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I -- SILVER STAR. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Memorandum 21, Headquarters Fifteenth United States Army, 4 March 1945, a Silver Star is awarded to the following:

Technical Sergeant Samuel W McComb, 37070593 (then staff sergeant), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * * , Germany on 21 April 1945. When Sergeant McComb, an acting platoon leader, learned that a large number of German troops with several tanks were deployed in a nearby woods, he quickly organized and led a volunteer patrol. Sergeant McComb maneuvered his men so skillfully that the enemy troops were unable to offer effective resistance. The patrol succeeded in capturing 47 Germans, 5 vehicles and numerous automatic weapons. By his aggressive leadership, Sergeant McComb relieved a serious threat to the security of his unit's area. His actions reflect high credit upon his character and training as a noncommissioned officer. Entered military service from Kansas.

Sergeant Arthur W Reynolds, 35042510 (then private first class), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near * * * , France on 8 November 1944. When members of his squad, advancing against the enemy, were pinned down by machine gun fire, and the squad leader became a casualty, Sergeant Reynolds assumed command, deployed his men, then went forward alone, killed one German and captured two others. By his intrepid actions, Sergeant Reynolds silenced the enemy emplacement and enabled his unit to continue to advance to its objective. His heroic actions are in accord with military tradition. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Ottis Strother, 38495911, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the vicinity of * * * , Germany on 30 March 1945. When his squad was pinned down by cross-fire from enemy machine guns and an American tank was disabled and abandoned by its crew, Private Strother, a squad leader, disregarding personal safety, mounted the turret of the abandoned tank while the enemy hurled artillery, rocket and machine gun fire at him. Manning the .50 caliber machine gun, he neutralized two enemy machine guns, and covered the advance of his squad. Private Strother's indomitable courage, exemplary leadership and gallantry in action honor his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Louisiana.

II -- BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Memorandum 21, Headquarters Fifteenth United States Army, 4 March 1945, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following, now missing in action:

Staff Sergeant Earl W Smith, 36019893, 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 9 July 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

III -- BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Memorandum 21, Headquarters Fifteenth United States Army, 4 March 1945, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

Major Malcolm Kullmar, 0386335 (then captain), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in * * * , France on 27 September 1944. Overcoming fierce enemy resistance after a two-hour fire fight, Major Kullmar led his company to its objective, then personally supervised the construction of defensive positions

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while exposed to intense enemy fire. Upon learning that strong enemy forces with supporting armor were approaching on his left rear, Major Kullnar, exhibiting sound tactical judgment, superb leadership and indomitable courage, directed a withdrawal of his troops, under harassing small arms fire from enemy patrols, to positions where contact was re-established with friendly units and defenses were set up, making it possible to repel several fierce enemy counterattacks. Major Kullnar's heroic action reflects credit upon his character as an officer. Entered military service from Maryland.

Captain Dwight D Bonham, 0379437, 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 8 November 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Captain Chauncey M Erickson, 01310995, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, and Germany from 13 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Captain Charles W Harris, 01109978, 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 23 September 1944 to 25 April 1945. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Captain Edsel F Hart, 0466801, 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 7 July 1944 to 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain Paul H Heil, 01284510, 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 Ohio.

Captain Robert O Holmes, 0513216, Medical 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 7 July 1944 to 9 May 1945. Entered military service from California.

Captain Paul C Jenks, 01704821, Medical Corps, 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 9 January to 3 May 1945. Entered military service from Vermont.

Captain Robert W Johnston, 0422632, Corps of Engineers, 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 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Utah.

