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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:

Major Merle R Carroll, O380135, (then captain), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the \* \* \* and \* \* \* Sectors, Normandy, France, 2 August 1944. When Major Carroll proceeded forward to coordinate the action of the leading elements of the battalion, he discovered one of the rifle companies in a hazardous condition, due to exceptionally heavy enemy action which precipitated a disorganization of the unit and rendered casualties the company commander and executive officer. Major Carroll assumed command, restored order, regained control, and led the company in a successful attack immediately thereafter. The actions of Major Carroll in this critical situation in turning disorder into achievement, reflect credit upon his qualities of leadership and are in accord with high military traditions. Entered military service from Illinois.

II -- SOLDIER'S 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 Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following:

First Lieutenant David C Butler, O1293544, Infantry, United States Army, for heroism at \* \* \* Germany, 25 February 1945. In the icy rain of a dark night, Lieutenant Butler led his platoon on a security mission in the vicinity of a river soon to be bridged by engineers. When a member of the platoon fell into the frigid stream, its swift current closed over and began to carry away the helpless, struggling victim. Without hesitation, Lieutenant Butler plunged into the freezing water and at the risk of his life, brought the drowning man to safety, where he resuscitated the man by artificial respiration. Lieutenant Butler's selfless deed, founded on personal courage and devotion to a fellow-in-arms, is a tribute to his character as an officer. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class Richard G Avey Jr, 36468844, Infantry, United States Army, for heroism near \* \* \*, Germany on 21 June 1945. While swimming in the \* \* \* River a technical sergeant of Private Avey's company was stricken with cramps near the middle of the stream and was being swept downstream by the swift current. Private Avey, together with another enlisted man, plunged into the water with utter disregard for his personal safety to assist the drowning man. After a bitter struggle with the strong current of the river, Private Avey pulled the drowning man from the river and administered artificial respiration. This soldier's heroic actions at the risk of his own life were responsible for the saving of a comrade's life and were in accordance with high military traditions. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class Robert R Mills, 35849027, Infantry, United States Army, for heroism near \* \* \*, Germany on 21 June 1945. While swimming in the \* \* \* River a technical sergeant of Private Mills' company was stricken with cramps near the middle of the stream and was being swept downstream by the swift current. Private Mills, together with another enlisted man, plunged into the water with utter disregard for his personal safety to assist the drowning man. After a bitter struggle with the strong current of the river, Private Mills pulled the drowning man from th

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river and administered artificial respiration. This soldier's heroic actions at the risk of his own life were responsible for the saving of a comrade's life and were in accordance with high military traditions. Entered military service from Ohio.

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, posthumously, to the following:

Private Howard R Day, 35836983, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, in \* \* \*, Germany, 16 December 1944. When his unit, which was engaged in securing and clearing a block of houses in the town of \* \* \*, Germany, was pinned to position by enemy machine gun fire, Private Day voluntarily moved forward to a vantage point and effectively silenced the enemy weapon. Private Day's courageous action enabled his company to continue on its mission. He was killed in action the following day. Entered military service from Ohio.

IV -- 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 Merle R Carroll, 0380135, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium from 11 September 1944 to 23 February 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Dale M Ponce, 15080910, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of \* \* \*, France, 10 November 1944. Because of the unavailability of communications with which to establish contact with the lead platoon of Company I, \* \* \* Infantry, when that unit was suddenly subjected to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, this soldier, company runner, volunteered to make his way through the hazardous area to reach his objective. With disregard for personal safety and determination to complete his mission, he continued forward until he was struck by enemy shell fragments which blew off his left foot. The courage, tenacity of purpose and devotion to duty on the part of Private Ponce, reflect credit upon his character as a soldier. Entered military service from Indiana.

V -- PURPLE HEART. 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 Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy on dates indicated:

<u>RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH</u>	<u>DATE WOUNDED</u>	<u>ENTERED MILITARY SERVICE FROM</u>
First Lieutenant William B Hamilton 01314470, Infantry	14 Nov 44	Michigan
First Lieutenant James M MacLennan 01312180, Infantry	12 Dec 44	New Jersey
First Lieutenant Kenneth J Redig 0515033, Infantry	13 Nov 44	Ohio
First Lieutenant Eugene A Schmitz 0887610, Infantry	2 Aug 44	Nebraska
Staff Sergeant Florenzo H Anticoli 32289884, Infantry	2 Jan 45	New York
Private First Class William E Bergmark 36971978, Infantry	18 Apr 45	Illinois
Private First Class Edward D Brown Jr 42177938, Infantry	30 Mar 45	New York
Private First Class Charles W Burr 33680906, Infantry	14 Jan 45	Pennsylvania
Private First Class Jack E Davés 34831157, Infantry	14 Sep 44	Georgia
Private First Class John E Flynn 38071527, Infantry	15 Jul 44	Arizona
Private First Class William G Gallien 31461609, Infantry	22 Nov 44	New Hampshire
Private First Class Harley H Huffman 38698284, Infantry	9 Jan 45	Oklahoma
Private First Class George W Lummus 34836326, Infantry	27 Jan 45	Georgia
Private First Class Harland E Pauley 36989063, Infantry	12 Jan 45	Wisconsin
Private First Class Stanley A Soule 36470189, Infantry	12 Apr 45	Michigan
Private Wallace L Craig 39472754, Infantry	9 Jan 45	California
Private Robert J McDermott 33606091, Infantry	11 Jan 45	Pennsylvania
Private Carmine A Stabile 42127185, Infantry	10 Nov 44	New York
Private David C Carter 37741617, Infantry	21 Nov 44	Kansas

