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I — SILVER STAR (Posthumous Awards). 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 officer and enlisted men:

Major Edwin C Pumroy, 0278838, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the * * * River sector near * * *, France, on 15 September 1944. While coordinating an assault river crossing, Major Pumroy, Commanding Officer, * * * Engineer Combat Battalion, made an extensive personal reconnaissance for a fording site in the face of observed enemy fire. By first lowering the river level by opening locks, then remaining in the river to guide leading elements around deep holes which he had discovered at the fording site, he ensured the successful completion of the assault crossing. He was killed in action seven days later while leading a patrol in enemy territory. Major Pumroy's aggressive personal leadership, initiative, resourcefulness and utter disregard for personal safety, reflect credit upon his character as an officer and are in accord with the military traditions of the United States. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class Russell L Cook, 37070960, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the * * * sector, Normandy, France, 17 July 1944. As a support platoon moved forward to protect the right flank of Company E, * * * Infantry, which was advancing against stiff resistance, the platoon was pinned down by machine gun fire from a well concealed emplacement. Private Cook voluntarily crawled a distance of some fifty yards in the direction of the enemy machine gun, then, after signalling to his platoon sergeant to "watch me", stood upright and ran toward the enemy machine gun, which opened fire and killed him instantly. By his heroic self-sacrifice, Private Cook enabled his platoon sergeant to ascertain the exact position of the enemy emplacement, and it was thereupon destroyed by mortar fire. The gallantry in action on the part of Private Cook reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

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Private First Class Ernest C Pugh, 34880358, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the * * * sector, Normandy, France, 17 July 1944. Private Pugh, a rifleman, was a member of a squad assigned the mission of covering the withdrawal of two platoons which had encountered flanking machine gun fire while advancing down a sunken road. After the platoons had successfully withdrawn, Private Pugh volunteered to cover the withdrawal of his own squad. As the last elements of his squad withdrew, enemy infantrymen rushed his positions. He succeeded in killing three of the enemy before he was himself killed. The gallant actions of Private Pugh, whose self-sacrifice enabled his comrades to withdraw from a precarious position, reflect the highest credit upon his character as a soldier and upon the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

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 and enlisted men of this command:

Second Lieutenant Norwood D Tichenor, 01312606, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the * * * sector, Normandy, France, on 18 July 1944. Company H, * * * Infantry, was hampered by enemy machine gun fire from a village along its route of advance. Lieutenant Tichenor crawled well forward to string wire over which to direct the fire of his mortar platoon, as a result of which the enemy gun emplacements were destroyed. As the advance continued, fire from the village again pinned down the company. On his own initiative, Lieutenant Tichenor organized a reconnaissance rifle patrol which he personally led into the village, located the enemy strongholds, and called for mortar fire which neutralized the

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enemy positions and enabled Company H to continue its advance. The courageous actions of Lieutenant Tichenor, his tenacity of purpose and zealous devotion to duty, reflect credit upon his character as an officer and are in accord with the military traditions of the United States. Entered military service from California.

Sergeant Robin L. Finlay, 37071020, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the vicinity of * * *, France, 12 September 1944. The lead platoon of his company was advancing near * * *, when it took refuge in a nearby farmhouse upon the approach of enemy tanks which entered the courtyard and prepared to fire upon the building. Sergeant Finlay left his place of comparative safety behind a cement wall, ran to within fifteen feet of the lead tank and fired two rifle grenades into the driver's port, after which the armored vehicles withdrew, enabling the platoon to rejoin the unit and continue its advance. The intrepid actions of Sergeant Finlay, his initiative and courage, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier, and is such gallantry in action as to be in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