Captain Robert I Kaplan, 0369557, Dental 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 11 July 1944 to 24 April 1945. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Captain Barnaby C Keeney, 01041809, Coast Artillery 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 13 December 1944 to 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Captain John A Lloyd, 01101555, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Holland and Germany from 9 February to 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain Gordon J Mines, 01576394, Ordnance 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 10 July 1944 to 21 April 1945. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

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Captain Gene L Mitcham, 0366640, Field Artillery, 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 8 November 1944 to 3 May 1945. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

First Lieutenant Kenneth L Apel, 0461231, 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 10 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

First Lieutenant Richard A Brayton, 01170663, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France from 7 July to 24 November 1944. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

First Lieutenant Frank G Campbell, 01549442, Ordnance 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 10 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Missouri.

First Lieutenant William W Dodge, 01313870, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 6 January to 6 May 1945. Entered military service from Missouri.

First Lieutenant Herbert Freedman, 0887527, Medical Administrative 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 10 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

First Lieutenant Arthur F Getz, 0474781, 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 15 July 1944 to 2 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant Bernard J Grachek, 01999976, 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 Ohio.

First Lieutenant Charles D Hall, 01323925, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany from 15 July 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from North Carolina.

First Lieutenant Edward R Harris, 01180204, 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 7 July 1944 to 2 May 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant Arthur Horwitz, 0887528, Medical Administrative 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 11 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois

First Lieutenant Harold J Imler, 01290757, 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 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant John W Keith, 01297380, 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 9 July 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

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First Lieutenant Charles D Meckes, 01557754, Corps of Engineers, 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 23 September 1944 to 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Lieutenant Gus Miller, 01328281, 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 22 January to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Louisiana.

First Lieutenant Caryl H Oskoa, 01302510, 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 9 May 1945. Entered military service from California.

First Lieutenant Eldephons C Reischel, 01306147, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Belgium and Germany from 15 July 1944 to 23 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant Orrin J Richards Jr, 01643272, Signal 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 August 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

First Lieutenant Warren H Wilson, 01301070, 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 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

Second Lieutenant Melvin J Couch, 02000028, 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 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Second Lieutenant Henry M McGrane, 02008070, Army of the United States, 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 May 1945. Entered military service from New York.

Chief Warrant Officer Kenneth W Anderson, W2111991, 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 Nebraska.

Chief Warrant Officer Albert C Owings Jr, W2112200, 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.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade Theodore L Harvey, W2112136, 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 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade Orval E Morin, W2112000, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany from 15 July 1944 to 2 May 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Master Sergeant Lee B Brown, 34290420, 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 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Louisiana.

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Master Sergeant Norman Mario, 20720368, Signal 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 12 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

First Sergeant Paul A Fuhr, 20734220, 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 6 August 1944 to 2 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

First Sergeant John W Real, 37036460, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Luxembourg, Belgium and Germany from 9 December 1944 to 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Technical Sergeant Lawrence A Arnoldy, 37002454, Cavalry, 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 10 July 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technical Sergeant James F Aylward Jr, 20738720, 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.

Technical Sergeant Harold D Bergquist, 20737951, 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 10 July 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Technical Sergeant Frederick D Clark, 35160699, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of * * *, Belgium on 2 January 1945. When his heavy machine gun section, supporting an infantry attack, was subjected to an enemy counterattack, Sergeant Clark remained at his post, firing his weapon until it jammed. He then withdrew and consolidated the position of his section with the rifle company. Accompanied by two companions, Sergeant Clark then went forward under fire to retrieve equipment which had been left in the forward position. His courageous actions under fire are in accord with military tradition. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technical Sergeant James H Coppage Jr, 37394723, 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 Missouri.

Technical Sergeant Wesley R Fenske, 37070640, 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 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technical Sergeant Albert C Garcia Jr, 36258351 (then staff sergeant), 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 9 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant Thomas F Hirons, 37001877, Signal 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 1 September 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technical Sergeant John W Johnston, 6950499, 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 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

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Technical Sergeant Jesse H Martinez, 38540115 (then staff sergeant), 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. Although himself slightly wounded, Sergeant Martinez, a squad leader, went forward in the face of enemy fire to administer first aid to a seriously wounded comrade, then carried him to the aid station. His bravery and selfless devotion to a wounded man honor Sergeant Martinez' character as a soldier. Entered military service from Texas.

