

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

- a. Ringel, Luxembourg.
  - b. Roy E. Beese, 36 688 987, Staff Sergeant, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 29 December 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. After leading his machine gun squad through heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire to a defensive position near Ringel, Luxembourg, on 29 December 1944, S Sgt Beese directed such effective fire on the enemy that the attack was halted. During the engagement S Sgt Beese, disregarding his own safety, went to the side of several wounded riflemen. His 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 Illinois.
  - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
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- a. Chemery, France.
  - b. Elbert L. Sicking, 35 358 844, Staff Sergeant, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in France on 16 November 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During a rifle company attack on Chemery, France, on 16 November 1944, S Sgt Sicking, as section leader of a machine gun section, performed his duties in a superior manner. The tactically sound manner in which he maneuvered his machine guns made possible the rapid and safe advance of the company. S Sgt Sicking's disregard for personal safety, courage, and leadership 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.
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- a. Chemery, France.
  - b. Phillip N. Ryan, 35 408 675, Technical Sergeant, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in France on 16 November 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During a rifle company attack on Chemery, France, on 16 November 1944, T Sgt Ryan performed the duties of weapons platoon leader in a superior manner. The inspiring and skillful manner in which he led his troops over terrain exposed to intense enemy fire so encouraged his men that they reached and consolidated their objective with a minimum of casualties. T Sgt Ryan's courage, leadership, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.
  - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
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- a. Heiderscheidergrund, Luxembourg.
  - b. John Watts, 34 898 230, Sergeant, 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 Sgt Watts emplaced his machine gun squad to cover a road block near Heiderscheidergrund, Luxembourg. Observing the approach of an enemy armored car, he ordered his men to hold fire until he signalled. By coolly waiting until six of the enemy had dismounted and were about to pass the roadblock, Sgt Watts was able to kill all of the enemy and to destroy their vehicle. Sgt Watt's courage, initiative 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.
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  - b. James H. Hommon, 33 846 104, Private First Class, 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, near Ringel, Luxembourg, Pfc Hommon and a comrade were defending the rear approach to the company position and were sharing the same foxhole. A surprise enemy attack was halted by their accurate fire, but one of the enemy assaulted their position, jumped into their foxhole, and struck his companion with a rifle butt. Promptly killing the attacker, he again directed his fire against the enemy supported by his recovered but dazed comrade. His aggressiveness, initiative, and courage are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Maryland.
  - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. Ringel, Luxembourg.
  - b. WALTER H. HOLLE, 01062 383, Second Lieutenant, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 29 December 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During an enemy attack against Ringel, Luxembourg, on 29 December 1944, Lt Holle and his platoon were outflanked by a numerically superior enemy. Organizing every available man in a perimeter defense, Lt Holle so encouraged his men by his own example that the enemy was put to rout and suffered severe losses. His courage, aggressiveness, and devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.
  - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. Chemery, France.
  - b. PAUL J. DURAND, 01 293 699, First Lieutenant, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in France on 16 November 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During a rifle company attack on Chemery, France, on 16 November 1944 Lt Durand performed the duties of platoon leader in a superior manner. The inspiring and skillful manner in which he led his troops over terrain exposed to intense enemy fire so encouraged his men that they reached and consolidated their objective with a minimum of casualties. Lt Durand's courage, leadership, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest tradition of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Wisconsin.
  - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. Heiderscheid, Luxembourg.
  - b. Casimir T. Capik, 32 592 656, Technical Sergeant, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 23 December 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. After carrying a wounded member of his platoon to safety through a heavy artillery barrage which preceded an enemy attack against Heiderscheid, Luxembourg, on 23 December 1944, T Sgt Capik organized his platoon in the path of the enemy. So skillfully and tactfully did he deploy his men that they were able to destroy two enemy halftracks and drive back the attack. T Sgt Capik's courage, tactical skill, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New Jersey.
  - d. The Bronze Star Medal.