Sergeant Raymond Meier, 37070797 (then private), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the * * * sector, Normandy, France, 16 July 1944. When the advance of Company G, * * * Infantry, was slowed down by enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Meier crawled forward and called in German to the enemy to surrender, whereupon the enemy threw several grenades at him, none of which injured him. Having thus located the emplacement, Sergeant Meier threw a grenade into the enemy emplacement, destroying the gun and killing several of the crew, thereby enabling the company to continue its advance. Sergeant Meier's gallantry in action is in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technician Fifth Grade Harold J. Lange, 36334871, Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the * * * sector, Normandy, France, on 12 July 1944. Technician Lange, an aid man, crawled across a hedgerow and into an open field swept by enemy machine gun fire in order to administer first aid and evacuate a scout who had been seriously wounded while reconnoitering ahead of his company. The gallantry and zealous devotion to duty on the part of Technician Lange in placing the welfare of a wounded comrade above his personal safety, reflect the highest credit upon his character as a soldier and upon the Medical Department of the Army. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Donald H. Johnson, 36776390, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the vicinity of * * *, France, 11 August 1944. When an attempt by his unit to advance over railroad tracks toward the City of * * * was hampered by a group of enemy riflemen dug in at the railroad embankment, Private Johnson, a Browning Automatic Rifleman, Company L, * * * Infantry, crept to a flanking position and fired upon the group with such volume and accuracy that he killed four of the enemy, forced the remainder to withdraw and enabled his unit to advance across the tracks. The gallant action of Private Johnson, his devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety, reflect the highest credit upon his character as a soldier, and upon the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant Homer Snavely, 35226658 (then private first class), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the vicinity of * * *, France, on 10 August 1944. Sergeant Snavely, a machine gunner, left the comparative safety of a roadside ditch during an intense enemy mortar barrage and went to the aid of two wounded men who were lying in an exposed position on a road. Acting with complete disregard for personal safety, he carried first one and then the other to safety. The gallant actions of Sergeant Snavely in placing the welfare of his wounded comrades-in-arms above his personal safety, resulted in saving them from further wounds and probable death, and reflect the highest credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private Francis G. Hansen, 32788480, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the * * * sector, Normandy, France, on 17 July 1944. When the advance of his company was held up by enemy machine gun and automatic weapons fire from a hedgerow to the front, Private Hansen, accompanied by another soldier, crawled forward and moved along the hedgerow throwing grenades into the enemy positions and returning grenades thrown in their direction by the enemy. The intrepid actions of Private Hansen, his courage, initiative and utter disregard for personal safety were directly responsible for the destruction of two enemy machine gun positions and inflicting numerous casualties upon enemy forces in this area, enabling his unit to resume its advance. Entered military service from New York.

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III — BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Posthumous Awards). 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:

Technician Fifth Grade Angelo J Mineconzo, 32747186, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of * * * , France, 15 September 1944. When the enemy vigorously opposed the crossing of the * * * River near * * * on 15 September, covering possible fording sites with heavy concentrations of mortar and small arms fire, Technician Mineconzo, a member of a squad of engineers reconnoitering for fording sites, disregarding the heavy enemy fire and determined that the mission be accomplished, proceeded with his task, but while so engaged, was killed by enemy fire. Technician Mineconzo's devotion to duty, disregard for personal safety and zeal for the accomplishment of the mission, materially contributed to the reconnaissance which made possible an assault crossing of the river, and reflect credit upon his character as a soldier and upon the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Richard K Keeshan, 37144743, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, in the * * * sector, Normandy, France, on 17 July 1944. In the operation against * * * , when his platoon had been reorganized for a holding position to deliver fire upon an enemy machine gun on the top floor of a three-story building, Private Keeshan, with two other enlisted men, one a squad sergeant, the other a senior scout, formed a patrol for the purpose of flanking the building. When the patrol fired rifle grenades into the building, the enemy gun was destroyed and two of its crew were captured. Returning to his unit with the prisoners, Private Keeshan was killed by enemy artillery fire. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Kansas.

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 officers, warrant officer, and enlisted men of this command:

Lieutenant Colonel Kenneth H Reed, 0341038, Field Artillery, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 12 July to 2 September 1944. Entered military service from Kansas.

Major George R Allin Jr, 024760, Field Artillery, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 10 July to 9 September 1944. Entered military service from Territory of Hawaii.

