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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel:

JOHN W. BIER, 0519523, 1st Lt, 318th Infantry, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Germany on 15 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Lt Bier, an Infantry Battalion S-2, personally supervised and led his battalion assault against strong enemy positions near Weiskirchen, Germany, on 15 March 1945. Following the defeat of the enemy troops on the outskirts of the village, he led the battalion through mine fields and heavy enemy fire in an assault which resulted in the entering of the town itself. In the bitter house to house fighting that followed, Lt Bier advised the company commanders, directed many local operations, and personally participated in the final drive which completely defeated the fanatic enemy troops in the sector. The leadership, determined aggressiveness, and devotion to duty displayed by Lt Bier are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Missouri.

Boyd W. Brafford, 34997374, Pfc, Co B, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Germany on 6 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 6 April 1945, the enemy launched a strong counterattack near Windhave, Germany. Pfc Brafford, on regaining consciousness after having been covered with debris when a direct hit was registered on a nearby house, heard enemy tanks approaching. As one hostile tank drew close to his position he destroyed it with one round from his rocket launcher. This act caused the others to withdraw. Pfc Brafford than directed his rocket fire at the enemy infantry, inflicting many casualties and contributing immeasurably to their rout. The courage, aggressiveness, and sincere devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Brafford exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from North Carolina.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel:

Walter C. Burger, 33847457, Sgt, Co C, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 15 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack of an infantry company on an enemy position northeast of Greimerath, Germany, on 15 March 1945, a machine gunner in the company was seriously wounded.

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Sgt Burger, serving as squad leader, voluntarily advancing under heavy enemy fire from small arms and automatic weapons, succeeded in safely evacuating the wounded man. The initiative, courage, and devotion to duty displayed by Sgt Burger exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Washington, D.C.

Jake Adkisson, 34311359, Pfc, Co M, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 17 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the operations at Michelbach, Germany, on 17 March 1945, a short but severe enemy nebel-werfer barrage was fired into the village scoring a direct hit on a vehicle. Disregarding his own personal safety and despite the danger of exploding ammunition in the fire that resulted, Pfc Adkisson quickly backed his vehicle close to the burning wreckage, attached a tow cable, and dragged it away from the trailer which held ammunition, grenades, and important organizational equipment. Such courage and resourcefulness are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from North Carolina.

William C. Baker, 13089577, Pfc, Co C, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 14 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack on Bergen, Germany, on 14 March 1945, a well emplaced and determined enemy repulsed the initial assault. A withdrawal for reorganization was ordered, but as one of the enemy barrages had destroyed the company radio it was necessary to establish communications by some other means before the field order could reach the embattled platoons. Pfc Baker, a company runner, disregarding his own personal safety, without hesitation crossed open ground to carry the message to the platoons. Although subjected to intense artillery, small arms, and sniper fire, he bravely accomplished his mission. Such courage and determination are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Thomas E. Duffy, 19122899, T Sgt, Hq Co 1st Bn, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France, Luxembourg, and Germany during the period 15 August 1944, to 1 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Oregon.

Charles W. Walker, 33320075, S Sgt, AT Co, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France, Luxembourg, and Germany during the period 1 November 1944, to 1 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel:

John E. Beard, Jr, 15105139, Tec 4, 80th Cavalry Recommaissance Troop, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France, Luxembourg, and Germany during the period 8 August 1944, to 1 May 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 8 August 1944, to 1 May 1945, Tec 4 Beard, a radio operator of the Division Reconnaissance Troop, performed his duties in a superior manner. Throughout the period Tec 4 Beard remained at his set for lengthy periods of time, maintaining a high degree of efficient transmission despite enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire directed at his vehicle. His skillful operations contributed greatly to the success of the platoon to which he was attached. The tireless energy, devotion to duty, conscientiousness, and initiative displayed by Tec 4 Beard reflect great credit upon himself and the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

William L. Bell, 38053801, Sgt, Hq Co 3d Bn, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 15 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 15 March 1945, near Britten, Germany, severe fighting against determined enemy resistance dangerously depleted the ammunition supplies of the attacking companies. The exact locations of the companies were not known when a carrying party loft buttalion headquarters with ammunition. Sgt Bell, squad leader, and three others made their way through severe enemy barrages, and, though warned of frequent counterattacks, continued with their heavy load until they found the companies. This aggressiveness assured success against subsequent counterattacks. Such courage and resourcefulness are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