Technical Sergeant Leonard J Mueller, 20720119, 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.

Technical Sergeant Earnest M Nelson, 20720605, 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.

Technical Sergeant Charles G Seetin, 20725835 (then staff sergeant), 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 Kansas.

Technical Sergeant Joseph P Tolli, 31049388, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Germany from 27 April to 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Technical Sergeant Sam M Unger, 32195308, 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 15 September 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant Joe L Vance, 20723206, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany from 15 July 1944 to 23 April 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Technical Sergeant Millington K Wilson, 36063570, 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 9 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Raymond C Barnett, 38438246, 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 Texas.

Staff Sergeant Harvey L Bennett, 20739157, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Holland and Germany from 15 February to 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant Arthur G Boyer, 35298215, 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 assault elements of tank-riding infantrymen were halted by heavy fire emanating from enemy positions near a mine, the lead tank knocked out and the entire column subjected to heavy shellfire, Sergeant Boyer, a squad leader, promptly moved to the head of the column and adjusted mortar and artillery fire upon the enemy positions. By his courage, quick-thinking, and accurate fire direction, Sergeant Boyer contributed immeasurably to the ultimate success of his unit in taking their objective. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant James Broese, 37005327, 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 7 July 1944 to 27 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

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Staff Sergeant Maurice R Cates, 20724082, 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 10 July 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant Roy L Cawood, 34505398, 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 9 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant Charles W Davis, 38073193, 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 Texas.

Staff Sergeant George E Delp, 37001987, 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 April 1945. When cables, torn down by enemy shellfire, became entangled in wheels of vehicles proceeding along a main supply route, causing a traffic jam, Sergeant Delp and a companion coolly cleared the wire from the road. Despite the fact that this area was under enemy fire, Sergeant Delp and his companion worked without thought of personal safety, administered first aid to several wounded men and arranged for their evacuation, directed traffic through the partially blocked street, and cleared the road of several burning vehicles loaded with ammunition. Sergeant Delp's outstanding performance of this hazardous task is in accord with military tradition. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant Gilbert C Dial, 36634741 (then private first class), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of * * *, Belgium on 3 January 1945. Sergeant Dial, an ammunition handler, voluntarily assisted a forward observer in directing fire against enemy guns. When the forward observer became a casualty, Sergeant Dial heroically continued to direct fire against the enemy by crawling from the exposed observation post to the radio to transmit fire orders, then back to the observation post for further observation. When his radio was destroyed by mortar fire, he made his way to the rear then returned with another radio and continued his hazardous mission. His actions are in accord with military tradition. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant John J Dilske, 35046555, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany from 11 July 1944 to 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Claude A Eikes, 39385297, 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 11 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Washington.

Staff Sergeant Virgil A Foster, 20738995, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium and Germany from 10 December 1944 to 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant Matthew C Gaffney, 37002603, Cavalry, 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 10 July 1944 to 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant Andrew G Herndon, 38480465, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * *, Germany on 23 April 1945. During an attack in which enemy troops succeeded in crossing the * * * River and presented a serious threat to the defense line of Company K, Sergeant Herndon, a squad leader, with each new development of the enemy threat, continually moved among his squad, effectively directing fire, and exposing himself to the direct fire of the enemy in order to gain the maximum fire power from his men. Sergeant Herndon's calm manner and efficient leadership inspired confidence in his men, resulting in a successful defense of the area. His intrepid actions and personal bravery reflect credit upon his character and training as a soldier. Entered military service from Texas.

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Staff Sergeant William F Johnson, 35806497, 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 20 December 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Clarence T Kemper, 39303862, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of * * * , Belgium on 3 January 1945. When his heavy machine gun section supporting an infantry attack, was subjected to an enemy counterattack, Sergeant Kemper remained at his post, firing his weapon until it jammed. He then withdrew and consolidated the position of his section with the rifle company. Accompanied by two companions, Sergeant Kemper then went forward under fire to retrieve equipment which had been left in the forward position. His courageous actions under fire are in accord with military tradition. Entered military service from Oregon.