Major Myron A Funk, 0360867, Field Artillery, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 10 to 18 September 1944. Entered military service from Kansas.

Major Kenneth J Gleason, 0253142, Medical Corps, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 12 September 1944. Entered military service from Kansas.

Major Thomas P McElroy Jr, 0370258, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 6 September 1944. Entered military service from North Dakota.

Captain Lloyd D Friedman, 0355751, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 12 July to 20 September 1944. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Captain David Robinson, 0438684, Medical Corps, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 12 September 1944. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Captain Galen S Rodabaugh, 01693768, Medical Corps, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 12 September 1944. Entered military service from Ohio.

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Captain Herman A Ruff, 0393838, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 20 September 1944. Entered military service from Kansas.

Captain James A Scott, 0470641, Medical Corps, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 12 September 1944. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Captain John L Seberg, 0346895, Dental Corps, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 14 September 1944. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Captain Donald F Trees, 0471022, Medical Corps, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 12 September 1944. Entered military service from Kansas.

Captain Harry J Vaughn Jr, 01016260, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of the * * * River, France, 11-12 September 1944. In the crossing of the * * * River, Captain Vaughn, commanding Company B, * * * Tank Battalion, so successfully coordinated and supervised the action of his tanks with that of the * * * Infantry, that not only did the tank-infantry team secure a bridgehead across the river with no casualties of personnel or materiel in the tank battalion, but its armored vehicles destroyed six German half-tracks, two tanks, two 88mm guns, three antitank guns and two staff cars, and captured one hundred and twenty-five enemy prisoners. The success of the operation was materially facilitated by Captain Vaughn's leadership and tactical acumen, and reflects credit upon his character as an officer. Entered military service from Tennessee.

First Lieutenant Lawrence H Bixby, 01011294, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of * * *, France, 11 August 1944. The * * * Tank Battalion made an assault in the direction of * * * on 11 August, to aid in the relief of a battalion of the * * * Infantry Division which had been isolated in the vicinity of Hill Number 317. Lieutenant Bixby, a tank platoon leader, led one of the platoons in the assault which consisted of three waves of five tanks each. During the operation, eleven of these tanks were immobilized, but disregarding the fact that the advance of his tank was under full enemy observation and subjected to intense enemy artillery and antitank fire, Lieutenant Bixby proceeded on his mission and not only reached the objective, but pursued the enemy into the hills beyond. Lieutenant Bixby, together with the other three remaining tanks, then held his gains until the arrival of a relief unit the following morning. Lieutenant Bixby's devotion to duty and tenacity of purpose reflect credit upon his character as an officer and upon the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

First Lieutenant Stevie F Fox, 01297517, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service on 23 August 1944. Entered military service from Kentucky.

First Lieutenant Roman W Knopke, 01306599, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service on 15 July 1944. Entered military service from Minnesota.

First Lieutenant Charles W Parkhurst, 01297240, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 14 September 1944. Entered military service from Missouri.

First Lieutenant William A Schuwerk, 01318711, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 20 September 1944. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant Sidney Silverman, 01310921, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 13 September 1944. Entered military service from Michigan.

First Lieutenant Pierce S Smith, 0284098, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 20 September 1944. Entered military service from Georgia.

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Chief Warrant Officer Byron R Mudge, W2111989, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 20 September 1944. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Master Sergeant Chester V Jackson, 20724120, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 22 September 1944. Entered military service from Kansas.

Master Sergeant Cecil Kearns, 6667301, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 18 September 1944. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Master Sergeant Stanley G Koziel, 20607829, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 18 September 1944. Entered military service from Illinois.

Master Sergeant Wallace L Webb, 37070567, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 20 September 1944. Entered military service from Kansas.

First Sergeant Herman T Ashmore, 20725886, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 11 July to 31 August 1944. Entered military service from Kansas.

