marched toward the rear under guard. Displaying a high order of personal bravery, Lieutenant Young and his companion suddenly turned on their guards, killed one and rendered the other unconscious, then made their way to their unit, where they directed very effective mortar fire upon enemy emplacements which they had discovered while behind the enemy lines. Lieutenant Young's heroic actions are in accord with military tradition. Entered military service from Missouri.

Chief Warrant Officer Jack W Seaman, W2111984, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Master Sergeant Jerome L Hoffman, 20723745, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Master Sergeant Ernest J Laqua, 37002233, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

First Sergeant Charles W Ficke, 20720140 (then staff sergeant), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Missouri.

Technical Sergeant Gerard H Baker, 20724307, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technical Sergeant Louis H Blanken, 32720178, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

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Technical Sergeant Walter W Vickland, 20720908, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg and Germany from 17 September 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant Waldo M Banker, 37036106, Medical Department, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 24 April 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant John E Bounds, 35469983, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 13 July 1944 to 5 May 1945. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant Anthony C Callister, 39681032, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 6 May 1945. Entered military service from Utah.

Staff Sergeant Oscar P Compton, 35882718, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 6 March 1945. When his platoon was subjected to machine gun fire emanating from a group of farm buildings, Sergeant Compton, a squad leader, entered one of the buildings, surprised and captured two members of a machine gun crew, then assisted in evacuating two wounded comrades to an evacuation point on an improvised stretcher. His courageous actions and devotion to the wounded are in accord with military tradition. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant John W Daniel, 20720134, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Missouri.

Staff Sergeant Donald L Davis, 20720116, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Missouri.

Staff Sergeant John P Driscoll, 33700036, 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 28 March 1945. When his squad was pinned to position by enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Driscoll, a squad leader, and a comrade flanked the enemy emplacement despite sniper and mortar fire, then assaulted the enemy position, killing one member of the crew and capturing three others. Sergeant Driscoll and his comrade then turned the machine gun on the enemy, forcing the surrender of nine more Germans. Sergeant Driscoll's courageous initiative under fire is in accord with military tradition. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Harry W Dusold, 36838141, 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 30 March 1945. When several enemy rocket-launcher teams supported by infantrymen placed heavy fire upon tanks protecting the flank of Company B, * * * Infantry, advancing toward * * *, Sergeant Dusold, a squad leader, and two comrades moved forward by fire and movement under enemy observation, and engaged the enemy forces in a sharp fire fight. During the course of this action, Sergeant Dusold and his comrades killed or wounded twelve Germans and forced the remainder to retreat. His intrepid actions enabled our tanks to advance and neutralize enemy gun positions, thereby facilitating the advance of Company B to its objective. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant Joseph F Gilbert, 32720127, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant Rex R Hart, 6965772, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Belgium. Holland and Germany from 28 January to 30 April 1945. Entered military service om South Carolina.

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Staff Sergeant Richard N Julian, 13053707, 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 28 March 1945. When his squad was pinned to position by enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Julian, a squad leader, and a comrade flanked the enemy emplacement despite sniper and mortar fire, then assaulted the enemy position, killing one member of the crew and capturing three others. Sergeant Julian and his comrade then turned the machine gun on the enemy, forcing the surrender of nine more Germans. Sergeant Julian's courageous initiative under fire is in accord with military tradition. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Thomas L Killough, 12109111, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 6 July 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant Frank Madden, 36146215, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 16 April 1945. While serving as forward observer for his heavy mortar section, Sergeant Madden discovered enemy troops emplacing guns nearby and directed fire which killed six and induced the surrender of two enemy soldiers, who agreed to effect their comrades' surrender. When two of the surrendering group attempted to escape to their own lines, Sergeant Madden killed them with machine gun fire. By his alertness, skill and initiative, Sergeant Madden was responsible for the elimination of the enemy gun position, the death of eight and the capture of twenty-five enemy troops. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Billy V McCleary, 37581987, 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 30 March 1945. When several enemy rocket-launcher teams supported by infantrymen placed heavy fire upon tanks protecting the flank of Company B, * * * Infantry, advancing toward * * *, Sergeant McCleary, a squad leader, and two comrades moved forward by fire and movement under enemy observation, and engaged the enemy forces in a sharp fire fight. During the course of this action, Sergeant McCleary and his two comrades killed or wounded twelve Germans and forced the remainder to retreat. His intrepid actions enabled our tanks to advance and neutralize enemy gun positions, thereby facilitating the advance of Company B to its objective. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant John J McFarland, 31371831, 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 30 March 1945. When several enemy rocket-launcher teams supported by infantrymen placed heavy fire upon tanks protecting the flank of Company B, * * * Infantry, advancing toward * * *, Sergeant McFarland, a squad leader, and two comrades moved forward by fire and movement under enemy observation, and engaged the enemy forces in a sharp fire fight. During the course of this action, Sergeant McFarland and his two comrades killed or wounded twelve Germans and forced the remainder to retreat. His intrepid actions enabled our tanks to advance and neutralize enemy gun positions, thereby facilitating the advance of Company B to its objective. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant Jewel D Nelson, 17108431, 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 9 March 1945. While his company was attacking the stubborn enemy defenses along the * * * River, Sergeant Nelson, a squad leader, and two comrades occupied a forward observation post from which they directed artillery and tank fire against the enemy. Although this position was subjected to heavy enemy shellfire, Sergeant Nelson and his companions remained on duty for a period of ten hours. His courage, disregard for personal safety, and skill in adjusting effective fire materially aided in the success of the drive to the * * * River. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant Onofrio Orlando, 32792662, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 25 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

