

SECTION VIII - Officers and men who have distinguished themselves in action:

- a. Merzig, Luxembourg.
 - b. Elwood C. Dukeman, Jr., 33 806 961, Staff Sergeant, Infantry.
 - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 23 December 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 23 December 1944 while attacking Merzig, Luxembourg, S Sgt Dukeman, a squad leader in the leading platoon, observed that the adjacent squad was delayed by heavy enemy machine gun fire. Quickly analyzing the situation he maneuvered his squad so that, under cover of its fire, the other squad could withdraw. S Sgt Dukeman, with another man, repeatedly exposed himself to enemy weapons by running to and evacuating the wounded men who remained exposed to the hostile fire. S Sgt Dukeman's courage, leadership, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. Dahl, Luxembourg.
 - b. Edward W. Ebert, 37 553 139, Private First Class, Infantry.
 - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 9 January 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During a counterattack near Dahl, Luxembourg, Pfc Ebert, an ammunition rifleman, observed three enemy soldiers attempting to infiltrate the American lines. When he attempted to fire he found his weapon had frozen, but, disregarding the handicap, he personally assaulted the enemy and captured them. Pfc Ebert's courage prevented the enemy from establishing a breach in the defense and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Minnesota.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. France.
 - b. Grier H. Elgin, 6 864 386, Private First Class, Infantry.
 - c. For heroic service in France during the period 9-13 October 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the action at Bois de Haut des Trappes, France, during the above period Pfc Elgin constantly volunteered and repaired frequent breaks in the vital lines of communication despite the hazards of enemy artillery fire. On one occasion, during this period, Pfc Elgin, with utter disregard for his own safety, proceeded alone to repair important wire lines, and, although exposed for several hours to barrages, he succeeded in his mission. The bravery, initiative, and devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Elgin exemplify the highest ideals of the armed forces of the United States.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. Ringel, Luxembourg.
 - b. Stanley W. Godish, 33 774 567, Sergeant, Infantry.
 - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 29 December 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 29 December 1944 when a persistent enemy force succeeded in surrounding the squad of which Sgt Godish was assistant squad leader, he volunteered to infiltrate a group through the enemy to reach the adjacent platoon. By aggressive action he succeeded in his mission and with the platoon led his men to inflict heavy casualties on the enemy and relieve his embattled fellow soldiers. Sgt Godish's courage, aggressiveness, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.

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 - b. Rufus L. Autry, Jr., 20 403 316, Technical Sergeant, Infantry.
 - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 22 December 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack on Merzig, Luxembourg, on 22 December 1944, T Sgt Autry, Weapons Platoon Sergeant, was actively engaged in directing the fire of his mortar section. As the attack progressed, one rifle platoon was temporarily halted by machine gun counter-fire. Realizing the gravity of the situation, T Sgt Autry located the enemy positions and personally acting as mortar gunner he brought such effective fire to bear on the enemy that they were completely routed. He then deployed his section so as to deny all escape routes and over two hundred of the enemy were later forced to surrender. The aggressive leadership, initiative, and constant devotion to duty displayed by T Sgt Autry are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Georgia.
 - d. The Bronze Star Oak Leaf Cluster.
- a. Bois des Haut des Trappes, France.
 - b. John W. Askew, 33 247 633, Private First Class, Infantry.
 - c. For heroic achievement in France on 10 October 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While serving as driver of a one quarter ton truck on 10 October 1944, Pfc Askew voluntarily evacuated several wounded soldiers during heavy enemy action at Bois de Haut des Trappes, France. With utter disregard for his own safety Pfc Askew proceeded through a barrage of Germany artillery fire and successfully removed his comrades from the zone of danger. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Askew exemplify the highest ideals of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. Nocher, Luxembourg.
 - b. James H. Bridges, 34 609 952, Sergeant, Infantry.
 - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 18 January 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 18 January 1945 during the assault against Nocher, Luxembourg, Sgt Bridges advanced cautiously through heavy enemy small arms and mortar fire. On hearing a wounded soldier pleading for assistance, Sgt Bridges moved into the face of severe small arms fire and with utter disregard for his own safety, worked his way to the injured man and after carrying him to a foxhole, administered first aid. Sgt Bridges' courage and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from South Carolina.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. Merzig, Luxembourg.
 - b. Wiley F. Duke, 38 651 186, Sergeant, Infantry.
 - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 23 December 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 23 December 1944 while attacking Merzig, Luxembourg, Sgt Duke, an assistant squad leader, observed that the wounded men of a squad which had temporarily withdrawn were lying subjected to enemy fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, Sgt Duke and a companion ran into the exposed field to carry the men to safety. Sgt Duke's courage, initiative and devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.