First Sergeant Roy J Payne, 37000745, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, France, 11 September 1944. As Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, * * * Infantry moved forward to establish the battalion command post, it was necessary for the unit to cross an exposed area. After the leading elements of the company had entered the area, it was pinned down by intense enemy fire. A thick woods nearby offered the only immediate protection. Without regard for personal safety, Sergeant Payne exposed himself to the intense enemy fire in order to direct the route of safe withdrawal for the company. Sergeant Payne's disregard for personal safety, his resourcefulness and devotion to duty, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technical Sergeant Cleo Reynolds, 20724996 (then staff sergeant), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the * * * sector, Normandy, France, 11-12 July 1944. During this two-day period, Sergeant Reynolds served as forward observer for an 81mm mortar platoon. Sergeant Reynolds strung wire to the observation post under enemy machine gun fire, and made at least twenty trips through heavy enemy artillery fire during this period to repair breaks in the wire caused by the incessant enemy artillery and mortar barrages. By his courage, coolness under fire, and zealous devotion to duty, he set an inspiring example for other members of the platoon, and enabled his platoon to place accurate mortar fire upon enemy positions. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technical Sergeant William H Sachs, 20725618, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 12 July to 20 September 1944. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technical Sergeant George C Steed, 20725790 (then staff sergeant), Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 13 to 15 July 1944. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant Fred Cottriel, 19065962, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service 19 and 20 September 1944. Entered military service from California.

Staff Sergeant Meredith H Hammers, 37070956, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the * * * sector, Normandy, France, 15 July 1944. In the operation against * * *, the flanking company then supported by Sergeant Hammers' company, was forced to withdraw, during which movement its mortar gunners were exposed to heavy enemy sniper fire, necessitating the firing of their weapons from prone positions. Because of possible encirclement by the enemy in this action, Sergeant Hammers, a squad leader, took a position with his squad beside the mortar, and by his leadership, successfully directed fire upon the enemy until they were forced to withdraw, removing the danger of encirclement. The disregard for personal safety displayed by Sergeant Hammers, and his tenacity of purpose, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Kansas.

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Staff Sergeant Ralph E Hunt, 37070930, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 12 to 17 July 1944. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant Francis J Laibe, 35541926, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service on 15 July 1944. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Robert A Sivert, 35323483, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 18 June to 22 September 1944. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Lloyd W Smith, 36634761 (then corporal), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the * * * sector, Normandy, France, 15 July 1944. In the operation against * * *, Company H, * * * Infantry, supported the flanking company of the battalion. Sergeant Smith, a mortar gunner, remained at his position when an intense enemy artillery barrage forced the withdrawal of the company, and delivered such accurate fire, that he destroyed two harassing enemy machine gun positions. Later in the day, when his mortar section was being outflanked and threatened with encirclement, Sergeant Smith continued to fire his weapon to cover withdrawal of all members of his section. By his intrepid actions, Sergeant Smith has shown himself to be an outstanding fighting infantryman. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant John P Tritsch, 37070383, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the * * * sector, Normandy, France, 15 July 1944. Sergeant Tritsch led a mortar squad in support of Company G, * * * Infantry. Despite intense enemy artillery and sniper fire, Sergeant Tritsch organized and supervised ammunition carrying parties to assure a constant supply of ammunition to the mortar positions. When his mortar squad was ordered to follow the leading company, the squad crossed a field mined by the enemy, in which one mine exploded. Sergeant Tritsch induced the belief by his men that the explosion was that of a mortar shell, as a result of which he maintained control of his squad and selected a safe passage for them through the mine-field. The leadership, resourcefulness and tenacity of purpose of Sergeant Tritsch reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant Orville K Warner, 37070371, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, in the * * * sector, Normandy, France, on 13 July 1944. Sergeant Warner moved forward under heavy enemy machine gun fire and succeeded in establishing an observation post for his mortar section within twenty-five yards of the enemy. While directing fire of his mortars upon the enemy positions, his telephone line was severed by machine gun fire. He crawled into the open and made the necessary repairs, then returned to the observation post and continued to direct accurate fire upon the enemy positions. The courage, tenacity of purpose, and accurate fire control on the part of Sergeant Warner was largely responsible for driving the enemy from strong positions in this area. Entered military service from Kansas.