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Staff Sergeant Charles L Snyder, 37034436, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant George D Swisher, 33137873, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 24 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Joseph G Wieczorek, 32639795, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 19 September 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant Leo B Carrithers, 37070889, 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 9 March 1945. While his company was attacking the stubborn enemy defenses along the * * * River, Sergeant Carrithers, an assistant squad leader, and two comrades occupied a forward observation post from which they directed artillery and tank fire against the enemy. Although this position was subjected to heavy enemy shellfire, Sergeant Carrithers and his companions remained on duty for a period of ten hours. His courage, disregard for personal safety, and skill in adjusting effective fire materially aided in the success of the drive to the * * * River. Entered military service from Kansas.

Sergeant Cyril J Claseman, 37189315, 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 9 March 1945. While his company was attacking the stubborn enemy defenses along the * * * River, Sergeant Claseman, an assistant squad leader, and two comrades occupied a forward observation post from which they directed artillery and tank fire against the enemy. Although this position was subjected to heavy enemy shellfire, Sergeant Claseman and his companions remained on duty for a period of ten hours. His courage, disregard for personal safety, and skill in adjusting effective fire materially aided in the success of the drive to the * * * River. Entered military service from Iowa.

Sergeant Paul L Curry, 35492892, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant William E Hartwig, 35392562, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 19 June 1944 to 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant Oliver Murray, 34746585, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Holland and Germany from 1 February to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Alabama.

Sergeant Barney R Rouse Jr, 34120367, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 6 March 1945. Under enemy sniper fire, Sergeant Rouse, a tank commander, dismounted from his tank to repair a defective coaxal gun. Although pinned down three times by enemy antitank fire, he rejoined his platoon shortly before its officers became casualties, at which time he assumed command of the platoon, maintained a radio control for the medium tanks, helped direct three attacks, and continued to act as forward observer despite withdrawal of friendly tanks and infantry on several occasions. Sergeant Rouse's calm but aggressive leadership contributed materially to the ultimate success of the operation. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Sergeant Carl R Schlenker, 38691647, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 19 April 1945. During an enemy artillery barrage when several of his comrades were wounded by shrapnel, Sergeant Schlenker, assisted by another

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noncommissioned officer, left his place of comparative safety, crossed oper terrain subjected to the enemy fire, administered first aid under fire and brought the men to a position of safety. Sergeant Schlenker's selfless act in devotion to his comrades reflects credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Texas.

Sergeant Albert E Scully, 31431450, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 19 April 1945. During an enemy artillery barrage when several of his comrades were wounded by shrapnel, Sergeant Scully, assisted by another noncommissioned officer, left his place of comparative safety, crossed open terrain subjected to the enemy fire, administered first aid under fire and brought the men to a position of safety. Sergeant Scully's selfless act in devotion to his comrades reflects credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Sergeant Frederick A Votenz, 36558861, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade Edmund J Lucia, 32796668, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 25 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fourth Grade Grant E Timmerman Jr, 39387017, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Washington.

Corporal Willis C Davis, 34606803, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 6 May 1945. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Corporal Erich Iffland, 32213781, Corps of Military Police, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 4 August 1944 to 26 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fifth Grade Harry C Brault, 6714918, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 6 May 1945. Entered military service from Washington.

Technician Fifth Grade William E Brown, 38102478, Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of * * *, Germany on 30 March 1945. When the infantry unit to which Corporal Brown, a radio operator, was attached was subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire as it moved along a roadway, the forward observer ordered Corporal Brown's radio be placed in operation to call a fire mission on the enemy. Despite his exposed position, Corporal Brown operated his radio under enemy fire, enabling enemy positions to be brought under artillery fire with minimum delay. His courageous devotion to duty honors his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Fifth Grade Harwood H Fawcett Jr, 39705258, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from California.