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- a. France and Luxembourg.
 - b. Everett Gifford, 35 460 573, Corporal, Infantry.
 - c. For meritorious service in France and Luxembourg during the period 25 August 1944 to 19 February 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. France, Luxembourg and Germany.
 - b. Rudolph Kalous, 36 041 832, Technical Sergeant, Infantry.
 - c. For meritorious service in France, Luxembourg and Germany during the period 6 August 1944 to 24 February 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. France and Luxembourg.
 - b. John W. Kopiczyk, 25 313 274, Staff Sergeant, Infantry.
 - c. For meritorious service in France and Luxembourg during the period 7 August 1944 to 18 February 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. France and Luxembourg.
 - b. James M. Morgan, 35 463 100, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment.
 - c. For meritorious service in France and Luxembourg during the period from 6 August 1944 to 31 January 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. France and Luxembourg.
 - b. Linwood C. Robinson, 33 127 411, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry.
 - c. For meritorious service in France and Luxembourg during the period 7 August 1944 to 31 January 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Virginia.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. France and Luxembourg.
 - b. James V. Smith, 34 107 603, Sergeant, Infantry.
 - c. For meritorious service in France and Luxembourg during the period 7 August to 31 December 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Alabama.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. Heiderscheid, Luxembourg.
 - b. LEWIS T. KALIL, 01 304 739, Captain, Infantry.
 - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 24 December 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 24 December 1944, during an enemy counterattack against Heiderscheid, Luxembourg, Lt Kalil, after organizing the headquarters personnel of two companies into defensive units, personally manned a .50 caliber machine gun and effectively fired into the advancing enemy. Lt Kalil's aggressiveness and leadership were directly responsible for the rout of the enemy, and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Connecticut.
 - d. The Bronze Star Oak Leaf Cluster.

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- a. Boustroff, France.
- b. Harry W. Heiberger, 33 273 113, Private First Class, Medical Detachment.
- c. For heroic achievement in France on 16 November 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 16 November 1944, word was received at the battalion aid station that two soldiers in Boustroff, France, had been seriously wounded and that their evacuation was imperative. Pfc Heiberger and three companions voluntarily drove their litter equipped vehicle through intense mortar and artillery fire into the heavily contested town and successfully evacuated the wounded soldiers. Pfc Heiberger's courage, bravery, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.
- d. The Bronze Star Medal.

- a. France and Luxembourg.
- b. James C. Colton, 33 282 620, Technical Sergeant, Infantry.
- c. For meritorious service in France and Luxembourg during the period 7 August 1944 to 31 December 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.
- d. The Bronze Star Medal.

- a. France and Luxembourg.
- b. James H. Fahey, 35 312 082, Sergeant, Infantry.
- c. For heroic service in France and Luxembourg during the period 7 August 1944 to 26 December 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the above period Sgt Fahey has distinguished himself in performing his duties as Message Center Chief in a courageous manner. Serving with the forward elements of the infantry, often under heavy enemy fire, he has by his initiative, outstanding ability, and capable supervision, expedited the receipt and dispatch of important messages, thereby contributing to the continued success of his battalion in combat. The courage, resourcefulness, and unselfish devotion to duty displayed by Sgt Fahey are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.
- d. The Bronze Star Medal.

- a. France and Luxembourg.
- b. George M. Franks, 33 279 080, Sergeant, Infantry.
- c. For heroic service in France and Luxembourg during the period 6 August 1944 to 9 January 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 6 August 1944 to 9 January 1945 Sgt Franks distinguished himself in performing his duties as machine gun squad leader in a courageous manner. He has repeatedly demonstrated coolness under fire and exceptional ability in successfully completing all assigned missions. His aggressive spirit, outstanding leadership, and utter disregard for his own personal safety to lead his squad and aid the wounded have been an inspiration to all those serving with him. The courage, resourcefulness and unselfish devotion to duty displayed by Sgt Franks are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.
- d. The Bronze Star Medal.

