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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:

William H. Arnold, 37597143, Pvt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 6 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 6 February 1945, Pvt Arnold, an infantry rifleman, participated as a member of a patrol which crossed the Sauer River into the Siegfried Line. Near Wallendorf, Germany, the patrol was surprised by enemy machine gun fire which wounded Pvt Arnold and several of his companions. Disregarding his own injuries and while still under hostile fire, Pvt Arnold carried the wounded men to the river bank and assisted in evacuating them across the treacherous river by boat. His courage, aggressiveness, and supreme devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from North Dakota.

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:

Benjamin G. Apodaca, 37343766, 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, during an attack near Welscheid, Luxembourg, S Sgt Apodaca, a squad leader, distinguished himself by leaving a covered position and, despite withering enemy machine gun fire, carried his platoon leader to safety. After rendering first aid he again braved the enemy fire to find a litter squad and supervise the evacuation of the injured officer. S Sgt Apodaca's bravery, courage, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Colorado.

Charles R. Bushwaller, 33352781, 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 Sgt Bushwaller, a topographical draftsman, was working. Sgt Bushwaller continued his work preparing an overlay to accompany an important field order despite direct hits on the command post. 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.

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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.

III. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART (OAK LEAF CLUSTER): By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, in addition to the Purple Heart previously awarded, a bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded Cpl William H. Prewett, 33596588, Armd, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Luxembourg on 26 December 1944.

IV. 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 Tec 5 Theodore G. Blew, 33621603, Armd, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Luxembourg on 25 January 1945.

V. Section IV, General Orders Number 44, this Headquarters, dated 13 February 1945, as awards the Purple Heart (Oak Leaf Cluster) to Cpl William H. Prewett, 33596588, Armd, for wounds received in Luxembourg on 6 February 1945, is amended to award enlisted man a second bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart.

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