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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR (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:

K-319 Rufus L. Autry, Jr, 20403316, T Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 22 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack on Merzig, Luxembourg, on 22 December 1944, T Sgt Autry, Weapons Platoon Sergeant, was actively engaged in directing the fire of his mortar section. As the attack progressed, one rifle platoon was temporarily halted by machine gun counter-fire. Realizing the gravity of the situation, T Sgt Autry located the enemy positions and personally acting as mortar gunner, he brought such effective fire to bear on the enemy that they were completely routed. He then deployed his section so as to deny all escape routes and over two hundred of the enemy were later forced to surrender. The aggressive leadership, initiative, and constant devotion to duty displayed by T Sgt Autry are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Georgia. *22 DEC*

H-319 LEWIS T. KALIL, 01304739, Capt (then 1st Lt), Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 24 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 24 December 1944, during an enemy counterattack against Heiderscheid, Luxembourg, Lt Kalil, after organizing the headquarters personnel of two companies into defensive units, personally manned a .50 caliber machine gun and effectively fired into the advancing enemy. Lt Kalil's aggressiveness, courage, and leadership were directly responsible for the rout of the enemy and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Connecticut. *24 DEC*

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR: 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:

Hg 2-319 John W. Askew, 33247633, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 10 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While serving as driver of a *10 OCT*

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one quarter ton truck on 10 October 1944, Pfc Askew voluntarily evacuated several wounded soldiers during heavy enemy action at Bois de Haut des Trappes, France. With utter disregard for his own safety Pfc Askew proceeded through a barrage of German artillery fire and successfully removed his comrades from the zone of danger. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Askew exemplify the finest ideals of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

I James H. Bridges, 34609952, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 18 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 18 January 1945, during the assault against Nocher, Luxembourg, Sgt Bridges advanced cautiously through heavy enemy small arms and mortar fire. On hearing a wounded soldier pleading for assistance, Sgt Bridges moved into the face of severe small arms fire and, with utter disregard for his own safety, worked his way to the injured man and, after carrying him to a foxhole, administered first aid. Sgt Bridges' courage and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from South Carolina. 18 JAN

CoA George W. Burnsed, Jr, 34922746, Pvt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 11 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While serving as a platoon runner during an attack near Riesdorf, Germany, on 11 February 1945, Pvt Burnsed was painfully wounded. Realizing that the platoon leader was controlling two platoons with few non-commissioned officers to help, Pvt Burnsed volunteered to continue with his work in spite of the platoon leader's insistence that he be evacuated. Only after carrying messages throughout the duration of the attack did he report for medical aid. Pvt Burnsed's courage, initiative, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Florida. 11 Feb

COM B Walter Czarniawski, 32854515, Pfc, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 11 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While serving as a medical aid man with infantry troops on 11 February 1945, near Bollendorf, Germany, Pfc Czarniawski proceeded across an enemy mine field to successfully render assistance to eight seriously wounded comrades. Despite the intense concentration of German artillery fire and the hazards of the immediate area, Pfc Czarniawski loyally performed his duties until he was severely injured by an exploding mine. The bravery, initiative, and sincere devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Czarniawski are commensurate with the finest ideals of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York. 11 Feb

IC-319 Wiley F. Duke, 38651186, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 23 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 23 December 1944, while attacking Merzig, Luxembourg, Sgt Duke, an assistant squad leader, observed that the wounded men of a squad which had temporarily withdrawn were lying subjected to enemy fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, Sgt Duke and a companion ran into the exposed field to carry the men to safety. Sgt Duke's courage, initiative, and devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Louisiana. 23 Dec

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K-319 Elwood C. Dukeman, Jr, 33806961, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 23 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 23 December 1944, while attacking Merzig, Luxembourg, S Sgt Dukeman, a squad leader in the leading platoon, observed that the adjacent squad was delayed by heavy enemy machine gun fire. Quickly analyzing the situation he maneuvered his squad so that, under cover of its fire, the other squad could withdraw. S Sgt Dukeman, with another man, repeatedly exposed himself to enemy weapons by running to and evacuating the wounded men who remained exposed to the hostile fire. S Sgt Dukeman's courage, leadership, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania. 23 DEC