Staff Sergeant Russel A Kurpf, 32487619, 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 9 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant Bernard R Kunze, 37002734, Signal 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 August 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant Kenneth C Lawrence, 38446723, 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 Arkansas.

Staff Sergeant Delbert D Lytle, 35801844, 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 Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Francis T McNamara, 32878678, 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 August 1944 to 3 May 1945. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant Frank J Oboza, 35393938, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium and Germany from 23 July 1944 to 3 May 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Edward W Ostapczuk, 32065197, 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 9 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant Richard F Shelton, 39229236, 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 15 January to 9 May 1945. Entered military service from California.

Staff Sergeant Paul D Stallings, 34504645, 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 Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant Rual Tarter, 36561665, 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 9 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Staff Sergeant Walter Visovatti, 36561273, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enery of the United States in Holland and Germany from 12 February to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Third Grade Theodore J Matter Jr, 37070340, 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.

Technician Third Grade Abel D Pinto, 32912344, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enery 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.

Sergeant Armin A Becker, 37284222, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enery of the United States near * * * , Germany from 27 April to 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Sergeant John H Benne, 37033876, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enery of the United States in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 10 July 1944 to 28 April 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Sergeant Paul S Felemonski, 20725577, 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 5 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Sergeant Amos W Fieldgrove, 37034337, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enery of the United States in the vicinity of * * * , Germany on 9 April 1945. When cables, torn down by enemy shellfire, became entangled in wheels of vehicles proceeding along a main supply route, causing a traffic jam, Sergeant Fieldgrove and a companion coolly cleared the wire from the road. Despite the fact that this area was under enemy fire, Sergeant Fieldgrove and his companion worked without thought of personal safety, administered first aid to several wounded men and arranged for their evacuation, directed traffic through the partially blocked street, and cleared the road of several burning vehicles loaded with ammunition. Sergeant Fieldgrove's outstanding performance of this hazardous task is in accord with military tradition. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Sergeant Bobby J Hunt, 37515559, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 12 December 1944. Sergeant Hunt, a communications sergeant, accompanied his platoon leader on a reconnaissance mission across the * * * River, continued on his mission despite concentrations of fire which mortally wounded his companion, then returned to his unit and led the troops across the river and into the positions he had reconnoitered. Sergeant Hunt's outstanding performance was an important factor in the holding of the newly established bridgehead across the * * * River. Entered military service from Missouri.

Sergeant John J Joura, 32783023, 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 * * * , Germany on 1 April 1945. Despite intense fire from enemy guns in fixed defensive positions, Sergeant Joura, a construction foreman, led and directed a squad in neutralizing mines, clearing mine fields and removing road blocks in the path of advancing infantrymen. His coolness, aggressive leadership, and sound judgment in the performance of hazardous duties contributed immeasurably to the success of operations in this area. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant Tony A Kolczynski, 42140930, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enery of the United States in Germany from 10 March to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

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Sergeant George W Miller, 37455076, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 21 April 1945. When it was learned that a large number of German troops with several tanks were deployed in a nearby woods, Sergeant Miller volunteered as a member of a patrol to search out and destroy the enemy. The patrol maneuvered through the woods, located and surrounded the enemy force, and after a short fire fight succeeded in capturing 47 Germans, 5 vehicles and numerous automatic weapons. The courageous actions of Sergeant Miller reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Wyoming.

Sergeant Edwin J Pol, 42025374, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium and Germany from 1 November 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant Pete Sehika, 35597425, 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 Ohio.