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VI -- PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). 1. 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 Purple Heart previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy on dates indicated:

<u>RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH</u>	<u>DATE WOUNDED</u>	<u>ENTERED MILITARY SERVICE FROM</u>
Captain Joseph Brigandi 0540530, Infantry	17 Jan 45	New York
First Lieutenant Eugene A. Schmitz 0387610, Infantry	4 Dec 44	Nebraska
Sergeant Robert W Pedigo 17119720, Infantry	17 Nov 44	Kansas
Private First Class Edward D Brown Jr 42177938, Infantry	12 Apr 45	New York
Private First Class Harry J Redd 34526702, Infantry	15 Jul 44	Tennessee
Private First Class Stanley Szczepaniak 36326279, Medical Department	18 Mar 45	Illinois
Private David C Cartor 37741617, Infantry	29 Dec 44	Kansas

2. 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 Purple Heart previously awarded, a second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy on dates indicated:

<u>RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH</u>	<u>DATE WOUNDED</u>	<u>ENTERED MILITARY SERVICE FROM</u>
Private First Class Clyde G Clampitt 38686563, Infantry	9 Apr 45	Texas

VII -- SILVER STAR MEDAL. So much of Section I, General Orders, Number 56, Headquarters 35th Infantry Division, 12 December 1944, pertaining to Sergeant Lauric J Griffin, 34663395, Infantry, as reads "for gallantry in action in the Forest of \* \* \*, France on 11 November 1944" is amended to read "for gallantry in action in the Forest of \* \* \*, France on 15 November 1944".

VIII -- BRONZE STAR MEDAL.-- So much of Section III, General Orders, Number 50, Headquarters 35th Infantry Division, 9 July 1945 as reads "Lieutenant Colonel Kenneth W Reed, 0341038, Field Artillery, United States Army" is amended to read "Lieutenant Colonel Kenneth H Reed, 0341038, Field Artillery, United States Army".

IX -- BRONZE STAR MEDAL. So much of Section III, General Orders, Number 22, Headquarters 35th Infantry Division, 20 August 1944, as pertains to Captain Merle R Carroll, 0380135, Infantry, is rescinded (see sec I).

X -- BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). So much of Section VI General Orders, Number 24, Headquarters 35th Infantry Division, 3 April 1945, as pertains to Major Merle R Carroll, 0380135, Infantry, is rescinded (see sec IV).

XI -- PURPLE HEART. So much of Section VIII, General Orders, Number 54, Headquarters 35th Infantry Division, 30 November 1944, as pertains to Sergeant Robert W Pedigo, 17119720, Infantry, is rescinded (see sec VI).

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XII -- BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). 1. 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:

Lieutenant Colonel Richard G Chadwick, 0245002, Adjutant General's Department, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany, 1 October 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Lieutenant Colonel Benjamin H Oliver, Jr., 0398775, Signal Corps, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland and Germany, 13 August 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from New York.

2. 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 second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

Lieutenant Colonel George L Schneider, 0322336, 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, 11 July 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from New York.

XIII -- PURPLE HEART. 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 Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy on dates indicated:

<u>RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH</u>	<u>DATE WOUNDED</u>	<u>ENTERED MILITARY SERVICE FROM</u>
Sergeant James E Stewart 36870157, Infantry	8 Nov 44	Michigan
Corporal Robert E Ciriello 31420307, Field Artillery	20 Apr 45	Massachusetts
Private First Class William W Best 36551680, Infantry	25 Jun 45	Michigan
Private First Class Clyde G Clampit 38686563, Infantry	21 Nov 44	Texas
Private First Class Walter F Riley 31410733, Infantry	23 Nov 44	Connecticut
Private First Class George Snorck, Jr. 15316959, Infantry	30 Dec 44	West Virginia
Private First Class Kenneth J VanEtten 42110994, Infantry	25 Jun 45	New York
Private First Class Stanley H Wilson 37025480, Infantry	12 Jan 45	Minnesota
Private First Class Harold E Witt 35670568, Infantry	10 Jan 45	Kentucky
Private First Class John J Zaffuto 32216531, Infantry	19 Jul 44	New York

XIV -- PURPLE HEART (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 Purple Heart previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy on dates indicated:

<u>RANK, NAME, ASN, AND BRANCH</u>	<u>DATE WOUNDED</u>	<u>ENTERED MILITARY SERVICE FROM</u>
First Lieutenant Bernard J Grachek 01999976, Infantry	17 Dec 44	Ohio
Communication Fifth Grade Harry J Martin 33454408, Infantry	1 Mar 45	Virginia

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