L-319 Edward W. Ebert, 37553139, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 9 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During a counterattack near Dahl, Luxembourg, on 9 January 1945, Pfc Ebert, an automatic rifleman, observed three enemy soldiers attempting to infiltrate the American lines. When he attempted to fire he found his weapon frozen but, disregarding the handicap, he personally assaulted the enemy and captured them. Pfc Ebert's courage prevented the enemy from establishing a breach in the defense and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Minnesota. 9 JAN

H-319 Grier H. Elgin, 6864386, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France during the period 9 - 13 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the action at Bois de Haut des Trappes, France, during the period 9 - 13 October 1944, Pfc Elgin constantly volunteered and repaired frequent breaks in the vital lines of communication despite the hazards of enemy artillery fire. On one occasion, during this period, Pfc Elgin, with utter disregard for his own safety, proceeded alone to repair important wire lines and, although exposed for several hours to ten barrages of German artillery, he succeeded in his mission. The bravery, initiative, and loyal devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Elgin exemplify the highest ideals of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas. 9-13 OCT

E-319 Stanley W. Godish, 33774567, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 29 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 29 December 1944, when a persistent enemy force succeeded in surrounding the squad of which Sgt Godish was assistant squad leader, he volunteered to infiltrate a group through the enemy to reach the adjacent platoon. By aggressive action he succeeded in his mission and with the platoon led his men to inflict heavy casualties on the enemy and relieve his embattled fellow soldiers. Sgt Godish's courage, aggressiveness, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania. 29 DEC

L-319 Richard C. Jones, 35435740, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 27 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 27 November 1944, after the company had captured its objective near St Avold, France, Sgt Jones, a 27 NOV

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mortar squad leader, was effectively firing his gun at the retreating foe when a large enemy shell landed behind his mortar position, damaging the weapon and wounding most of the crew, including Sgt Jones. In spite of the intense pain he assisted in evacuating all of the wounded in the vicinity, only accepting aid for his own injuries after all others were evacuated. Sgt Jones' courage and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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K. CURTIS C. GRAHAM, 0449945, 1st Lt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 28 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 28 September 1944, Lt Graham led his platoon in an attack on Port-sur-Seille, France. By his skill he maneuvered his men so that they were able to close with the enemy immediately after the barrage preceding the assault was lifted, effecting such a surprise that they captured over forty Germans and quickly completed the mission. His initiative and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from North Carolina. *28 Sep*

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C66 Victor Kapchuck, 42001486, Pvt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 11 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While waiting to be ferried across the Sauer River into Germany during the attack against the Siegfried Line on 11 February 1945, Pvt Kapchuck observed that one of the boats had capsized and that all but one occupant, a litter patient, had reached shore. Quickly running down stream ahead of the drowning soldier, he waded to midstream and, in spite of the swift current and enemy fire falling about him, carried the wounded man to safety. Pvt Kapchuck's courage, initiative, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New Jersey. *11 Feb*

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L Gaddis L. Kitchens, 34343140, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 8 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 8 January 1945, the enemy launched a pre-dawn tank attack against Dahl, Luxembourg. Sgt Kitchens, a mortar squad leader, immediately realized that unless the enemy tanks were located, tank destroyers situated in the town could not effectively combat them. Disregarding the enemy fire which his action drew, Sgt Kitchens fired illuminating flares continuously throughout the attack and enabled the tank destroyers to destroy six enemy tanks and successfully repel the attack. His courage, initiative, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Mississippi. *8 JAN*

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III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR: 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:

Faustino A. Maldonado, 37701063, Pvt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 24 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 24 December 1944, Pvt Maldonado was guarding a group of German prisoners at Heiderscheid, Luxembourg when a counterattack started with a heavy concentration of enemy artillery fire. Although painfully wounded, Pvt Maldonado continued at his post and successfully prevented the dispersion and possible escape of his charges. Pvt Maldonado's personal bravery and loyal devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Colorado. 24 DEC

Ivan B. Markham, 32731197, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 26 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack on St Avold, France, on 26 November 1944, S Sgt Markham, a platoon guide, in the absence of superior officers assumed command of his platoon and, after effecting a reorganization, led his men to the objective, which he swiftly consolidated. S Sgt Markham's initiative and leadership are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York. 26 NOV