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- a. Tadler, Luxembourg.
 - b. Frank M. Buzun, 31 428 169, Staff Sergeant, Infantry.
 - c. For gallantry in action in Luxembourg on 23 December 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During an attack against Tadler, Luxembourg, on 23 December 1944, S Sgt Buzun, a squad leader, was given the mission of deploying his squad so as to prevent the escape of the foe across the Sure River. Under heavy hostile machine gun and mortar fire he ably directed his men in the destruction of an enemy vehicle and deprived the enemy of their only escape route. His courage, efficiency, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Massachusetts.
 - d. The Silver Star Medal, Posthumously.
- a. Nocher, Luxembourg.
 - b. Stanley R. Babin, 38 381 751, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment.
 - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 18 January 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 18 January 1945, during an assault against Nocher, Luxembourg, the only route of evacuation for the casualties was impassable because of heavy snow drifts, mines, and wrecked vehicles blocking the roads. Tec 5 Babin, disregarding the heavy mortar and artillery fire falling in the area, worked throughout the night to evacuate many seriously wounded men over one and one half miles of difficult terrain to a collecting point in Dahl, Luxembourg. Tec 5 Babin's courage, bravery, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Louisiana.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal, Oak Leaf Cluster.
- a. Boustroff, France.
 - b. Carmine G. Liotti, 32 897 148, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Corps.
 - c. For heroic achievement in France on 16 November 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 16 November 1944, word was received at the battalion aid station that two soldiers in Boustroff, France, had been seriously wounded and their their evacuation was imperative. Tec 4 Liotti and three companions voluntarily drove their litter equipped vehicle through intense mortar and artillery fire into the heavily contested town and successfully evacuated the wounded soldiers. Tec 4 Liotti's courage, bravery, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal, Oak Leaf Cluster.
- a. Nocher, Luxembourg.
 - b. Warren Standley, 33 305 040, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry.
 - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 18 January 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 18 January 1945, during an assault against Nocher, Luxembourg, the only route of evacuation for casualties was over a mined road which was constantly shelled and in many places drifted with snow. Tec 5 Standley, driver of a litter bearing vehicle, voluntarily made this hazardous trip with seriously wounded soldiers until the road was blocked by a vehicle destroyed by a mine. His courage, bravery, and devotion to duty contributed immeasurably to saving the lives of many wounded men and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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- a. Luxembourg.
 - b. Ralph T. Carrig, 36 879 439, Corporal, Infantry.
 - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 27 and 28 December 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During three heavy enemy counterattacks against Pingel, Luxembourg on 27 and 28 December 1944, Cpl Carrig, a mortar gunner, rendered invaluable support to the defending infantry by accurately firing his mortar despite the enemy artillery which was directed against his position. Throughout the two day period, although working in a depleted squad, he was continually on the alert and repeatedly fired missions accurately and without hesitation. Cpl Carrig's courage, skill, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Michigan.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. Ringel, Luxembourg.
 - b. James F. McCourt, Jr., 39 096 373, Staff Sergeant, Infantry.
 - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 27 and 28 December 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During three heavy enemy counterattacks against Ringel, Luxembourg on 27 and 28 December 1944 S Sgt McCourt, a mortar squad leader, rendered invaluable support to the defending infantry by accurately directing the fire of his mortar despite the enemy artillery which was directed against his position. Throughout the two day period, although working with a depleted squad, he was continually on the alert and repeatedly fired missions accurately and without hesitation. S Sgt McCourt's courage, skill, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. Harderbach, Luxembourg.
 - b. Francis E. Sheller, 35 578 568, Private First Class, Infantry.
 - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 18 January 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During an assault on Harderbach, Luxembourg, on 18 January 1945, the tactical situation necessitated the withdrawal of a platoon which had sustained a number of casualties. Pfc Sheller serving as a platoon messenger and radio operator, assisting in the evacuation of the injured was wounded in the legs, but disregarding his pain and artillery fire on the location, he continued with his work until all the wounded were evacuated. Pfc Sheller's courage, bravery, and supreme devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. Nocher, Luxembourg.
 - b. Raymond L. Shupe, 35 540 647, Private First Class, Medical Detachment.
 - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 18 January 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 18 January 1945 during an assault against Nocher, Luxembourg, the only route of evacuation for casualties was over mined roads which was constantly shelled and in many places deeply drifted with snow. Pfc Shupe, driver of a litter bearing vehicle, voluntarily made this hazardous trip with seriously wounded soldiers until the road was blocked by a vehicle destroyed by a mine. His courage, bravery, and devotion to duty contributed immeasurably to saving the lives of many wounded men and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.
 - d. The Bronze Star Medal.