Joseph J. Brenner, 33072369, S Sgt, 80th Quartermaster Company, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France, Luxembourg, Germany, and Austria during the period 7 August 1944, to 5 May 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

William J. Burns, 33355143, S Sgt, Hq Co 2d Bn, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France, Luxembourg, and Germany during the period 6 August 1944, to 17 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Wesley W. Candler, 35434824, Sgt, Co M, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. 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, an attack was made on Nocher, Luxembourg. The enemy laid

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down a heavy barrage which threatened the positions of a supporting heavy weapons company. One rocket shell made a direct hit on a machine gun position, wounding the crew. Sgt Candler, a squad leader, assisted in administering first aid and in evacuating the wounded throughout a heavy enemy barrage. Through his assistance all the wounded were quickly evacuated and received adequate medical treatment at the aid station. Such courage and thoughtfulness are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from West Virginia.

David W. Clark, 35358752, T Sgt, Hq Co, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 3 May 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 3 May 1945, T Sgt Clark led a small patrol with the mission of capturing a number of German soldiers who had been reported in a house near Lind, Germany. Working his way close to the building, T Sgt Clark persuaded the enemy to surrender. While leaving their hideout, a group of fanatical Germans fired into their ranks from a nearby ravine. T Sgt Clark quickly moved to a favorable position and overcame the enemy by delivering effective fire. Such courage, aggressiveness, and devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 14 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack on Bergen, Germany, on 14 March 1945, a well emplaced and determined enemy repulsed the initial assault. A withdrawal for reorganization was ordered but as one of the enemy barrages had destroyed the company radio it was necessary to establish communications by some other means before the field order could reach the embattled platoons. Pfc Crouse, a company runner, disregarding his own personal safety, without hesitation crossed open ground to carry the message to the platoons. Although subjected to intense artillery, small arms, and sniper fire he bravely accomplished his mission. Such courage and determination are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Frank J. DelViscio, 13097585, S Sgt, Co H, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 18 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 18 February 1945, in the attack on Neidersgegen and Geichlingen, Germany, S Sgt DelViscio, mortar section leader, disregarding his own personal safety, made his way over open terrain and through heavy enemy artillery barrages to select an observation post overlooking the objective. By so doing he was able to accurately register an intense barrage on the enemy, put them to rout, and open the way for the assault companies. Such aggressiveness and courageous resource-fulness are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel:

Rosario J. Dennis, 31150027, T Sgt, Co C, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 18 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack on Massler, Luxembourg, on 18 January 1945, T Sgt Dennis exhibited outstanding leadership when his company was ambushed by severe enemy . opposition. The leading platoon was held up by machine gun and anti-tank fire from guns which were concealed by a heavy snowstorm. I Sgt Dennis maneuvered his squads until he could overcome the enemy and relieve the trapped platoon. He then volunteered to lead litter squads and, despite enemy fire, directed the evacuation of all the wounded. Such conspicuous courage and aggressiveness are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Maine.

John T. Gable, 33348196, S Sgt, 80th Quartermaster Company, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France, Luxembourg, Germany, and Austria during the period 7 August 1944, to 5 May 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Willie Garner, 35482983, T Sgt, Co G, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 11 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. T Sgt Garner was serving as a plateon sergeant of a rifle company which was counterattacked in the town of Gispersleben, Germany, on 11 April 1945, by tank supported enemy troops. In one portion of the town the enemy was driven back, but succeeded in entering the town from the southwest. T Sgt Garner was instructed to move his platoon to that sector to prevent a breakthrough into the center of the friendly defenses. By brilliant maneuvering and disposition of his men he was able to provide the support necessary to stop the counterattack, killing thirty six of the enemy and capturing nine. The initiative, efficiency, and loyal devotion to duty displayed by T Sgt Garner are commensurate with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Roscoe W. Garrett, 35793045, Sgt, Co C, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 12 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack on Bergen, Germany, on 14 March 1945, severe enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire inflicted many casualties. Sgt Garrett volunteered to lead two teams of infantrymen in order to evacuate the wounded before darkness. By creeping, crawling, and superior leadership he advanced well into enemy lines and evacuated all of the wounded to the safety of an aid station, saving the lives of a number of seriously wounded men. Such courage and leadership are

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commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.