Olan Nugent, 38518363, T Sgt (then S Sgt), Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 22 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 22 December 1944, while assaulting Merzig, Luxembourg, one of the attacking platoons was delayed by strong enemy resistance and the platoon leader was wounded. T Sgt Nugent, a squad leader, ordered the platoon to a covered position and, disregarding his officer's warning and the enemy fire, he administered first aid to the wounded men. All methods of evacuation failing, T Sgt Nugent returned to the battalion command post, obtained a tank, and, with three companions, evacuated the wounded using the tank as a shield. T Sgt Nugent's courage, leadership, resourcefulness, and devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Louisiana. 22 DEC

EDWARD P. O'CONNOR, 01823476, 1st Lt, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic service in Belgium during the period 17 - 20 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During this period Lt O'Connor distinguished himself in performing his duties in a superior manner. Completely disregarding his own safety, he readily exposed himself to intense enemy small arms, automatic weapons, anti-tank, and artillery fire to coordinate the operations of his company which inspired his men to exert

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themselves to their utmost energy. During a withdrawal he gathered together elements of disorganized convoys which made possible the safe withdrawal of one hundred fifty vehicles of friendly troops. The outstanding leadership, bravery, resourcefulness, and sincere devotion to duty displayed by Lt O'Connor are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Co D Stanley A. Palmer, 12004144, T Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 2 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. T Sgt Palmer, serving as a machine gun platoon leader in support of an infantry attack near Besslich, Germany on 2 March 1945, observed that enemy machine guns to the flank were delaying the advance. Directing the fire of the entire platoon so effectively against these positions that the enemy surrendered, T Sgt Palmer aided the attack to advance further where again a well placed gun delayed them. T Sgt Palmer personally led his platoon in advance of the rifle troops to neutralize this enemy fire. His courage, skill, and leadership are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York. 318
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Co D Howard H. Reece, 38209065, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany during the period 10 - 13 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 10 - 13 February 1945, S Sgt Reece, by skillfully directing mortar fire against the enemy emplaced in the Siegfried Line, immeasurably aided in establishing the bridgehead. Finding that after three days use the battery had become too weak to operate his radio, he proceeded under heavy fire to the supply point for a new battery and returned to again adjust fire on the enemy. His courage, initiative, and untiring devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Arkansas. 318
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Willie E. Schouweiler, 38208981, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 29 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. In Ringel, Luxembourg, on 29 December 1944, S Sgt Schouweiler and his squad, while engaged in protecting the rear of the company defense, observed an enemy company attacking the position. Coordinating his squad's fire power with that of the company's supporting weapons, S Sgt Schouweiler inflicted many casualties on the enemy who, however, managed to surround his squad. After requesting an emergency barrage on the area, S Sgt Schouweiler retrieved an automatic rifle from a wounded gunner and forced the enemy's withdrawal. His prompt action, courage, leadership, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Arkansas. 29 DEC

Roy A. Smith, 38119066, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 8 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 8 January 1945, the enemy launched a pre-dawn tank attack against Dahl, Luxembourg. Sgt Smith, a mortar squad leader, immediately realized that unless the enemy tanks were located, tank destroyers situated in the town could not effectively combat them. Disregarding the enemy fire which his action drew, Sgt Smith fired illuminating flares continuously throughout the attack and enabled the tank destroyers to destroy six enemy tanks and successfully repel the attack. His courage, initiative, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the

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armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

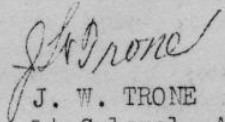
Alfreda B. Thetford, 38119107, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 26 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. When the platoon which he was supporting with his machine gun was delayed by heavy enemy fire during an attack near St Avold, France, on 26 November 1944, Pfc Thetford advanced alone to an exposed position from which he directed such effective fire on the enemy that the platoon was able to advance and seize the objective. His courage, aggressiveness, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

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IV. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: 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:

Joseph Alaica, 33305033, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France on 28 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 28 November 1944, the patrol which S Sgt Alaica led near Oberhomburg, France, received severe machine gun fire from a building which it was approaching. Ordering his men to cover his approach by fire, S Sgt Alaica fought his way into the building, capturing one commissioned and two non-commissioned officers and driving others into the open where the patrol annihilated them. By his audacious action valuable information was obtained. S Sgt Alaica's courage, aggressiveness, leadership, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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COC Saul Cantor, 42134476, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Germany on 12 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 12 February 1945, near Biesdorf, Germany, Pfc Cantor, an ammunition bearer for a machine gun crew, voluntarily and with utter disregard for his own safety, crossed exposed terrain to secure vital ammunition for his gun. After delivering a supply he again entered the field in spite of the machine gun and mortar fire and carried to safety several wounded men whom he had seen while on his previous mission. Pfc Cantor's courage, initiative, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