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- a. Dahl, Luxembourg.
  - b. Edward Ferdue, 35 437 731, Private First Class, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 7 and 8 January 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the defense of Dahl, Luxembourg, on 7 and 8 January 1945, Pfc Ferdue, a company messenger, volunteered to keep intact the extensive communication net of his heavy weapons company. Severe enemy artillery and rocket fire repeatedly destroyed the communications wires. Pfc Ferdue, disregarding the danger, worked night and day in exposed positions to find and repair breaks in the lines. His courage and unhesitating devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from West Virginia.
  - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. Ober Homberg, France.
  - b. Kenneth E. Palm, 33 276 301, Private First Class, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in France on 29 November 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 29 November 1944, the company in which Pfc Palm served as a rifleman established a defensive position on Hill 315 near Ober Homberg, France. While moving into position, a well concealed enemy machine gun severely wounded the company's first sergeant. Despite the wounded man's protest and the extreme danger from enemy fire, Pfc Palm recruited aid and carried the first sergeant to safety. Pfc Palm's courage 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. Chemery, France.
  - b. Stephen C. Mace, 33 349 092, Technical Sergeant, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in France on 16 November 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During a rifle company attack on Chemery, France, on 16 November 1944, T Sgt Mace performed his duties of platoon leader in a superior manner. The inspiring and skillful manner in which he led his troops over terrain exposed to intense enemy fire so encouraged his men that they reached and consolidated their objective with a minimum of casualties. T Sgt Mace's courage, leadership, 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. St Genevieve, France.
  - b. Geza Kardos, 33 367 721, Private First Class, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in France on 17 September 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 17 September 1944 Pfc Kardos while driving on a reconnaissance mission near St Genevieve, France, was instructed to wait with his vehicle while the two officers with him continued on foot. Disregarding heavy artillery fire which began to fall about his position he drove his vehicle to a place of safety. Although small arms fire harassed him while moving, by skillful driving he prevented damage to the vehicle. Pfc Kardos's courage, and devotion to duty saved valuable property and exemplify 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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- a. Kautenbach, Luxembourg.
  - b. LEMUEL J. RICHARDS, O1 324 652, First Lieutenant, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 23 January 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Realizing the need for communication with rifle company which had succeeded in liberating part of the town of Kautenbach, Luxembourg, on 23 January 1945, Lt Richards personally directed the laying of telephone wire to the company command post. Even though all approaches to the town were under heavy shell fire and observation, he succeeded in establishing a contact by phone with the embattled company. Often finding and repairing breaks in the wire himself, Lt Richards courage, leadership, and initiative are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States.
  - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. Dahl, Luxembourg.
  - b. FRANKLIN C. RETCHLESS, O1 081 524, First Lieutenant, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 14 January 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 14 January 1945, near Dahl, Luxemburg, Lt Retchless, a platoon leader, voluntarily led a litter squad to within seventy five yards of enemy guns to evacuate a seriously wounded soldier. Despite five hours of continuous enemy fire he persevered in his mission successfully rendering first aid and evacuating his wounded comrades. Lt Retchless' courage, aggressiveness, and devotion to duty exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States.
  - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. Dahl, Luxembourg.
  - b. Paul Puleio, 33 439 813, Staff Sergeant, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 7 and 8 January 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the determined defense of Dahl, Luxembourg, on the 7th and 8th of January 1945, S Sgt Puleio, in spite of the heavy enemy rocket and artillery fire directed at his position, continued to fire his mortars effectively against the attacking enemy. His skill and daring made it possible to deliver an accurate and deadly concentration among the enemy troops. S Sgt Puleio's courage, leadership, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Maryland.
  - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
- a. Dahl, Luxembourg.
  - b. Euel S. Potts, 38 209 783, Private First Class, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 7 January 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During an enemy counterattack against Dahl, Luxembourg, on 7 January 1945, Pfc Potts, a driver in a mortar platoon, volunteered to drive over slippery roads to obtain sufficient ammunition to use against the enemy attack. In spite of hazardous weather conditions and enemy artillery fire, Pfc Potts successfully accomplished this vitally important mission. His courage, initiative, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Arkansas.
  - d. The Bronze Star Medal.