JAMES H. HAYES, 024646, Maj, 317th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in France, Luxembourg, Germany, and Austria during the period 6 August 1944, to 20 May 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered United States Military Academy from Pennsylvania.

L. C. Howard, 18041572, Tec 5, Btry C, 905th Field Artillery Battalion, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France, Luxembourg, and Germany during the period 8 August 1944, to 7 May 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 8 August 1944, to 7 May 1945, in France, Luxembourg, and Germany, Tec 5 Howard performed his duties as radio operator for a forward observer in a superior manner. Often called upon for many assignments involving personal risk he accomplished each without hesitation. In the attack on Vollmarshausen, Germany, on 2 April 1945, the commanding officer of the infantry company, with which his forward observer section was working, was killed and the company was delayed by tank and small arms fire. Disregarding his own personal safety, Tee 5 Howard accompanied the observer to a forward point of vantage from which they successfully placed artillery fire upon the town, enabling the company to continue the attack and seize the objective without another casualty. The courage, resourcefulness, and constant devotion to duty displayed by Tee 5 Howard are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

Ray E. Jones, 37508091, Sgt, Co C. 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 14 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During devastating enemy artillery fire near Bergen, Germany, on 14 March 1945, it was necessary to establish wire communication with the forward elements. Despite the severe artillery concentrations and the fact that he was painfully wounded in the leg, Sgt Jones, the company communications sergeant, laid wire to all the platoons. After being treated at the aid station, Sgt Jones returned to his duties and maintained the communication lines which he so heroically established. The courage, initiative, and loyal devotion to duty displayed by Sgt Jones exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kansas.

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V. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel:

Andrew Jugan, 13111652, Sgt, Co D, 318th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, and Austria during the period 6 August 1944, to 8 May 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 6 August 1944, to 8 May 1945, in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, and Austria Sgt Jugan distinguished himself by performing his duties as recommaissance sergeant in a superior manner. Always on the alert and keenly aware of the importance of his mission, his selections of positions for the 81mm mortar platoon were in a large measure responsible for the effective fire they brought to bear in support of the assault rifle companies. The outstanding efficiency, loyalty, and devotion to duty displayed by Sgt Jugan are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Joseph J. Kiesel, 33348131, S Sgt, Co D, 318th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, and Austria during the period 6 August 1944, to 8 May 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. From 6 August 1944, to 8 May 1945, S Sgt Kiesel performed his duties as an 81mm mortar squad leader in a superior manner. His leadership was largely instrumental in the outstanding support his squad was able to direct in assisting the assault rifle companies and when he was not actively engaged in combat he willingly shouldered other work and responsibilities with untiring energy. By preparing miniature ranges he aided immeasurably in training mortar gunners and observers for his platoon. The outstanding loyalty and devotion to duty displayed by S Sgt Kiesel are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Peter E. Knight, Jr, 33376478, Pfc, Co M, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 17 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the operations at Michelbach, Germany, a short but severe nebelwerfer barrage was laid down on the village and scored a direct hit on a vehicle. Disregarding his own personal safety and despite the danger of exploding ammunition in the fire that resulted, Pfc Knight removed two cans of gasoline, three wheels, and three tires from the burning vehicle. Such courage and resourcefulness are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Maryland.

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John A. Langley, 35090010, Tec 5, Btry C, 314th Field Artillery Battalion, Army of the United States. For heroic service in Germany during the period 13 - 18 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. In Germany from 13 to 18 March 1945, Tec 5 Langley, serving as a radio operator for a forward observation team, successfully registered artillery fire upon the enemy. On one occasion, while under direct enemy sniper and machine gun fire, he placed his radio in the window of a two story building in order to obtain proper transmission and remained in this exposed position transmitting fire missions until the enemy was driven out of its positions. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Tec 5 Langley are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

Holmes W. Lemon, 39725884, S Sgt, Co M, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. 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 attack on Nocher, Luxembourg, the enemy laid down a heavy barrage which threatened the positions of a heavy weapons company. One rocket shell made a direct hit on a machine gun position, wounding the crew. S Sgt Lemon, a section leader, assisted in administering first aid and in evacuating the wounded throughout the devastating barrage. Through his courageous perseverence all the wounded were quickly evacuated and received adequate medical treatment at the aid station. Such courage and thoughtfulness are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.

