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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL, POSTHUMOUSLY: 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, posthumously, to the following named personnel:

JOHN H. CALLOWAY, 6970545, S Sgt, Co L, 317th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in GERMANY on 10 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near ALACH, GERMANY, S Sgt CALLOWAY, a squad leader, boldly attacked a six man enemy patrol and in a fierce fire fight, killed three and captured three. Later, when his platoon was delayed by machine gun and sniper fire, he exposed himself to kill the sniper and then destroy the machine gun with a grenade despite the severe fire which took his life. S Sgt CALLOWAY'S courage and gallantry exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from NORTH CAROLINA.

DAVID S. STEVENS, 01328534, 2d Lt, Infantry, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in GERMANY on 11 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. When an enemy force ambushed the convoy of which Lt STEVENS was a member, he volunteered to destroy their position. Quickly organizing his platoon, he led a gallant charge over 400 yards of exposed and hazardous terrain, through intense hostile fire, and inspired his men to overrun and destroy the well prepared emplacements until he was mortally wounded. Lt STEVENS' leadership and courage exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from CONNECTICUT.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: 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:

✓ EDWARD E. BLEWETT, 6927435, S Sgt, Co C, 318th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in AUSTRIA on 5 May 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At RANSHOFEN, AUSTRIA, S Sgt BLEWETT defied an enemy order to surrender and boldly advanced on a position until the defenders surrendered. After interrogating these prisoners he crossed open terrain to another position and despite hostile weapons trained on his movements persuaded thirty seven more enemy to give up with all of their equipment. S Sgt BLEWETT'S disregard for personal safety eliminated a serious threat and exemplifies the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from GEORGIA.

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DAVID A. FARRAR, 33225657, Sgt, Co C, 305th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action in FRANCE on 1 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. After attacking through severe enemy fire with infantrymen near LETRICOURT, FRANCE, Sgt FARRAR began a reconnaissance of the Saille River. Before reaching the river he fearlessly attacked an enemy patrol and killed and wounded several. He then advanced to the river and under hostile fire secured the necessary information. Sgt FARRAR'S superb leadership, fearlessness, and sincere devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from VIRGINIA.

✓ FELIX D. FERRELL, 38474600, 1st Sgt (then S Sgt), Co F, 318th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in FRANCE on 25 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near ZIMMING, FRANCE, when his company was temporarily delayed by a hostile force, 1st Sgt FERRELL voluntarily and alone attempted a flanking movement. Crawling over 150 yards of exposed terrain under severe machine gun fire, he boldly assaulted and destroyed one position, and forced 28 Germans to surrender in face of his fierce charge. 1st Sgt FERRELL'S gallantry and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from TEXAS.

✓ SAM J. McALLESTER, JR., 01301336, Capt (then 1st Lt), Infantry, 318th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in GERMANY on 10 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near BIESDORF, GERMANY, when his company seemed halted by severe enemy fire, Capt McALLESTER, although dazed by a shell burst, advanced to the head of the company. The troops observing his intrepid and gallant leadership were so inspired that they advanced and destroyed all enemy emplacements and resistance by killing 70 and capturing 50 of the hostile troops. Capt McALLESTER'S courage and devotion exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from TENNESSEE.

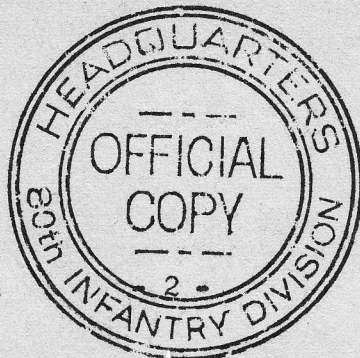
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JAMES H. McCURRY, 34311564, 1st Sgt (then T Sgt), AT Co, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in GERMANY on 23 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near KOPERICH, GERMANY, 1st Sgt McCURRY probed enemy lines, and on the third attempt successfully infiltrated his platoon to a pre-arranged strategic position. From the commanding terrain he radioed information paramount to a future attack. When the hostile forces retreated towards his position, he exercised excellent fire control and inflicted great casualties on the enemy ranks. 1st Sgt McCURRY'S leadership and judgment exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from NORTH CAROLINA.