Sergeant John F Gingerella Jr, 36561819, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, in the * * * sector, Normandy, France, on 12 July 1944. Although his position was infiltrated and almost overrun by the enemy during a sharp counterattack, Sergeant Gingerella, a mortar squad leader, remained at his forward observation post and directed accurate mortar fire which was of great assistance in repulsing the counterattack with heavy losses to the enemy. The tactical initiative, resourcefulness, and utter disregard for personal safety on the part of Sergeant Gingerella reflect the highest credit upon his character as a soldier and upon the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant Jesse W Mason Jr, 37116868, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of * * *, France, 11 August 1944. The * * * Tank Battalion made an assault in the direction of * * * on 11 August, to aid in the relief of a battalion of the * * * Infantry Division, which had been isolated in the vicinity of Hill Number 317. Sergeant Mason, a tank commander, commanded one of the tanks in the assault which consisted of three waves of five tanks each. During the

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operation, eleven of these tanks were immobilized, but disregarding the fact that the advance of his tank was under full enemy observation and subjected to intense enemy artillery and antitank fire, Sergeant Mason proceeded on his mission and not only reached the objective, but pursued the enemy into the hills beyond. Sergeant Mason, together with the other three remaining tanks, then held his gains until the arrival of a relief unit the following morning. Sergeant Mason's devotion to duty and tenacity of purpose reflect credit upon his character as a soldier, and upon the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

Sergeant George E Trainham, 32234755, Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service from 12 July to 14 September 1944. Entered military service from New York.

Corporal James A Deuvall, 20809972 (then private), Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service on 15 July 1944. Entered military service from Texas.

Corporal Anthony R Frechette, 36233963, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, in the vicinity of * * *, France, 18 September 1944. Corporal Frechette led a group of aid men in the wake of a tank and infantry attack on Hill Number 272 in the * * * River sector. When the other aid men had been wounded, Corporal Frechette assisted in their evacuation, and, after sending to the rear for help and supplies, continued forward alone, in the face of enemy fire of all types which caused heavy casualties among the infantry, and administered first aid to numerous wounded soldiers. Later, he voluntarily accompanied a tank crew assigned the mission of relieving a company of infantrymen isolated in the village of * * *. When the tank commander was wounded, Corporal Frechette quickly and efficiently administered first aid. His courage, coolness, devotion to duty and utter disregard for personal safety reflect great credit upon his character as a soldier and upon the Medical Department of the Army. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Corporal Richard J Lange, 36258372, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the * * * sector, Normandy, France, 15 July 1944. When the advance of Company G, * * * Infantry was hampered by intense enemy machine gun fire, Corporal Lange, Company H, * * * Infantry, was ordered to establish a mortar position for fire upon the enemy gun emplacements. The only defiladed area permitting overhead clearance for mortar fire lay in a field heavily mined by the enemy. Disregarding personal safety, Corporal Lange set up his weapon in the mined field, and, despite heavy enemy artillery fire exploding the mines about him, remained at his post and destroyed the enemy gun emplacements, enabling the battalion to continue its advance. The courage, devotion to duty and tenacity of purpose on the part of Corporal Lange, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Corporal Russell O Milz, 36561269 (then private first class), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, in the * * * sector, Normandy, France, on 15 July 1944. Private Milz, an ammunition handler, exposed himself to heavy enemy fire in order to keep the mortar section of his company supplied with ammunition. Later the same day, when his section was pinned down by enemy fire so intense that it was necessary to fire the mortars from a prone position, he again left his place of comparative safety and travelled some two hundred yards over exposed terrain to bring up a supply of ammunition, thereby contributing to the successful accomplishment of the company mission. His devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal George C Thomas, 34505705 (then private), Infantry, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service on 15 July 1944. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class Roscoe L Krause, 36212220, 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 9 August 1944. When his company was surrounded by the enemy, cut off from communication with adjacent units, and subjected to heavy enemy fire of all types, Private Krause and two other soldiers volunteered to secure aid. Their mission was successful and relief obtained, but while infiltrating through enemy-held territory, the patrol encountered a group of the enemy, and Private Krause was missing after the ensuing fire fight. The

