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- VIII - Award of Purple Heart.

I. 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:

✓ MARVIN C. BANDY, 35089534, Pfc, Co C, 318th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 13 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At ERFURT, GERMANY, when his company was temporarily delayed by enemy fire and the lead scout severely wounded, Pfc BANDY voluntarily went to his aid. Advancing through hostile concentrations, he extinguished a phosphorous grenade attached to his comrade's belt and despite painful burns, dragged the casualty to safety. Pfc BANDY'S thoughtfulness, courage, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from KENTUCKY.

WILLIAM H. COLE, 36819633, Sgt, Hq Co 1st Bn, 317th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 15 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near WALDHORZBACH, GERMANY, communication lines were severed somewhere in a heavily wooded area which was occupied by by-passed hostile forces. Sgt COLE, a wire chief, immediately volunteered and entered the woods alone to seek and repair the broken wire and maintain vital communications. Sgt COLE'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 WISCONSIN.

✓ GEORGE F. DAILEY, 35358865, S Sgt, Hq Co 1st Bn, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 8 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At the hazardous Our River crossing and assault on the Siegfried Line, S Sgt DAILEY heroically led his squad in carrying supplies. Despite hazardous and exposed terrain, severe hostile fire, and inclement weather, he inspired and encouraged his men to overcome many obstacles to deliver the critically needed supplies. S Sgt DAILEY'S leadership and courage exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from INDIANA.

WARREN C. EBERHARDT, 36252294, Tec 4, 80th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For heroic achievement in FRANCE on 25 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At the Moselle River crossing, Tec 4 EBERHARDT, a messenger, delivered important and urgent messages despite the intense artillery concentrations falling near him. Observing some wounded comrades exposed to this danger, he dismounted and carried them to

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safety. The courageous efforts, persistence and sincere devotion to duty displayed by Tec 4 EBERHARDT exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from WISCONSIN.

✓ WALTER H. HAFERMEHL, 37729364, Pfc, Hq Co 1st Bn, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 24 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During a fierce enemy attack at HEIDERSCHEID, LUXEMBOURG, wire lines were constantly being severed. Pfc HAFERMEHL, a lineman, with utter disregard for safety, braved severe hostile fire despite a painful wound to repair the broken lines and maintain vital communications so urgent for successful operations. Pfc HAFERMEHL'S aggressiveness, courage, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from KANSAS.

CLIFTON B. HARRIS, 38676063, Pfc (then Pvt), Co E, 317th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in FRANCE, LUXEMBOURG, GERMANY, and AUSTRIA from 26 November 1944, to 8 May 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During this period Pfc HARRIS performed his duties as Messenger in an exemplary and heroic manner. Despite exposed and hazardous terrain, intense hostile concentrations of artillery, Pfc HARRIS has, with utter disregard for safety, persisted in his efforts to deliver many important messages, and has contributed immeasurably to his company's success. His courage and sincere devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from TEXAS.

JOHN W. HENN, 42089095, Sgt (then Pfc), Hq Co 1st Bn, 317th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in FRANCE on 23 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During a night reconnaissance patrol near CREHANGE, FRANCE, automatic weapons fire from a well placed road block delayed the patrol. With utter disregard for safety, and in the face of hostile fire, Sgt HENN courageously formed and led a flanking movement to destroy the enemy position. Sgt HENN'S leadership, courage, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from NEW JERSEY.

✓ JOHN H. MORRISETTE, 20360310, T Sgt, Co B, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 9 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While assaulting the Siegfried Line, T Sgt MORRISETTE'S platoon was to capture high ground and deprive the enemy of observation. When the platoon sergeant became a casualty T Sgt MORRISETTE assumed command and courageously led his men to attack through intense hostile fire and drive the enemy from their stronghold. The leadership, courage, and devotion to duty displayed by T Sgt MORRISETTE exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from VIRGINIA.