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- a. Heiderscheid, Luxembourg.
  - b. William J. Teliska, 32 661 443, Sergeant, 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 a pre-dawn enemy attack against Heiderscheid, Luxembourg, Sgt Teliska a truck driver, voluntarily removed the .50 caliber machine gun from his truck and, emplacing it on the third floor of a building, effectively fired on enemy troops who had penetrated to within one hundred yards of the battalion command post. Despite heavy enemy fire on his position he remained at his post until the enemy withdrew. Sgt Teliska's courage, aggressiveness, 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.
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- a. Serrieres, France.
  - b. JOSEPH K. STRICKLAND, O 536 837, Second Lieutenant, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in France on 8 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 8 October 1944, after capturing Hill 240 near Serrieres, France, intermittent enemy artillery fire hindered all attempts to clear the area of enemy mines. Lt Strickland, Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon Leader, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, organized and personally aided his men in clearing all the mined area during the night. Lt Strickland's initiative, courage, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from South Carolina.
  - d. The Bronze Star Medal.
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- a. France.
  - b. BERT SANTORA, O1 296 586, First Lieutenant, Infantry.
  - c. For heroic achievement in France on 16 November 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. 1st Lt Santora, as executive officer of a rifle company, from 7 August 1944 to 27 November 1944 has performed his duties in a superior manner. Taking command of a platoon on 16 November 1944 near Chemery, France, he led his men over difficult terrain and through intense artillery fire to reach and consolidate his objective with a minimum of casualties. Lt Santora's leadership, courage, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.
  - d. The Bronze Star Medal.

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- a. France.
- b. Clarence W. Flemming, 36 449 948, Private First Class, Medical Corps.
- c. For heroic service in France during the period 7 August 1944, to 27 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period from 7 August 1944 to 27 November 1944, Pfc Flemming distinguished himself in performing his duties as medical aid man in a courageous manner. Serving with forward elements of the infantry, he has consistently demonstrated coolness under fire. On numerous occasions with utter disregard for his own safety, Pfc Flemming has administered vitally needed first aid and evacuated the wounded under heavy enemy fire. The outstanding courage, technical skill, and unselfish devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Flemming are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.
- d. The Bronze Star Medal.

- a. Luxembourg.
- b. John Dretar, 33 604 947, Private First Class, Infantry.
- c. For heroic service in Luxembourg during the period 6 - 20 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 6 - 20 January 1945, Pfc Dretar distinguished himself in performing his duties in a courageous manner. Serving with a rifle company he was assigned to assist in the maintenance of wire communications. With complete disregard for his own safety, Pfc Dretar made frequent trips to and from to repair and trace breaks in the lines under intense artillery fire, thereby contributing materially to the success of the company in combat. His outstanding bravery, determination, and zealous devotion to duty exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.
- d. The Bronze Star Medal.

- a. France and Luxembourg.
- b. Robert B. DeLurme, 39 312 628, Sergeant, Infantry.
- c. For heroic service in France and Luxembourg during the period from 4 September 1944 to 20 January 1945 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the above period Sgt DeLurme distinguished himself in performing his duties as Battalion Wire Chief in a courageous manner. His technical skill and diligent supervision of the installation and maintenance of wire communications frequently under intense enemy fire have contributed materially to the success of the battalion in combat. The outstanding courage, initiative, and loyal devotion to duty displayed by Sgt DeLurme are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Oregon.
- d. The Bronze Star Medal.

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- a. Adelong, France.
- b. Charles E. Carson, 34 002 459, First Sergeant, Infantry.
- c. For heroic achievement in France on 16 November 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack on Adelong, France, on 16 November 1944, 1st Sgt Carson, while moving his company headquarters behind the attacking echelon, observed that there were an inadequate number of litter squads to evacuate the wounded rifleman. On his own initiative he organized and directed a system of evacuation which removed all American and a few enemy casualties from the battlefield. 1st Sgt Carson's leadership, initiative, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Georgia.
- d. The Bronze Star Medal.

- a. Abaucourt, France.
- b. EUGENE WILCOX, O1 290 512, First Lieutenant, Infantry.
- c. For heroic achievement in France on 1 November 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. In an attack on Abaucourt, France, on 1 November 1944, Lt Wilcox led his platoon so skillfully that he overran the enemy positions and occupied the objective much in advance of the platoons on his right and left. Quickly perceiving the situation, he attacked to the flanks, thereby relieving the adjacent units and capturing forty-five of the enemy. Lt Wilcox's initiative, courage, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.
- d. The Bronze Star Medal.

- a. Chemery, France.
- b. Harry Weston, 33 320 392, Technical Sergeant, Infantry.
- c. For heroic achievement in France on 16 November 1944 in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During a rifle company attack on Chemery, France, on 16 November 1944, T Sgt Weston performed his duties as a platoon leader in a superior manner. The inspiring and skillful manner in which he led his troops over terrain exposed to intense enemy fire so encouraged his men that they reached and consolidated their objective with a minimum of casualties. T Sgt Weston's courage, leadership, 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.