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courage, resourcefulness and disregard for personal safety on the part of Private Krause reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class Joseph Oliva, 36561710, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France, 11 September 1944. As Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, * * * Infantry, moved forward to establish the battalion command post, it was necessary for the unit to cross an exposed area. After the leading elements of the company had entered the area, it was pinned down by intense enemy fire. A thick woods nearby offered the only immediate protection. Without regard for personal safety, Private Oliva exposed himself to the intense enemy fire in order to direct the route of safe withdrawal for the company. Private Oliva's disregard for personal safety, his resourcefulness and devotion to duty, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private Quitman B Drake, 34682895, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, near * * * , France, 11 September 1944. As his company, riding on tanks, advanced through a woods, Private Drake, a rifleman, noticed a cleverly camouflaged enemy bazooka team, quickly fired two shots and killed two of the enemy. Eight other Germans then emerged from the woods and surrendered. The quick thinking and initiative on the part of Private Drake undoubtedly prevented casualties in the tank column, and elicited praise from his superior officers. Entered military service from Georgia.

V -- 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 of this command:

Colonel Robert A Ellsworth, 015780, Field Artillery, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service on 12 September 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Washington.

Sergeant John F Gingerella Jr, 36561819, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, in the * * * River sector, Normandy, France, 3 August 1944. Sergeant Gingerella, a mortar squad leader, moved his observation post well forward in the face of heavy enemy fire. Although wounded, he remained at his post and directed the fire of his mortar in the destruction of two enemy machine guns which had held up the advance of his company. The tactical initiative, resourcefulness, and utter disregard for personal safety on the part of Sergeant Gingerella reflect the highest credit upon his character as a soldier and upon the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

VI -- PURPLE HEART. 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 Purple Heart is awarded to the following officers, warrant officer, and enlisted men of this command for wounds received in action against the enemy in France on dates indicated:

<u>RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH</u>	<u>DATE WOUNDED</u>	<u>ENTERED MILITARY SERVICE FROM</u>
Captain Jesse Beattie, 0465081, Field Artillery	16 Aug	Nebraska
Captain Robert L Stephenson 0414886, Infantry	22 Sep	Kansas
Captain Frederick S Webster 0370294, Medical Corps	11 Sep	Nebraska
Second Lieutenant James B Glidewell 0887566, Corps of Engineers	21 Sep	Missouri
Second Lieutenant John P Herbst 01183701, Field Artillery	22 Sep	New Jersey
Second Lieutenant Wilbur G Hobbs 0887555, Infantry	18 Sep	Kansas
Second Lieutenant Donald J Jewell 02049287, Medical Corps	11 Sep	Maryland
Second Lieutenant Roy P Reynolds 01318226, Infantry	20 Sep	Kansas
Warrant Officer (Junior Grade) Howard B Fleener W2106900, United States Army	10 Aug	Kansas
Master Sergeant John C Abbey 37001867, Field Artillery	10 Aug	Kansas
Technical Sergeant Frederick H Parks 20726152, Infantry	20 Sep	Kansas
Staff Sergeant James E Bainbridge 36426463, Field Artillery	19 Sep	Illinois

