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SECTION

I thru IV - Award of Bronze Star Medal.

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:

JED S. BLAKE, 39843592, S Sgt., Co D, 317th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in FRANCE on 13 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near BEAZAUMONT, FRANCE, wire communications were cut during a fierce enemy attack. Realizing the importance of contact with headquarters, S Sgt BLAKE exposed himself to severe artillery and tank fire to repair the wires, and contributed immeasurably in repulsing the hostile forces. S Sgt BLAKE's courage and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from CALIFORNIA.

H/9 OWEN S. CANTER, 35434954, Pfc, Hq Co, 2d Bn, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 22 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While carrying supplies to a surrounded company in OBERGECHLER, GERMANY, Pfc CANTER's party was delayed by severe enemy machine gun fire. With disregard for personal safety, he moved to the flank, drew fire on himself, and allowed the party to enter the town unharmed. Pfc CANTER's courage, aggressiveness, and devotion are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from OHIO.

HOWARD M. CARTE, 35434434, 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. At SCHIDEL, LUXEMBOURG, Pfc CARTE volunteered to carry hot food to battle weary comrades. Upon arriving at the designated place, he found no carrying party. With disregard for personal safety, he drove over exposed terrain through intense fire, to deliver the food on the front line. Pfc CARTE's courage, thoughtfulness, and devotion are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from WEST VIRGINIA.

H/7 JAMES W. CATHERS, 35114480, Pfc, Co H, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 22 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At OBERGECHLER, GERMANY, when Pfc CATHER's platoon was surrounded and had no munitions, he volunteered to deliver the supplies. With disregard for personal safety, he infiltrated the hostile lines, driving over exposed fields and through severe barrages, and delivered the vital ammunition. Pfc CATHER's courage, perseverance, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from KENTUCKY.

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✓ HARRY C. COOPER, 36977992, Sgt, Co A, 318th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 13 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During a severe enemy counterattack at NIEDERZERFEN, GERMANY, Sgt COOPER's company was halted, widely dispersed, and disorganized. With disregard for personal safety, he charged about through enemy fire to contact his comrades, re-form ranks, continue the attack and take the objective. Sgt COOPER's courage, leadership, and aggressiveness exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from ILLINOIS.

✓ JAMES C. DIRICKSON, 38565858, Tec 5 (then Pfc), MD, 318th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in FRANCE on 4 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At KOCHERN, FRANCE, severe enemy fire wounded all aid men and many riflemen of an infantry company. Tec 5 DIRICKSON aided all men in his platoon and then crawled over 100 yards under the increasing enemy fire to aid riflemen in forward positions. Tec 5 DIRICKSON's heroic action and devotion to duty saved many of his comrades' lives and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from OKLAHOMA.

JACK A. GALLOWAY, 19059899, Sgt (then Pfc), Co D, 317th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 25 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During a fierce enemy attack near SCHIDEL, LUXEMBOURG, a rifle company was forced to move to a more advantageous position and a machine gun was abandoned. Sgt GALLOWAY immediately exposed himself to severe enemy fire, infiltrated enemy lines, and returned with the gun to add fire power to his company. Sgt GALLOWAY's courage and devotion are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from WASHINGTON.


HAROLD GREEN, 32525096, Pfc, Hq Co, 317th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 13 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At OBER ZERF, GERMANY, Pfc GREEN distinguished himself by his courageous performance of duty as lineman. Despite the severe enemy barrages, he displayed a complete disregard for personal safety to maintain vital wire communications so paramount to successful operations. The courage, perseverance, and devotion to duty displayed by Pfc GREEN exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from NEW YORK.

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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:

EDWARD W. KOCH, 37138585, S Sgt, Co E, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in FRANCE on 11 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near CHEMERY, FRANCE, hostile barrages temporarily delayed S Sgt KOCH's company and inflicted severe casualties. With disregard for personal safety, he ran and crawled over 1500 yards through the increasingly intense enemy fire to give fire directions to a heavy weapons company. S Sgt KOCH's courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from MISSOURI.

JACK H. GOULD, 36511378, Tec 4 (then Cpl), Sv Co, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in FRANCE on 10 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near NOMENY, FRANCE, Tec 4 GOULD volunteered to deliver a vital message to a battalion command post prior to a contemplated attack. With disregard for personal safety, he drove over exposed terrain, through hostile barrages, to complete his mission and contribute immeasurably to the battalion's success. Tec 4 GOULD's courage and aggressiveness exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from MICHIGAN.

MELVIN LOTKA, 33336004, Tec 4, Hq Co, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 10 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While operating a forward command post at the Our River crossing Tec 4 LOTKA, disregarding personal safety, exposed himself to severe fire to carry wounded comrades to safety. As barrages increased, and a new post was necessitated, he again exposed himself to move valuable equipment. Tec 4 LOTKA's courage and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

JACK P. OSBORNE, 33321214, S Sgt, Co B, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY from 8 February 1945, to 10 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At the hazardous Our River crossing, S Sgt OSBORNE distinguished himself by outstanding performance of his duties as supply sergeant. For two days, under heavy enemy barrages, he directed the movement of vital supplies across the swollen river, and evacuated over 200 casualties on return trips. S Sgt OSBORNE's courage and aggressiveness exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from NORTH CAROLINA.

