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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (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 Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded the following named personnel:

MERL W. BLOCKER, 35632467, Tec 5, MD, 313th FA Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in FRANCE on 18 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near HOLACOURT, FRANCE, when enemy fire set an ammunition pit afire, Tec 5 BLOCKER, Battery Aid Man, with utter disregard for personal safety, and despite enemy fire, jumped into the pit and succeeded in extinguishing the blaze and saved vital ammunition and possible averted injury to men and equipment. Tec 5 BLOCKER'S courage and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from OHIO.

ANTHONY T. MERCURI, 33348105, 1st Sgt (then S Sgt), Btry B, 313th FA Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 27 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near WILTZ, LUXEMBOURG, during severe enemy counter-battery fire, a member of 1st Sgt MERCURI'S section was badly wounded. Voluntarily, he advanced through the hazardous area to aid and evacuate his wounded comrade despite the increasing intensity of hostile fire. The courage, thoughtfulness, and sincere devotion to duty displayed by 1st Sgt MERCURI exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

FRANK J. NABOZNY, 33279092, Tec 4 (then Tec 5), MD, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in FRANCE on 6 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near TOUL, FRANCE, when a comrade was wounded in an exposed and hazardous position, Tec 4 NABOZNY, an aid man, voluntarily went to his aid. Advancing through severe hostile fire, he reached his companion, and despite a painful wound remained with the casualty for the rest of the night. Tec 4 NABOZNY'S courage and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

Co. ✓ RALPH B. SESSOMS, JR., 025092, Capt, Infantry, 318th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 2 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At KASSEL, GERMANY, when a fierce enemy attack threatened to overrun the battalion command

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post, Capt SESSOMS maneuvered his platoon to its defense. For three hours under intense hostile fire he directed and inspired his men in the successful repulse of the enemy troops. Capt SESSOMS' courageous leadership and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from GEORGIA.

CHARLES G. SUPER, JR., 33320480, Tec 5, 80th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 1 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At DIEKIRCH, LUXEMBOURG, Tec 5 SUPER heard shots being fired from a house fifty yards away. With disregard for personal safety, he advanced over exposed terrain to the building and captured what proved to be an enemy sniper. Tec 5 SUPER'S initiative, alertness, courage, and devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (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 Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded the following named personnel for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

VERNON F. KULLOWATZ, 0531806, Chaplain (Capt), 319th Infantry (then Special Troops, 80th Infantry Division), United States Army. For the period 7 August 1944, to 7 February 1945, in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG. Entered military service from OREGON.

MAURICE M. MITCHELL, 0122871, Lt Col, Ord Dept, 780th Ordnance LM Company, United States Army. For the period 24 November 1944, to 8 May 1945, in FRANCE, LUXEMBOURG, GERMANY, and AUSTRIA. Entered military service from CALIFORNIA.

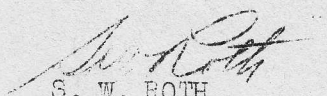
RICHARD A. WILMER, 0375681, Capt, FA, 314th FA Battalion, United States Army. For the period 9 April 1945, to 8 May 1945, in GERMANY. Entered military service from OHIO.

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V. 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:

JOHN SAKAL, 33253658, Pfc, Co C, 305th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 7 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At the hazardous Our River crossing and the assault on the Siegfried Line, Pfc SAKAL displayed heroism and disregard for personal safety. Despite severe hostile fire he continued to ferry troops across the swollen river and evacuate wounded comrades on the return trip. Pfc SAKAL'S courage and perseverance contributed immeasurably to the successful assault and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

JOHN L. STONEHOUSE, 33205078, Pfc, Co B, 305th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 22 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near ETTELBRUCK, LUXEMBOURG, Pfc STONEHOUSE, with utter disregard for personal safety, volunteered to drive his ambulance on a mission to evacuate casualties from a disabled tank. Wilfully exposing himself to severe enemy small arms and artillery fire, he successfully completed his self assigned mission. Pfc STONEHOUSE'S courage and sincere devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from MARYLAND.