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Staff Sergeant Lloyd W Belt Jr 20726362, Infantry	20 Sep	Kansas
Staff Sergeant Bill Brock 6970105, Field Artillery	19 Sep	Alabama
Staff Sergeant Harvey L Gardner 33528287, Infantry	16 Sep	Virginia
Staff Sergeant Ernest F Hofer 35747932, Infantry	18 Sep	West Virginia
Staff Sergeant Dennis J O'Connell 39244231, Infantry	22 Sep	California
Staff Sergeant Eugene L Fayne 33094511, Field Artillery	20 Sep	Washington, DC
Staff Sergeant Leslie A Smith 20724305, Infantry	18 Sep	Kansas
Staff Sergeant Lloyd A Watson 37070959, Infantry	16 Sep	Kansas
Sergeant Bonaventure R Bernabei 32719983, Infantry	28 Jul	New York
Sergeant Raymond A Ellis 17049675, Field Artillery	19 Sep	Wisconsin
Sergeant Knux A Erickson 37002657, Signal Corps	16 Aug	Kansas
Sergeant Herman E Frazier 34360210, Infantry	16 Sep	Tennessee
Sergeant Woodrow W Marbut 14039506, Field Artillery	15 Sep	Alabama
Sergeant Lawrence McBrien 20726616, Infantry	20 Sep	Kansas
Sergeant Dennis Shepard 42001801, Infantry	16 Sep	New Jersey
Sergeant Harry S Smith 31319613, Infantry	17 Sep	Maine
Sergeant Lawrence O Tetrick 20725011, Infantry	19 Sep	Kansas
Technician Fourth Grade Farrell W Auman 34604012, Infantry	19 Sep	North Carolina
Technician Fourth Grade Harry T Barnes 13024005, Medical Department	19 Sep	Maryland
Corporal Stanley A Ciseman Jr 39325804, Coast Artillery Corps	20 Sep	Oregon
Corporal Jack Devlin 36523098, Field Artillery	10 Aug	Michigan
Corporal James L Johnson 34702268, Infantry	18 Sep	Alabama
Corporal Anthony Lengyel 36862150, Medical Department	18 Sep	Michigan
Corporal Jack W Ogden 20721719, Medical Department	21 Sep	Kansas
Corporal Ray H Rawlings 20725208, Infantry	19 Sep	Kansas
Corporal Lee J Wood 37533661, Infantry	17 Sep	Nebraska
Technician Fifth Grade Robert N Biederman 35623735, Medical Department	15 Jul	Ohio
Technician Fifth Grade Fred Burkhalter 14017749, Field Artillery	22 Sep	Georgia
Technician Fifth Grade Arthur W Helbock 32024385, Field Artillery	22 Sep	New York
Technician Fifth Grade Norman W Lawrence 34603772, Infantry	18 Sep	North Carolina
Technician Fifth Grade Daniel C Willis 34664323, Infantry	18 Sep	North Carolina
Private First Class Marion C Alexander 35880831, Infantry	18 Sep	Ohio
Private First Class Joseph A Augustynowicz 32488646, Infantry	23 Sep	Delaware
Private First Class Charles C Beales 37079379, Infantry	18 Sep	Kansas
Private First Class Meredith H Chambers 31129793, Ordnance Department	20 Sep	Massachusetts
Private First Class Emidio Coccato 32725245, Infantry	16 Sep	New York
Private First Class John F Cottrell 34678085, Infantry	18 Sep	North Carolina
Private First Class Erwin J Darling 36758067, Infantry	17 Aug	Illinois
Private First Class James B English 42035060, Field Artillery	9 Aug	New York
Private First Class Arnold A Feuerman 32797489, Corps of Engineers	21 Sep	New York
Private First Class Robert J Fishaw, 36561463, Infantry	18 Sep	Michigan
Private First Class Clarence F Graves 36679863, Infantry	14 Sep	Illinois
Private First Class Sherman L Jones 34343541, Field Artillery	22 Sep	Mississippi
Private First Class Harry R Hafner 37621610, Infantry	14 Sep	Missouri
Private First Class Cecil Harris 13066726, Infantry	16 Sep	Virginia
Private First Class Adrian N Hernandez 37474835, Infantry	19 Sep	Nebraska
Private First Class Allan L Kammerer 32810887, Infantry	19 Sep	New York
Private First Class Wesley J Kelly 39088523, Infantry	20 Sep	California
Private First Class Nick J Kovacevich 36559147, Infantry	14 Sep	Michigan
Private First Class Gust Kuyaras 36734766, Infantry	16 Sep	New York
Private First Class Wilford C Mitchell 15086841, Infantry	16 Sep	Kentucky
Private First Class Olep Owens 38447191, Infantry	19 Sep	Arkansas
Private First Class Arthur J Paul 39212125, Infantry	18 Sep	Washington
Private First Class Joseph A Pirc 36701376, Infantry	13 Sep	Illinois
Private First Class John J Reilly 32798574, Corps of Engineers	11 Sep	New York