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WILLIAM E. RENO, 39593494, Pfc, Co E, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 7 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. In the vicinity of HOESDORF, GERMANY, Pfc RENO observed a seriously wounded soldier who needed immediate evacuation. With disregard for personal safety, he carried the casualty through severe enemy fire, at times shielding him with his own body, until he reached an aid station. Pfc RENO's courage, thoughtfulness, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from CALIFORNIA.

DONALD W. ROBINSON, 36879448, Pfc, Hq Co, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 5 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While occupying an outpost near NIEDERKAUFEN, GERMANY, Pfc ROBINSON observed a rifle company advancing into a tank ambush. With disregard for personal safety, he immediately started off across open terrain, through severe fire, to obtain tank destroyer aid which saved the company. Pfc ROBINSON's courage, thoughtfulness and devotion are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from MICHIGAN.

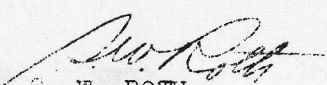
ROBERT G. ROISLER, 36993682, Sgt, Co D, 317th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 15 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. After the taking of a strategic hill near GREIMERATH, GERMANY, the enemy launched a fierce attack on Sgt ROISLER's position to regain it. With disregard for personal safety, he exposed himself to severe fire from tanks and infantrymen in order to control and inspire his men in repelling the attack. Sgt ROISLER's courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from WISCONSIN.

RALPH RUNYON, 35434900, Tec 5, Hq Co, 2d Bn, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 12 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At the hazardous Our River crossing, Tec 5 RUNYON, a messenger, volunteered for duty at the crossing site. Under severe mortar and artillery fire, he aided in the steady flow of supplies and the swift evacuation of wounded comrades. Tec 5 RUNYON's courage under fire, initiative, and sincere devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from KENTUCKY.

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III. 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:

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GEORGE J. SALPAS, 32684016, Pfc, Co B, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 6 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. After participating in the attack on GOESDORF, LUXEMBOURG, Pfc SALPAS was painfully wounded while preparing a defensive position. On his way to the aid station, he observed a sniper, exposed himself to the enemy, and fired on and captured him, despite severe pain. Pfc SALPAS' courage, aggressiveness, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from NEW YORK.

GEORGE SAMUELS, 0556931, 2d Lt, Inf, 317th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 27 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. After Lt SAMUELS had led a platoon in a successful attack on NEIDHAUSEN, LUXEMBOURG, the enemy launched a fierce assault on his position. With disregard for personal safety, he moved about under severe fire to inspire and direct his men in repulsing and inflicting losses on the enemy. Lt SAMUELS' courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from DELAWARE.

✓ JOSEPH M. SANTORO, 42084907, S Sgt (then Pfc), Hq Co, 2d Bn (then Co E), 318th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 21 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near BOURCHEID, LUXEMBOURG, S Sgt SANTORO's company was temporarily delayed and subjected to severe enemy fire. With disregard for personal safety, he crawled over exposed terrain to a position from which he directed mortar fire on the hostile positions despite heavy fire directed at him. S Sgt SANTORO's courage and devotion exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from NEW JERSEY.

L JACOB SHERMAN, 12034063, Cpl, Co L, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 14 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At GERA, GERMANY, when his company advanced to a hilly, wooded sector within the city held by heavily armed Germans, Cpl SHERMAN volunteered to proceed alone and seek the enemies' surrender. Through his audacious action and the successful accomplishment of his mission, a costly fight was avoided. Cpl SHERMAN's courage and initiative reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from NEW JERSEY.

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IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 300-45, 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:

JOSEPH ALBERT, 33185430, Cpl, 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.

HOWARD J. ALLISON, 33294493, S Sgt (then Tec 4), 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.

WILLIAM O. CHANDLER, 18125020, Tec 5, Hq Btry, 315th FA Battalion, United States Army. For the period 8 August 1944, to 8 May 1945, in FRANCE, LUXEMBOURG, GERMANY, and AUSTRIA. Entered military service from TEXAS.

BILLY W. DISHON, 37211768, Tec 4 (then Pfc), Hq Btry, 315th FA Battalion, United States Army. For the period 7 August 1944, to 8 May 1945, in FRANCE, LUXEMBOURG, GERMANY, and AUSTRIA. Entered military service from MISSOURI.

WILLIAM A. FARRIMOND, 38277921, Pfc, Hq Btry, 315th FA Battalion, United States Army. For the period 24 August 1944, to 8 May 1945, in FRANCE, LUXEMBOURG, GERMANY, and AUSTRIA. Entered military service from OKLAHOMA.


LOUIS OVARDITS, 35918260, Sgt (then Tec 5), Hq Btry, 315th FA Battalion, United States Army. For the period 8 August 1944, to 8 May 1945, in FRANCE, LUXEMBOURG, GERMANY, and AUSTRIA. Entered military service from OHIO.

MILTON G. RICHARDSON, 35407940, Tec 5, 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 OHIO.

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