Sergeant Edward J Theis, 17050247, 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 8 July 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Sergeant James A Waszak, 36807577, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 21 April 1945. When it was learned that a large number of German troops with several tanks were deployed in a nearby woods, Sergeant Waszak volunteered as a member of a patrol to search out and destroy the enemy. The patrol maneuvered through the woods, located and surrounded the enemy force, and after a short fire fight succeeded in capturing 47 Germans, 5 vehicles and numerous automatic weapons. The courageous actions of Sergeant Waszak reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade Elmer F Wilson, 39230328, 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 7 July 1944 to 27 April 1945. Entered military service from California.

Technician Fourth Grade William W Hopps, 36163854, Finance 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 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal Enrique V Botello, 18060743, Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at * * * , Germany on 23 April 1945. While serving as a forward observer, Corporal Botello exposed himself to enemy fire in order to observe from a vantage point in a house well to the front. Although this house received several hits from 20mm shells, Corporal Botello remained at his post and directed artillery fire which completely disorganized an enemy counterattacking force attempting to advance across the * * * River. His courageous actions and accurate fire direction reflect credit upon Corporal Botello's character as a soldier. Entered military service from Texas.

Corporal Charles D Garcia, 18068560, 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 7 July 1944 to 2 May 1945. Entered military service from New Mexico.

Corporal Harold D Hymas, 39681466, 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 9 July 1944 to 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Idaho.

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Corporal Neal J Monacelli, 36890735, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of * * * , Belgium on 2 January 1945. When his heavy machine gun section was forced to withdraw during an enemy counterattack, Corporal Monacelli remained at his post and continued firing until his weapon jammed. After arriving at his company's reconsolidated position, he again voluntarily went forward to retrieve equipment and ammunition which had been left in the emplacements. Corporal Monacelli's courage, bravery and disregard for personal safety under heavy enemy fire reflect credit upon his character and training as a soldier. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal Steve H Proctor, 34646135, 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 7 July 1944 to 2 May 1945. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Corporal Lee F Silvester, 37034416, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , France on 19 September 1944. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Corporal Oscar J Slife, 20734837, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany from 10 July 1944 to 3 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Corporal Chester F Stecker, 36260338, 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 7 July 1944 to 2 May 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade Charles L Cubbage, 33538686, 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 December 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade Charley E Emmons, 36030051, 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 9 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade Ray E Labertew, 37343765, Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at * * * , Germany on 23 April 1945. While serving as radio operator at a forward observation post, Corporal Labertew was the first to notice a group of Germans forming for a counterattack. With utter disregard for personal safety, Corporal Labertew maintained radio communications although exposed to enemy tank and 20mm fire, thereby enabling artillery fire to be placed upon the enemy formations. His courageous performance of duty contributed to the thwarting of the enemy attack. Entered military service from Colorado.

Technician Fifth Grade Harold W Lynn, 20720917, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Germany, Belgium, Luxembourg and Holland from 11 July 1944 to 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technician Fifth Grade Raymond E Nevala, 36121208, 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 6 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

Technician Fifth Grade John R Ostrowski, 35529850, 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 9 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

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Technician Fifth Grade Eugene Z Wade, 20725134, 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 9 January to 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technician Fifth Grade Ralph J Wittler, 35541928, 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 Ohio.

Private First Class Ralph C Bloom, 37567626, 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 Minnesota.