Ralph N. Lopez, 32902334, Pfc, Hq Co 3d Bn, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 15 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 15 March 1945, near Britten, Germany, severe fighting against determined enemy resistance dangerously depleted the ammunition supplies of the attacking companies. The exact locations of the companies were not known when a carrying party left battalion headquarters with ammunition. Pfc Lopez, ammunition bearer, and three others made their way through severe enemy barrages and, though warned of frequent counterattacks, continued with their heavy load until they found the companies. This aggressiveness assured success against subsequent counterattacks. Such courage and resourcefulness are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

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VI. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel:

Kenneth R. Mains, 35314272, Tec 4, Hq Btry, 905th Field Artillery Battalion, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France and Luxembourg during the period 21 December 1944, to 26 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 21 December 1944, to 26 January 1945, in France and Luxembourg, Tec 4 Mains served as operator of a radio relay station. In this capacity, his aggressive spirit in maintaining contact with forward radios placed him in positions exposed to danger from by-passed enemy troops, hostile artillery fire, and enemy tank fire. On two occasions he was fired upon by enemy tanks and by artillery fire many times. Through his technical skill, courage, and aggressiveness the artillery liaison officers and forward observers with the infantry were given adequate radio communication at all times, enabling them to give the infantry the most effective artillery support. The courage, resourcefulness, and constant devotion to duty displayed by Tec 4 Mains are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military. service from Ohio.



Duelleo Mastrine, 33247565, S Sgt (then Sgt), Co M, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. 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, an attack was made on Nocher, Luxembourg, the enemy laid down a heavy barrage which threatened the positions of a supporting heavy weapons company. One rocket shell made a direct hit on a machine gun position, wounding the crew. S Sgt Mastrine, a squad leader, assisted in administering first aid and in evacuating the wounded throughout the heavy enemy barrage. Through his assistance all the wounded were quickly evacuated and received adequate medical treatment at the aid station. Such courage and thoughtfulness are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Jim McCormick, 34243028, Pfc, Hq Btry, 905th Field Artillery Battalion, Army of the United States. For heroic service in Luxembourg and Germany during the period 23 December 1944, to 20 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 23 December 1944, to 20 April 1945, in Luxembourg and Germany, Pfc McCormick distinguished himself by performing his duties as driver for the artillery liaison section with an infantry unit in a courageous manner. His work, often performed under the most hazardous combat conditions, has been instrumental in the effectiveness of the artillory support given the infantry units. The determination, resourcefulness, and unselfish devotion to duty displayed by Pfc McCormick are commensurate with the first traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military corruce from Florida.

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MORTON E. MESSER, 0466811, 2d Lt. 905th Field Artillery Battalion, Army of the United States. For heroic service in Luxembourg and Germany during the period 1 February 1945, to 1 May 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 1 February 1945, to 1 May 1945, in Luxembourg and Germany, Lt Messer performed his duties as artillery forward observer in a superior manner. Serving with the infantry assault companies, he successfully directed artillery fire upon many enemy targets. On numerous occasions, when given very difficult assignments involving great personal risk, he skillfully accomplished each task. The courage, leadership, and devotion to duty displayed by Lt Messer have been a constant inspiration to the troops with whom he has worked and are commensurate with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM S. MILLER, 0548103, 2d Lt, 905th Field Artillery Battalion, Army of the United States. For heroic service in Luxembourg and Germany during the period 1 February 1945, to 1 May 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 1 February 1945, to 1 May 1945, in Luxembourg and Germany, Lt Miller performed his duties as artillery forward observer in a superior manner. Serving with the infantry assault companies, he successfully directed artillery fire upon many enemy targets. On numerous occasions when given very difficult assignments involving great personal risk he accomplished each task with outstanding success. The courage, leadership, and devotion to duty displayed by Lt Miller have been an inspiration to the troops with whom he has worked and are commensurate with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Colorado.

Richard U. Moorman, 39563886, Sgt (then Pfc), Co M, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 13 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 13 February 1945, during the assault on the Siegfried Line near Wallendorf, Germany, severe enemy barrages and small arms fire inflicted many casualties on the rifle company which Sgt Moorman's machine gun section supported. Sgt Moorman offered the suggestion and voluntarily formed litter squads of prisoners. This evacuation of the wounded was made under extremely concentrated artillery and mortar fire. Such resourcefulness and courage are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.

