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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:

WILLIAM M. BUTLER, 14129585, Tec 5, Co A, 305th Engr Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in FRANCE on 22 August 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At ARGENTAN, FRANCE, Tec 5 BUTLER volunteered to clear an enemy ammunition dump of mines and booby traps. Realizing that one mistake would cost his life, he disregarded personal safety and exhibited precise skill in disarming each explosive charge, earning the praise of his comrades. Tec 5 BUTLER's bravery and skill reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from GEORGIA.

CHESTER T. COLLINS, 36882803, Pfc, Co A, 305th Engr Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 23 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near MAINZ, GERMANY, while on a reconnaissance mission prior to the assault crossing of the Rhine River, Pfc COLLINS discovered an enemy mine field. Disregarding personal safety, he subjected himself to enemy observation and fire to disarm mines and study the pattern of the field for information on future operations. Pfc COLLINS' courage and resourcefulness are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from MICHIGAN.

AUGUST FELDT, 36511761, Tec 5, MD, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in FRANCE on 14 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near POMPEY, FRANCE, Tec 5 FELDT observed a wounded comrade lying well forward of friendly lines. Immediately, and with disregard for personal safety, he led his litter squad forward, through severe small arms and mortar fire, to successfully evacuate the wounded man. Tec 5 FELDT's courage, outstanding leadership, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from MICHIGAN.

RAYMOND E. FOUST, 33348002, S Sgt, Sv Co, 318th 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. In the vicinity of DIEULOUARD, FRANCE, a fierce enemy attack overran the regimental command post. S Sgt FOUST, a clerk, with disregard for personal safety, ran over exposed terrain, through concentrated artillery and automatic weapons fire, to guide friendly tanks into position to repulse the attack. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by S Sgt FOUST exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

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LOUIS GUMBAREVIC, 35385821, Pfc, Co B, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in FRANCE on 28 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At MORVILLE SUR SEILLE, FRANCE, Pfc GUMBAREVIC volunteered to lead a patrol under enemy observation and fire to destroy a hostile observation post. Even though seriously wounded, he deployed his men with such ability that the mission was completed and the hostile post destroyed. Pfc GUMBAREVIC's courage, outstanding leadership and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from OHIO.

ROBERT E. HAK, 36698142, Pfc, Co B, 305th Engr Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 10 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. In the vicinity of DILLINGEN, LUXEMBOURG, Pfc HAK volunteered to make a reconnaissance of the Siegfried Line. After crossing the hazardous Sauer River, he exposed himself to the enemy to locate minefields and to obtain accurate measurements of a destroyed bridge and other information for future operations. Pfc HAK's courage, skill, and devotion exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from ILLINOIS.

GUY LANG, 33301348, Pfc, Co L, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 11 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. After completing an assigned mission of clearing two houses at UTZBERG, GERMANY, Pfc LANG voluntarily attacked another building. With disregard for personal safety, he charged over fifty yards of exposed terrain, under severe fire, to engage the enemy in a fierce battle resulting in the capture of 8 prisoners. Pfc LANG's courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

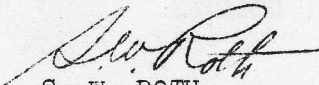
WILLIAM M. LOVE, 34818384, Pfc, Co C, 305th Engr Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 20 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At the hazardous Our River crossing, Pfc LOVE was engaged in ferrying infantry troops. He continued his mission despite the increasing intensity of the enemy fire, ignoring shells which were landing dangerously close. His calmness and fortitude were instrumental in the successful operation. Pfc LOVE's courage and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from ALABAMA.

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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:

MICHAEL V. MATTIA, 33335322, Tec 5, Co B, 305th Engr Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 20 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near HOMMENDINGEN, GERMANY, Tec 5 MATTIA volunteered for the dangerous mission of clearing an important road. Under enemy observation and fire, he cleared the road and opened a route for communications, evacuation of casualties, and delivery of vital supplies. Tec 5 MATTIA's courage, skill, and sincere devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

FRANCIS J. McSURDY, 33368294, Pfc, Co B, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in FRANCE on 28 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During a fierce enemy attack at MORVILLE SUR SEILLE, FRANCE, fire was so intense that mortar gunners could not obtain ammunition. With disregard for personal safety, Pfc McSURDY exposed himself to the severe fire carrying twice the normal load of mortar rounds. On his fourth trip he was seriously wounded. Pfc McSURDY's courage and devotion are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

RUDOLFO MOYA, 38460139, Pfc, Co K, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 3 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack on VOLLMARS-HAUSEN, GERMANY, Pfc MOYA observed that two of his comrades were missing. Immediately, he recrossed exposed and hazardous terrain, under severe enemy fire, found his wounded comrades and evacuated them. Pfc MOYA's courage and thoughtfulness saved the men's lives and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from TEXAS.

JAMES A. RAY, 34354210, Tec 4 (then Pfc), Hq Co, 1st Bn, 317th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in FRANCE, LUXEMBOURG, GERMANY, and AUSTRIA from 6 August 1944, to 8 May 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During this period, Tec 4 RAY performed his duties as cook in an exemplary manner. Despite the hazards of combat conditions, he braved exposed and dangerous terrain to deliver hot meals to his comrades. Tec 4 RAY's tireless efforts, courage, and devotion contributed immeasurably to the high morale of his unit and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from GEORGIA.

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ARTHUR I. ROWELL, 38209542, Tec 5, Hq & Sv Co, 305th Engr Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 13 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Prior to the assault crossing of the Sauer River, Tec 5 ROWELL, a driver, delivered bridge equipment to the crossing site through severe enemy barrages so that engineer troops could construct the vitally needed bridge. Later, he delivered supplies to speed the advance of forward troops. Tec 5 ROWELL's courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from ARKANSAS.

NORRIS A. SANSBURY, 33203947, Sgt Co B, 305th Engr Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 18 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. With disregard for personal safety, Sgt SANSBURY volunteered to clear a road so that casualties could be evacuated. Despite enemy action, and working in darkness, he cleared the road of many mines, surprised and captured 27 enemy prisoners, and provided a route of evacuation for wounded comrades. Sgt SANSBURY's courage, skill, and thoughtfulness exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from MARYLAND.

III. AWARD OF MEDICAL BADGE: Under the provisions of Circular 229, War Department, dated 28 July 1945, the Medical Badge is awarded the following named personnel effective on dates indicated for satisfactory performance of duty with the infantry in connection with ground combat against an enemy of the United States:

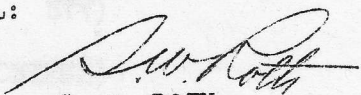
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CAPT CHARLES C. STAUFFER	0424205 MC DHQ	15 Nov 44
1ST LT HOLLAND C. ADKISSON	02049163 MAC 305th Med Bn	16 Nov 44
1ST LT FRED F. ALEXANDER	01542554 MAC 305th Med Bn	7 Apr 45

IV. 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 PFC ROBERT D. KASHEY, 39700784, Hq Co, 2d Bn, 317th Infantry, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in FRANCE, on 15 November 1944.

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