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Private First Class Walter R Robinson 37370554, Infantry	17 Sep	Missouri
Private First Class John J Rompallo 33495356, Infantry	20 Sep	Pennsylvania
Private First Class Henry J Shellenberger 33514101, Infantry	18 Sep	Pennsylvania
Private First Class Ralph E Smith 20726444, Infantry	18 Sep	Kansas
Private First Class James J Schmerville 36560871, Infantry	16 Sep	Michigan
Private First Class Vincent C Stule 33076509, Infantry	21 Sep	Pennsylvania
Private First Class Charles Vomacka 32792444, Corps of Engineers	15 Sep	New York
Private First Class Herbert E Walls 33306846, Infantry	15 Sep	Pennsylvania
Private First Class Glen T Word 34040343, Infantry	2 Aug	Tennessee
Private First Class Marvin O Yeary 33650745, Infantry	10 Aug	Virginia
Private Cogswell C Boyd 42023840, Infantry	20 Sep	New York
Private Sennett W Culpepper 34637818, Infantry	21 Sep	Mississippi
Private William S Cutlip 35210854, Corps of Engineers	21 Sep	West Virginia
Private Therman R French 34792846, Infantry	12 Sep	Florida
Private Richard D Gerdes, 37547520, Infantry	16 Sep	North Dakota
Private Albert J Guin 31262105, Corps of Engineers	21 Sep	Massachusetts
Private Ellsworth C Granger 35227582, Medical Department	18 Sep	Indiana
Private Richard A Haffner 42064424, Infantry	20 Sep	New York
Private Walter J Hoffman 32199181, Infantry	2 Aug	New York
Private Cecil C Hopkins 19004940, Field Artillery	20 Sep	Oregon
Private William J Keim 33618269, Infantry	20 Sep	Pennsylvania
Private William C Koehler 37373508, Medical Department	22 Sep	Missouri
Private Ralph E Long 39342698, Infantry	21 Sep	Missouri
Private John A Lunski Jr 33612094, Medical Department	13 Sep	Pennsylvania
Private Edward B Markunas 36697944, Infantry	20 Sep	Illinois
Private Burr W Marshall 42090118, Infantry	18 Sep	New York
Private Robert W Medley 37674533, Infantry	20 Sep	Missouri
Private Joseph F Meredith 32793212, Corps of Engineers	13 Aug	New York
Private Joseph L Messina 36875937, Infantry	20 Sep	Michigan
Private Grady G Moffett 7008398, Infantry	19 Sep	Alabama
Private Robert F Palmer 35321153, Coast Artillery Corps	20 Sep	Ohio
Private Edmund G Penix 6957365, Infantry	20 Sep	Oklahoma
Private LeRoy L Poole 33872761, Infantry	20 Sep	Pennsylvania
Private Clayton Reed 35737333, Infantry	20 Sep	Kentucky
Private Robert H Reed 15071579, Infantry	20 Sep	Ohio
Private Charles E Rich 20733282, Field Artillery	12 Sep	Kansas
Private J C Richter 33711065, Infantry	21 Sep	Pennsylvania
Private Robert E Roden 33681861, Medical Department	20 Sep	Pennsylvania
Private Albert Schneider 32793647, Corps of Engineers	15 Sep	New York
Private Richard R Sechler 33763709, Infantry	17 Sep	Pennsylvania
Private Edward Stone 15044132, Corps of Engineers	16 Sep	Kentucky
Private Alacander W Swiatek 36713681, Infantry	20 Sep	Illinois
Private James E Tam 14031631, Field Artillery	22 Sep	Louisiana
Private J C Wallace 38599516, Infantry	17 Sep	Arkansas
Private Paul Zinza 32957073, Infantry	22 Sep	New Jersey

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