✓ JOHN C. WARD, 35166036, T Sgt, Co G, 318th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 10 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While attacking SCHMIRA, GERMANY, the forward elements of a rifle company were temporarily delayed by fierce enemy fire. T Sgt WARD, reserve platoon leader, on his own initiative encircled the enemy and led a fierce charge that took the enemy by surprise, destroyed their positions, killed thirty, and captured forty of the hostile troops. T Sgt WARD'S aggressiveness and courageous leadership exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from INDIANA.

VI. 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 and bronze Oak Leaf Cluster previously awarded, a second bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded the following named personnel for wounds received as a result of enemy action in countries and on dates indicated:

RANK AND NAME	ASN	ARM OR SERVICE	COUNTRY	DATE
Sgt Leslie G. Hill	37615116	Inf	France	14 Sep 44
1st Sgt Fred E. Mikolowsky Jr	33278063	Inf	France	28 Sep 44
Pfc Edward S. Kelchner	32945428	Inf	Germany	12 Feb 45

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VII. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART (OAK LEAF CLUSTER): By direction of _____ 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 the following named personnel for wounds received as a result of enemy action in countries and on dates indicated:

<u>RANK AND NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ARM OR SERVICE</u>	<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>DATE</u>
2D LT JAMES R. SINNOTT	01319973	Inf	France	14 Sep 44
Pfc Donald Brigham	36823217	Inf	France	26 Sep 44
S Sgt Gordon L. Sale	34243038	Inf	France	28 Sep 44
Tec 4 William T. Kenney	33722593	MD	France	7 Nov 44
S Sgt Edward J. Traynor	35677479	Inf	France	11 Nov 44
Tec 4 Maynard F. Harris	33530445	MD	Belgium	26 Dec 44
Pfc Chester C. Mantolesky	31455679	Inf	Luxembourg	11 Jan 45
Pfc Jack F. Bivens	34997032	Inf	Germany	8 Feb 45
Pfc Bede B. Miller	33252538	Inf	Germany	10 Feb 45
S Sgt John J. McNiff	31455985	Inf	Germany	16 Mar 45
Tec 5 Stephen Janda	13100436	MD	Germany	17 Mar 45
S Sgt John P. Morrison	35388431	Inf	Germany	2 Apr 45
Sgt Robert J. McLean	32614007	Inf	Germany	10 Apr 45
S Sgt Cecil J. Polly	35463304	Inf	Germany	10 Apr 45


VIII. 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 countries and on dates indicated:

Tec 5 G. D. Hicks	34334729	Inf	France	13 Sep 44
Tec 5 Walter G. Rushton	35358856	Inf	France	13 Sep 44
Pfc Darrell L. Rose	16108576	Inf	France	13 Sep 44
Tec 4 Harry W. Colvin, Jr	13129173	Inf	France	13 Sep 44
Tec 5 Francis J. Redar	35359276	Inf	France	14 Sep 44
Pfc Archie Flook	33278050	Inf	France	21 Sep 44
1st Sgt Eli J. Miller	35331014	Inf	France	23 Sep 44
Tec 5 Joseph C. Billowitch	33185946	Inf	France	24 Sep 44
S Sgt Rudolph J. Matthews	31352746	Inf	France	27 Sep 44
Pvt Richard D. Wright	39210048	Inf	France	10 Oct 44
S Sgt Harold W. Moore	35386998	Inf	France	13 Oct 44
Pfc Stanley J. Dembowski	33302096	Inf	France	25 Oct 44
Pfc Eugene G. Seckman	35503335	Inf	France	9 Nov 44
Pfc Wallace B. Walls	33253684	Inf	France	9 Nov 44
Pfc Robert A. Miller	33304796	Inf	France	25 Nov 44
Tec 4 Stephen G. Germak	13100303	Inf	France	2 Dec 44
Tec 4 James H. Lewis	33320505	QMC	France	3 Dec 44
Tec 4 Raymond E. Fouist	33348002	Inf	Belgium	26 Dec 44
Pvt Sarto A. Dube	31426540	Inf	Belgium	26 Dec 44
Pfc Victor M. Massaro	12153453	Inf	Belgium	27 Dec 44

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