Technician Fifth Grade Raymond A Moore, 37189399, Infantry, United States Army for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade James E Tate, 32726604, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from New York.

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Private First Class Edgar L Brown, 36463218, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 14 April 1945. When the truck in which he was riding was ambushed by the enemy, Private Brown and five comrades dismounted, took up positions near the vehicle, and engaged in the sharp fire fight which ensued. Private Brown then assisted in loading the wounded men into the vehicle despite intense enemy fire, and administered first aid to the wounded as the truck moved to safety. His heroism, fighting spirit, and coolness under fire reflect credit upon Private Brown's character as a soldier. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class Jerry Consola, 32990164, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 9 March 1945. Despite heavy enemy mortar fire which partially destroyed his command post, Private Consola, a mortar gunner, remained at the side of his seriously-wounded platoon leader, administered first aid, and assisted in his evacuation to an aid station when the barrage lifted. He then returned to his gun position and assisted in manning a mortar in support of the battalion advance. His coolness under fire reflects credit upon Private Consola's character as a soldier. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class Wade J Daigle, 38194155, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 2 August 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class Vincent Dooley, 37034401, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of the * * * Canal, Germany on 12 March 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Private First Class Robert J Dorrian, 33787748, 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 28 March 1945. When his unit was pinned to position by intense concentrations of small arms and machine gun fire emanating from positions near a railroad embankment, Private Dorrian, voluntarily and alone, displaced his machine gun forward and opened fire upon enemy positions, whereupon the enemy fire shifted to his position. Although twice wounded during the ensuing melee, Private Dorrian continued firing his weapon, enabling his unit to continue the attack, and saving the lives of several wounded men who were lying exposed to enemy fire. His courageous actions honor his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class James T Lawton, 32947178, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of * * *, Germany on 25 February 1945. During the course of an attack by the First Battalion, * * * Infantry, against the village of * * *, numerous casualties were sustained due to the fact that the approaches to the town were heavily mined and these mined areas were covered by enemy small arms and mortar fire. Private Lawton, an aid man attached to Company D, moved into the mined area numerous times, administering first aid to all wounded. Despite the fact that on three different occasions he was knocked down by the concussion of mine explosions, he remained at his duties with utter disregard for his own personal safety and the precariousness of his position. His actions are in accord with high military tradition. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class William J Moran, 32718319, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, France on 15 December 1944. While serving as a guard at a foot bridge across the * * * River, Private Moran was painfully wounded by shell fragments, and a guard on the opposite shore was seriously wounded. Without hesitation, Private Moran dashed across the bridge, administered first aid to his wounded comrade, then ran four hundred yards for assistance. Only after assisting in the evacuation of his comrade would Private Moran submit to first aid for himself, and he then refused evacuation until a relief guard arrived. His courageous actions and extreme devotion to duty honor his character as a soldier. Entered military service from New York.

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Private First Class Leon Schneider, 36543627, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 14 April 1945. When the truck in which he was riding was ambushed by the enemy, Private Schneider and five comrades dismounted, took up positions near the vehicle, and engaged in the sharp fire fight which ensued. Private Schneider then assisted in loading the wounded men into the vehicle despite intense enemy fire, and assisted in guarding three enemy prisoners of war as the truck moved to safety. His heroism, fighting spirit, and coolness under fire reflect credit upon Private Schneider's character as a soldier. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class Gordon Shepard, 39126062, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 9 March 1945. Despite heavy enemy mortar fire which partially destroyed his command post, Private Shepard, a mortar gunner, remained at the side of his seriously-wounded platoon leader, administered first aid, and assisted in his evacuation to an aid station when the barrage lifted. He then made his way to his gun position and assisted in manning a mortar in support of the battalion advance. Private Shepard's coolness under fire reflects credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class Robert A Sherrill, 34505486, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 14 April 1945. When the truck in which he was riding was ambushed by the enemy, Private Sherrill and five comrades dismounted, took up positions near the vehicle, and engaged in the sharp fire fight which ensued. Private Sherrill then assisted in loading the wounded men into the vehicle despite intense enemy fire, and assisted in guarding three enemy prisoners of war as the truck moved to safety. His heroism, fighting spirit, and coolness under fire reflect credit upon Private Sherrill's character as a soldier. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class Edgar H Wright, 36986867, 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 28 March 1945. When a squad of his company became pinned to position by enemy machine gun fire, Private Wright, a rifleman, made his way under fire to an exposed position in the window of a nearby building and, despite enemy sniper and mortar fire, remained in full view of the enemy while he covered the flanking movement of two of his comrades who were enabled to neutralize the enemy emplacement. Private Wright's courageous actions honor his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private Tiburcio Fierova, 18155251, Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of * * *, Germany on 30 March 1945. When the infantry unit to which Private Fierova, a radio operator, was attached was subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire as it moved along a roadway, the forward observer ordered Private Fierova's radio be placed in operation to call a fire mission on the enemy. Despite his exposed position, Private Fierova operated his radio under enemy fire, enabling enemy positions to be brought under artillery fire with minimum delay. His courageous devotion to duty honors his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Texas.