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VII. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel:

John F. Murphy, 33294627, Tec 5, Hq Btry, 905th Field Artillery Battalion, Army of the United States. For heroic service in Luxembourg and Germany during the period 23 December 1944, to 20 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 23 December 1944, to 20 April 1945, in Luxembourg and Germany, Tec 5 Murphy distinguished himself by performing his duties as radio operator for the field artillery liaison section with an infantry unit in a superior manner. He demonstrated outstanding ability in maintaining communications with the artillery battalion. His work, often performed under hazardous combat conditions, was instrumental in supplying the most effective artillery support to the infantry units. The personal bravery, resourcefulness, and unselfish devotion to duty displayed by Tec 5 Murphy are commensurate with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

CERALD D. PUTMAN, 01285641, Capt, 318th Infantry, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France, Luxembourg, and Germany during the period 6 August 1944, to 30 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

James P. Rogers, 33334929, S Sgt, Co C, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 7 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the assault on the Siegfried Line on 7 February 1945, the right flank of an infantry rifle company received severe enemy fire and was temporarily delayed. Seeing this, S Sgt Rogers rallied his men and, using marching fire, proceeded directly into the enemy positions which he overran. By this assault S Sgt Rogers and his men seized dominating terrain which enabled the company to advance and seize the objective. Such courageous leadership and aggressiveness are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Angelo Salvatore, 33337000, Tec 5, Hq Co 3d Bn, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 15 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 15 March 1945, near Britten, Germany, severe fighting against determined resistance dangerously depleted the ammunition supplies of the attacking companies. The exact locations of the companies were not known when a carrying party left battalion headquarters with ammunition. Tec 5 Salvatore, ammunition bearer, and three others made their way through severe enemy barrages and, though warned of frequent counterattacks, continued with their heavy load until they found the companies. This aggressiveness assured success against subsequent counterattacks. Such courage and resourcefulness are commensurate with the highest

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traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Jack J. Szewczyk, 32596689, S Sgt, Co M, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. 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, an attack was made on Nocher, Luxembourg. The enemy laid down a heavy barrage which threatened the positions of a supporting heavy weapons company. One rocket shell made a direct hit on a machine gun position, wounding the crew. S Sgt Szewczyk, a machine gun section sergeant, assisted in administering first aid and in evacuating the wounded throughout the heavy enemy barrage. Through his assistance all the wounded were quickly evacuated and received adequate medical treatment at the aid station. Such courage and thoughtfulness are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New Jersey.

J. C. Tierce, 39304794, S Sgt (then Pvt), Co F, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States For heroic achievement in France on 17 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During a heavy artillery barrage near Hans-sur-Nied, France on 17 November 1944, S Sgt Tierce administered first aid and evacuated three wounded comrades from the area in which artillery was falling. S Sgt Tierce's bravery drew the acclaim of all who watnessed this action. His courageous disregard for personal safety, sincere devotion to his comrades and to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Oregon.

William C. Vanderbilt, 42016448, Pfc (then Pvt), Hq Co 3d Bn, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 15 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 15 March 1945, near Britten, Germany, severe fighting against determined enemy resistance dangerously depleted the ammunition supplies of the attacking companies. The exact locations of the companies were not known when a carrying party left battalion headquarters with ammunition. Pfc Vanderbilt, ammunition bearer, and three others made their way through severe enemy barrages and, though warned of frequent counterattacks, continued with their heavy load until they found the companies. This aggressiveness assured success against subsequent counterattacks. Such courage and resourcefulness are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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VIII. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART (OAK LEAF CLUSTER): By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, in addition to the Purple Heart previously awarded, a bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded T Sgt Joseph A. Fiordalisi, 15104778, Inf, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France on 23 August 1944.

IX. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded the following named personnel for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France on dates indicated:

RANK AND NAME	ASN	SERVICE	DATE
LTec 4 John Priole	33335954	Inf	5 Sep 44
Pfc Peter B. Bierbaum	36431335	Inf	9 Nov 44

X. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded Pfc Anthony F. Karpinski, 31403062, Inf. for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Austria on 3 June 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL MCBRIDE:

S. P. WALKER Colonel, GSC, Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

S. W. ROTH Major, AGD, Asst Adj Gen.