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Robert R. Davis, 18013724, Pfc, MD, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Luxembourg on 7 and 8 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 7 and 8 February 1945, while an infantry combat team was establishing a bridgehead across the Sauer River, the problem of evacuating the wounded was complicated by the swift current of the river and artillery and mortar fire. Pfc Davis, driving a litter equipped vehicle, volunteered to try to evacuate the wounded. During the forty eight hour period he made many trips over muddy roads and through machine gun and small arms fire. He was the first driver to get a vehicle to the site of the river crossing and his actions resulted in saving many lives. His courage, initiative, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

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Howard G. Deboard, 35462635, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Luxembourg on 25 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 25 December 1944, Pfc Deboard, an infantry company truck driver, received severe wounds in the face and arms as the result of heavy enemy artillery fire near Heiderscheid, Luxembourg. Despite his own painful condition, disregarding personal safety, he

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picked up a more gravely wounded comrade and, carrying him several hundred yards under fire to the truck, drove to the nearest aid station, thereby helping to save the life of his fellow soldier. The bravery, determination, and unselfish devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Deboard are commensurate with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Robert H. Heup, 6915276, Tec 5, MD, United States Army. For gallantry in action in Luxembourg on 6 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack on Goesdorf, Luxembourg, on 6 January 1945, two seriously wounded soldiers fell in the middle of the street, but because of the enemy fire covering the area rescue was impossible. Tec 5 Heup, an aid man, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, crawled to the men, and in turn crawled to safety carrying each man on his back. Tec 5 Heup's courage and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Wisconsin. JAN

Vernon A. Leonardi, 39619713, Pfc, MD, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Luxembourg on 18 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the action at Nocher, Luxembourg, on 18 January 1945, Pfc Leonardi, an aid man, despite painful leg wounds, administered treatment to all wounded at hand and insisted in being led to others who needed care. After he treated his own wounds under orders he continued his duties, improvised an aid station, and worked for many hours until all casualties had been evacuated. His courage and initiative are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Montana. JAN

Carl J. Rennekamp, 16072542, Tec 4, MD, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Luxembourg on 8 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the initial period of establishing a bridgehead across the Sauer River, evacuation of wounded by daylight was difficult due to concentrated fire from artillery, mortars, and small arms. Under cover of darkness, over a route that paralleled enemy lines within machine gun range, Tec 4 Rennekamp removed three seriously wounded men to safety in the first vehicle to be brought into the dangerous area. The bravery and unselfish devotion to duty displayed by Tec 4 Rennekamp exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois. FEB

Leo J. Rosolowski, 32281910, Pfc (then Pvt), MD, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Luxembourg on 8 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During an enemy counterattack against Dahl, Luxembourg, on 8 January 1945, all routes of evacuation were interdicted by hostile artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire. Pfc Rosolowski, driver of a litter equipped vehicle, realizing that prompt evacuation was necessary for the more seriously wounded, drove to an advance aid station, secured two patients, and returned safely in spite of the increased fire directed at his vehicle. Pfc Rosolowski's courage, initiative, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York. JAN

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Co E Wesley A. Schukei, 37750814, Pvt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Germany on 12 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 12 February 1945, as his company was forming for an attack near Biesdorf, Germany, an enemy counterattack developed on one flank. Pvt Schukei, an automatic rifleman, perceiving this serious threat, voluntarily took a position from which he could effectively fire on the enemy and disorganized their attack. Despite the intense fire directed at him and the lack of available aid, Pvt Schukei continued to repulse the enemy for six hours. His courage, initiative, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kansas. Feb

John E. Wolf, 33235098, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Luxembourg on 24 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At Heiderscheid, Luxembourg, on 24 December 1944, Pfc Wolf, a truck driver, had advanced with ammunition and supplies in support of his platoon during an enemy attack. A sudden withdrawal to better positions left him isolated and surrounded by enemy. Single-handedly, he fought and repulsed three enemy assaults until aid arrived and his truck and supplies were saved. Pfc Wolf's courage, aggressiveness, and devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania. DEC

V. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR, POSTHUMOUSLY: 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, posthumously, to the following named personnel:

Delacie B. Dodson, 33376278, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 26 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. After a change in the tactical situation during an attack on Moivron, France, on 26 September 1944, S Sgt Dodson voluntarily infiltrated for seventeen hundred yards back into town to retrieve an 81mm mortar that had been left after a hasty withdrawal. Returning to friendly lines with the heavy weapon, he was subjected to direct fire of enemy artillery and small arms, but, undaunted, he continued until his mission was accomplished. S Sgt Dodson's courage, initiative, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Maryland. Sep

VI. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR (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:

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MICHAEL N. MIKETANIC, 0540035, 2d Lt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 7 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 7 January 1945, near Dahl, Luxembourg, the command post of the company in which Lt Miketanic was serving as a platoon leader was attacked by several enemy tanks. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, Lt Miketanic attempted to contact a tank destroyer located in the vicinity. As he was leaving the command post he was attacked by DAN

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an enemy soldier. After a hand-to-hand struggle he overcame the attacker and was later successful in contacting the tank destroyer, accomplishing his mission though he subjected himself to heavy enemy fire. Lt Mikotanic then directed the crew to a position from which it was able to fire upon and destroy the enemy tanks. The courage, determination, and devotion to duty displayed by Lt Mikotanic exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Michigan.

Franklin T. Oliver, 35330235, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 20 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 20 February 1945, Feb during the attack on Huttingen, Germany, the rifle company to which S Sgt Oliver, a mortar section leader, had been attached, was temporarily halted by a heavy concentration of enemy fire. To relieve the rifle company, S Sgt Oliver led his mortar section to an exposed position and fired several rounds and then led them to withdraw while under enemy fire. Several casualties were suffered by the section during this operation and, despite constant mortar and small arms fire, S Sgt Oliver succeeded in giving first aid and in moving the wounded to a safe position. His bravery, courage, and unselfish devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

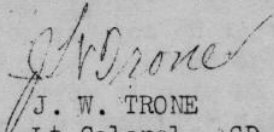
VII. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel:

MARTIN L. DeJOVINE, 02006539, 2d Lt, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 14 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 14 February 1945, Feb Lt DeJovine, a tank destroyer platoon leader, disregarding the intense fire of enemy small arms and direct fire weapons, reconnoitered an area in Germany in which a friendly tank destroyer was mired. He then led a second tank destroyer to the scene and endeavored to extract the first destroyer, still under heavy fire. Ordering the crew from the immobilized destroyer and removing them to safety, he personally destroyed the 76mm gun and radio so that the vehicle could not be of use to the enemy. His courage, initiative, and devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

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VIII. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR: 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:

Albert W. Fischbeck, 38113528, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 9 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 9 February 1945, during the battle for Biesdorf, Germany, S Sgt Fischbeck, a mortar squad leader, took a position as a forward observer on a high hill overlooking the Sauer River. Finding need for better observation, in full view of the foe, he crossed the treacherous river, carrying his radio. He advanced to the top of a hill overlooking the town and in spite of the severe fire which was directed at his position, controlled the fire of his mortars, thereby aiding materially in the capture of Biesdorf. His courage, initiative, and devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

John C. Fritz, 33323306, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 24 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 24 December 1944, an enemy artillery barrage was falling in the town of Niederfeulen, Luxembourg, in which S Sgt Fritz, assistant operations sergeant, was working. Notwithstanding direct hits on the command post, S Sgt Fritz continued his work, directing and assisting other members of his section. When the command post caught fire as a result of the shelling, he actively cooperated with other sections of the headquarters in removing to safety important government equipment and records. His courage, efficiency, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

med Ned F. Gusick, 33241030, Tec 4, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 24 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 24 December 1944, the enemy surrounded the battalion aid station where Tec 4 Gusick was engaged as a surgical technician. All officers being busy elsewhere, he assumed command and showed outstanding initiative in the operation of the station. Despite heavy shelling, Tec 4 Gusick refused to take cover until all patients had received treatment and were removed to the basement of the building. His courage, skill, and devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

NORMAN R. JENSEN, 02010357, 2d Lt (then T Sgt), Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 26 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. In an assault against Kehmen, Luxembourg, on 26 December 1944, intense enemy mortar and artillery fire wounded the platoon leader and forced a temporary withdrawal of the platoon in which T Sgt Jensen served as platoon sergeant. Several attempts