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II. 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:

✓ CHARLES M. O'BRIEN, 32632307, Cpl, Co C, 305th Engr Bn, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 7 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Despite enemy shell fire near BETTEL, LUXEMBOURG, Cpl O'BRIEN, an assistant squad leader, persisted in clearing mines from a road, and reorganized his dispersed squad. When shell fire again drove his men to cover he remained at his task and inspired his men to clear the road and open a strategic route of approach. Cpl O'BRIEN'S courage and leadership exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from NEW YORK.

✓ LEONARD D. OWEN, 37479910, Sgt, Co A, 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 an assaulting company was temporarily delayed and subjected to severe enemy fire. With disregard for personal safety Sgt OWEN charged through enemy fire to the head of his company where he fired so effectively on the hostile troops that he killed forty, captured forty, and permitted his company to reform. His initiative and courage are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from NEBRASKA.

TOLLIVER F. PAYNE, 34987037, Pfc, Co D, 317th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 26 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near SCHIEDEL, LUXEMBOURG, Pfc PAYNE learned that a soldier from another company was wounded and was exposed to severe enemy fire. On his own initiative, Pfc PAYNE, voluntarily and with disregard for safety, advanced through hostile artillery concentrations to aid and evacuate his comrade over the same hazardous route. Pfc PAYNE'S thoughtfulness, courage, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from TENNESSEE.

✓ DILLARD PHARR, 34998933, Pfc, Co C, 318th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in AUSTRIA on 5 May 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At RANSHOFEN, AUSTRIA, Pfc PHARR advanced over 300 yards of exposed and hazardous terrain to capture two enemy soldiers and learn from them the location of other hostile positions. Again he defied enemy guns to advance 700 yards more and capture 37 prisoners and their equipment. Pfc PHARR'S aggressiveness and courage eliminated a serious threat to his company and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from ALABAMA.

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✓ HARRY S. PIKULIK, 36825910, Pfc. (then Pvt) Hq Co 1st Bn 319 Inf, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 9 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At the hazardous Our River crossing, Pfc PIKULIK courageously braved intense concentrations of enemy mortar, artillery, and small arms fire to supply assaulting troops with supplies. For three days, with little or no rest, he persisted at his dangerous and important task until wounded. Pfc. PIKULIK'S outstanding courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from WISCONSIN.

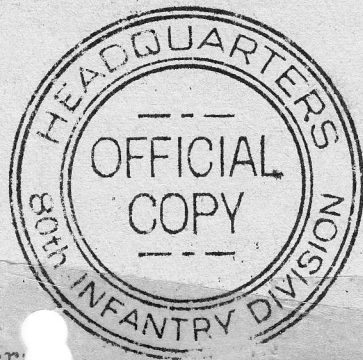
CLYDE L. PURDY, 35502237, Pfc, Co I 319 Inf, United States Army. For heroic achievement in FRANCE on 1 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near LETRICOURT, FRANCE, an enemy overpowered Pfc. PURDY'S comrade in hand to hand combat. As he was about to kill the American soldier, Pfc PURDY, charged through a screen of enemy machine gun fire and in one lunge with his bayonet, killed the enemy and saved his companion's life. Pfc. PURDY'S alertness, courage, and thoughtfulness for his comrade are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from KENTUCKY.

PAUL F RAY, 33213207, Tec 5 (then Pfc), Sv Co 319 Inf., United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 9 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At the hazardous Our River crossing and assault on the Siegfried Line, Tec 5 RAY volunteered to deliver ammunition to the bridgehead. After fusing the ammunition, he drove through severe hostile fire and after reaching his destination, disregarded the additional dangers to help unload the munitions. Tec 5 RAY'S courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from VIRGINIA.

✓ GEORGE R. SILLIMAN, 15305915, Sgt., (then Cpl) Co C 319 Inf, United States Army. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 6 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Moving into GOESDORF, LUXEMBOURG with assault troops, Sgt. SILLIMAN was securing a forward Regimental Command Post when enemy snipers harassed his movements. With disregard for personal safety, he employed two riflemen to fire cover as he disregarded enemy fire and mines to surprise and capture the snipers. Sgt. SILLIMAN'S courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from KENTUCKY.

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