VI -- 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:

Captain Clarence E Stephens Jr, 0429739, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Holland, Belgium and Germany from 8 November 1944 to 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Captain John W Walleigh Jr, 0536426, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 25 January to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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First Lieutenant John R Patrick, 0412639, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Holland and Germany from 28 January to 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant Raymond C Wilson, 0546005 (then second lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Germany from 10 to 21 April 1945. During this period Lieutenant Wilson displayed a high order of personal bravery, aggressive leadership and sound tactical judgment in leading his company in a drive across the * * * River and into the stubbornly defended village of * * *, Germany, then across the * * * River into the village of * * *, where he skillfully effected the relief of another unit under intense enemy artillery, mortar and tank fire. His cool, courageous leadership under fire served as a constant source of inspiration to the men under his command. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant James F Wasson, 38463754, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 16 April 1945. While Sergeant Wasson and an officer were engaged in reconnoitering enemy positions, they were captured and marched toward the rear under guard. Displaying a high order of personal bravery, Sergeant Wasson and his companion suddenly turned on their guards, killed one and rendered the other unconscious, then made their way to their unit, where they directed very effective mortar fire upon enemy emplacements which they had discovered while behind the enemy lines. Sergeant Wasson's heroic actions are in accord with military tradition. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Sergeant Henry J Lehman, 42138388, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 16 April 1945. After his platoon had gained a precarious foothold on the edge of the town, Sergeant Lehman led his squad in clearing a row of houses held by the enemy which would give his platoon a much better field of fire. Using cover and concealment skillfully, he personally led a five-man assault team forward under heavy enemy fire, personally knocked out an enemy automatic weapon position with concussion grenades, then coolly directed the clearing of enemy riflemen from the buildings. Sergeant Lehman then returned across open terrain under heavy enemy fire to guide the machine gun section and mortar observer to the newly captured buildings from which they brought intense fire upon enemy positions. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class John M Garrison, 31344791, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of * * *, Germany on 6 March 1945. During an attack by his company against the enemy, Private Garrison, an aid man, despite a hail of enemy fire, went to the side of three wounded men, administered first aid and evacuated them to the aid station for further treatment. Later during the battle, Private Garrison crawled to the side of a wounded man who was lying in the path of an enemy machine gun which was firing bursts into the area. He gave first aid to the soldier and then pulled him back to a position from which he could be evacuated. His courageous actions and initiative reflect great credit upon him and are in accord with military tradition. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class Thomas A Heneghan, 36642518, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 15 April 1945. When three men were wounded and another killed during an attack, Private Heneghan, an aid man, voluntarily went forward to treat the wounded although they were not members of the platoon to which he was attached. Under heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire, he rendered first aid to all three of the wounded men, then fashioned a litter, using rifles, and with the help of a rifleman carried the most seriously wounded man to safety. His personal bravery, initiative and devotion to the welfare of the wounded reflect credit upon Private Heneghan's character and upon the Medical Department of the Army. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Private First Class Emmett J VanNatter, 36567256, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 14 April 1945. When the truck which he was riding was ambushed by the enemy, Private VanNatter and five comrades dismounted, took up positions near the vehicle, and engaged in the sharp fire fight which ensued. Although wounded, Private VanNatter covered other members of the group as they loaded the wounded into the vehicle, then clung to the side of the truck as it moved through the ambush to safety. His courage, fighting spirit, and disregard for personal safety reflect credit upon Private VanNatter's character as a soldier. Entered military service from Michigan.

VII -- AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). 1. 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 Air Medal previously awarded, a fourth Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

First Lieutenant Henry A Roseberry, 01173438, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight over Germany during the period 9 March to 2 May 1945. Entered military service from Florida.

2. 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 Air Medal previously awarded, a sixth bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

First Lieutenant John L Cecil, 01169052, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight over Germany during the period 7 March to 17 April 1945. Entered military service from Kentucky.

VIII -- MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE. Pursuant to authority contained in 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 unit of this command for service during period indicated:

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Headquarters Company, 137th Infantry	11 July 1944 to 1 April 1945

IX - SILVER STAR. So much of Section II, General Orders, Number 31, Headquarters 35th Infantry Division, 8 May 1945, as pertains to First Lieutenant John F Bariani, 01185434, Field Artillery, is rescinded (see sec I).

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