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III. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: 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:

WILLIAM T. MURPHY, 33126292, Sgt, Co C, 305th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action in FRANCE on 1 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Attacking with infantrymen through severe enemy fire on ABAUCOURT, FRANCE, Sgt MURPHY moved among his men encouraging and reorganizing his squad and administering first aid. After securing the town he advanced to the Seille River under heavy hostile fire and returned with information vital to his battalion's operations. Sgt MURPHY'S superb leadership, fearlessness, and sincere devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from VIRGINIA.

MURRAY RAFF, 32693465, Pfc, Co C, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in LUXEMBOURG on 18 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near DAHL, LUXEMBOURG, Pfc RAFF volunteered to carry an urgent message to the commander of a surrounded platoon. While crawling through enemy lines he was severely wounded, but despite the pain and increasing intensity of enemy fire, he persisted in his efforts, and delivered the message which contributed immeasurably to the platoon's escape and a successful attack. Pfc RAFF'S perseverance and gallantry exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from NEW YORK.

NEAL H. ROWLAND, 36765335, Pfc, Hq Co 2d Bn, 318th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in GERMANY on 3 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At BRASSELSBURG, GERMANY, Pfc ROWLAND, with a companion, exposed himself to the enemy to cross open terrain and infiltrate into the town. There, he forced three prisoners to give information and draw overlays of the enemy defenses. He then dispatched his comrade to return and lead an attack on the enemy rear while he guarded the prisoners. Pfc ROWLAND'S gallantry and initiative aided the battalion greatly and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from ILLINOIS.

RUDOLPH TOMASIK, 31345214, Pfc, Hq Co, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in GERMANY on 13 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. In the vicinity of WEINER, GERMANY, when severe enemy fire inflicted casualties on his platoon and temporarily disorganized the men, Pfc TOMASIK refused to seek cover. With disregard for personal safety, and in view of the hostile forces, he returned the enemy fire so effectively that his comrades were able to reorganize, deploy, and win a decisive victory. Pfc TOMASIK'S gallantry and devotion exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from CONNECTICUT.

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URBAN A. WEINHEIMER, 13129164, S Sgt, Co C, 305th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action in LUXEMBOURG on 23 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near DAHL, LUXEMBOURG, under severe enemy artillery fire, S Sgt WEINHEIMER was breaching an anti-personnel mine field. When he slipped and detonated a mine which blew off his foot, he slowly and painfully crawled to safety, rather than endanger his comrades lives. Despite his wounds, he refused evacuation until he directed the task to successful completion. S Sgt WEINHEIMER'S courage, leadership, and perseverance are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

ERIC R. WEINMANN, 32406327, S Sgt (then Cpl), AT Co, 318th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in GERMANY on 3 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At BRASSELBURG, GERMANY, S Sgt WEINMANN exposed himself to the enemy to cross open terrain and infiltrate into the town. There, he forced three prisoners to give information and draw overlays of the enemy defenses. After returning over the same hazardous route, he led an attack on the hostile force's rear which killed 20 and took 200 prisoners. S Sgt WEINMANN'S gallantry and initiative exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from NEW YORK.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: 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 for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

JOEL W. ATKINS, 01556918, 1st Lt, Ord Dept, 780th Ordnance LM Company, United States Army. For the period 6 August 1944, to 8 May 1945, in FRANCE, LUXEMBOURG, GERMANY, and AUSTRIA. Entered military service from ARKANSAS.

RICHARD S. COOLEY, 35330450, Tec 4, 80th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For the period 1 September 1944, to 8 May 1945, in FRANCE, LUXEMBOURG, GERMANY, and AUSTRIA. Entered military service from OHIO.

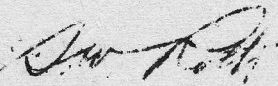
FLORYAN F. GODECK, 33323225, T Sgt, Sv Co, 317th Infantry, United States Army. For the period 6 August 1944, to 8 May 1945, in FRANCE, LUXEMBOURG, GERMANY, and AUSTRIA. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

THOMAS C. MCKINSEY, 33235210, 1st Sgt (then T Sgt), Hq Btry, 315th FA Battalion, United States Army. For the period 6 August 1944, to 8 May 1945, in FRANCE, LUXEMBOURG, GERMANY, and AUSTRIA. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

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