Private First Class Charles C Colt Jr, 12183573, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 21 April 1945. When it was learned that a large number of German troops with several tanks were deployed in a nearby woods, Private Colt volunteered as a member of a patrol to search out and destroy the enemy. The patrol maneuvered through the woods, located and surrounded the enemy force, and after a short fire fight succeeded in capturing 47 Germans, 5 vehicles and numerous automatic weapons. The courageous actions of Private Colt reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Willard E Geil, 35843098, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 21 April 1945. When it was learned that a large number of German troops with several tanks were deployed in a nearby woods, Private Geil volunteered as a member of a patrol to search out and destroy the enemy. The patrol maneuvered through the woods, located and surrounded the enemy force, and after a short fire fight succeeded in capturing 47 Germans, 5 vehicles and numerous automatic weapons. The courageous actions of Private Geil reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class John D Kvech, 37034797, 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 9 July 1944 to 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Private First Class James M Pappenhagen, 15399668, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 21 April 1945. When it was learned that a large number of German troops with several tanks were deployed in a nearby woods, Private Pappenhagen volunteered as a member of a patrol to search out and destroy the enemy. The patrol maneuvered through the woods, located and surrounded the enemy force, and after a short fire fight succeeded in capturing 47 Germans, 5 vehicles and numerous automatic weapons. The courageous actions of Private Pappenhagen reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class John Perrick, 33606646, 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 27 April 1945. When his company was pinned down by enemy rifle and bazooka fire while attacking across the * * * River, Private Perrick maneuvered to a position from which he attacked and neutralized the enemy bazooka team. His bravery and disregard for personal safety under heavy enemy fire contributed immeasurably to the success of his unit's operations and reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Marcel E Quick, 20724195, 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 9 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

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Private First Class Robert L Rombach, 38470603, 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 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class Bart W Rush, 37144578, 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 9 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

Private First Class Jacob Schultz, 42035081, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxenbourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 9 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class William E Stringfellow, 34966558, 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 25 December 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class Edward O Taylor, 34684763, Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 22 April 1945. When an officer whom he was driving was wounded by enemy machine gun fire and his vehicle overturned and set afire by enemy rocket fire, Private Taylor dragged the wounded officer to a sheltered position, armed himself with the officer's pistol, and held off the enemy until rescued by a motor patrol. Private Taylor's courageous actions and coolness under fire reflect credit upon his character and training as a soldier. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class Manuel B Ybarra, 38578084, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxenbourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 15 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from New Mexico.

Private Milburn F G Bailey, 38682419, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 21 April 1945. When it was learned that a large number of German troops with several tanks were deployed in a nearby woods, Private Bailey volunteered as a member of a patrol to search out and destroy the enemy. The patrol maneuvered through the woods, located and surrounded the enemy force, and after a short fire fight succeeded in capturing 47 Germans, 5 vehicles and numerous automatic weapons. The courageous actions of Private Bailey reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Texas.

IV -- BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Memorandum 21, Headquarters Fifteenth United States Army, 4 March 1945, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

Major Walker H Smith, 01290678, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Germany, Luxembourg, Belgium and Holland from 2 October 1944 to 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Mississippi.

First Lieutenant Henry O Tietjens, 01325606, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Luxenbourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany from 21 November 1944 to 29 April 1945. Entered military service from Missouri.

Sergeant Frank S Ciesielski, 36956544, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 21 April 1945. When it was learned that a large number of German troops with several tanks were deployed in a nearby woods, Sergeant Ciesielski volunteered as a member of a patrol to search out and destroy the enemy. The patrol maneuvered through the woods, located and surrounded the

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enemy, and after a short fire fight succeeded in capturing 47 Germans, 5 vehicles and numerous automatic weapons. The courageous actions of Sergeant Ciesielski honor his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant Benjamin Friedman, 32820530, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 21 April 1945. When it was learned that a large number of German troops with several tanks were deployed in a nearby woods, Sergeant Friedman volunteered as a member of a patrol to search out and destroy the enemy. The patrol maneuvered through the woods, located and surrounded the enemy, and after a short fire fight succeeded in capturing 47 Germans, 5 vehicles and numerous automatic weapons. The courageous actions of Sergeant Friedman honor his character as a soldier. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Charles L Molisee, 33275892, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near * * * , Germany on 21 April 1945. When it was learned that a large number of German troops with several tanks were deployed in a nearby woods, Private Molisee volunteered as a member of a patrol to search out and destroy the enemy. The patrol maneuvered through the woods, located and surrounded the enemy, and after a short fire fight succeeded in capturing 47 Germans, 5 vehicles and numerous automatic weapons. The courageous actions of Private Molisee honor his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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