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to reach the wounded officer were thwarted by hostile fire. Disregarding the danger of heavy small arms fire, T Sgt Jensen crawled to the officer, cut away his equipment, and carried him to safety. T Sgt Jensen's courage and sincere devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Raymond T. Lawson, 32380697, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 25 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack on the town of Kehmen, Luxembourg, on 25 December 1944, Pfc Lawson, a litter bearer, assisted in evacuating casualties from the town to the aid station across a half mile of open terrain exposed to enemy small arms and sniper fire. He worked at this task for an extended period and despite personal danger and extreme fatigue evacuated all the casualties from the battle zone. Pfc Lawson's courage and sincere devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

JOHN A. SHUFORD, 0533477, 1st Lt (then 2d Lt), Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 10 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the crossing of the Sauer River into Germany from Dillingen, Luxembourg, on 10 February 1945, Lt Shuford, acting as S-2 of his battalion, took up a position on the west side of the river to help expedite transportation of troops and supplies across the treacherous water. Despite enemy artillery, mortar, sniper, and machine gun fire, Lt Shuford worked unceasingly for forty eight hours, without sleep or rest, to get the necessary troops and materials to the newly formed bridgehead. His tireless efforts aided immeasurably in the success of the crossing and are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

IX. 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 Germany on dates indicated:

<u>RANK AND NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ARM OR SERVICE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
G T Sgt Gerald R. Simons	36186593	Inf	15 Mar 45
Pfc Marshall L. Rau	33185996	Inf	21 Mar 45

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

Pvt Bernard R. Hellsten	16010185	MD	16 Mar 45
Pfc John E. McAdams	39024589	Inf	20 Mar 45
Pfc J. T. Watts Jr	44031140	Inf	21 Mar 45
Pvt Charles E. Snodgrass	34928568	Inf	18 Mar 45
1ST LT JAMES H. McFALLAND JR	01314521	Inf	21 Mar 45

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<u>RANK AND NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ARM OR SERVICE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Sgt Ervin A. Krueger	16094043	FA	22 Mar 45

XI. 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 Germany on dates indicated:

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<i>→</i> Sgt Frank J. Pesock	33935145	Inf	15 Mar 45
<i>G</i> E Sgt Salvatore Sargente	42117967	Inf	15 Mar 45
<i>E</i> Pvt Leonard C. Danenhower	36985144	Inf	16 Mar 45
<i>H</i> 1ST LT FRED C. STEPHENS JR	01296761	Inf	20 Mar 45
Pfc Lemuel L. Curran	33877106	Inf	21 Mar 45
Pfc William C. Van Delinder	42143308	Inf	21 Mar 45
Sgt Hillman N. Wahl	36992740	Inf	21 Mar 45
Pvt Paul W. Mathes	35907518	Inf	21 Mar 45
Pfc Dalton L. Johnson	35840985	Inf	21 Mar 45
Pfc Morris E. McWhorter	38686534	Inf	21 Mar 45
Pvt Ronald G. Young	31339646	Inf	21 Mar 45
Pvt Fred W. Limbaugh Jr	33293619	Inf	21 Mar 45
Tec 4 Paul W. Finger	15104788	Inf	21 Mar 45
<i>(</i> Pvt Warren M. Holm	36992016	Inf	21 Mar 45
<i>M</i> Pfc Edward P. Thomas	42123055	Inf	21 Mar 45
<i>C</i> Sgt Ray E. Jones	37508091	Inf	21 Mar 45
<i>Serv</i> WOJG WILLIAM E. FORGES ✓	W2106229	Inf	21 Mar 45
<i>med</i> Tec 5 Paul V. Boren	35483510	MD	21 Mar 45
<i>CN</i> CAPT DAMON HOLDITCH	01296695	Inf	22 Mar 45
2D LT STUART E. SMITH	01175319	FA	22 Mar 45
2D LT CHARLES E. CHROSNIAK	02008102	FA	22 Mar 45
T Sgt Carl W. Mathews	38699374	Inf	22 Mar 45
Pfc Cecil L. Larimore	38609021	Inf	22 Mar 45
Sgt John J. Durkin	33174866	Inf	22 Mar 45
Tec 4 Ralph L. Miller	35408995	Inf	22 Mar 45
CAPT CLARENCE BURLEW	01289384	Inf	23 Mar 45

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