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I. 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:

James C. Colton, 33282620, T Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France and Luxembourg during the period 7 August 1944, to 31 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

James H. Fahey, 35312082, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France and Luxembourg during the period 7 August 1944, to 26 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 7 August 1944, to 26 December 1944, Sgt Fahey has distinguished himself in performing his duties as Message Center Chief in a courageous manner. Serving with the forward elements of the infantry, often under heavy enemy fire, he has by his initiative, outstanding ability, and capable supervision, expedited the receipt and dispatch of important messages, thereby contributing to the continued success of his battalion in combat. The courage, resourcefulness, and unselfish devotion to duty displayed by Sgt Fahey are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

George M. Franks, 33279080, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France and Luxembourg during the period 6 August 1944, to 9 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 6 August 1944, to 9 January 1945, Sgt Franks distinguished himself in performing his duties as machine gun squad leader in a courageous manner. He has repeatedly demonstrated coolness under fire and exceptional ability in successfully completing all assigned missions. His aggressive spirit, outstanding leadership, and utter disregard for his own personal safety to lead his squad and aid the wounded have been an inspiration to all those serving with him. The courage, resourcefulness, and unselfish devotion to duty displayed by Sgt Franks are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Everett Gifford, 35460573, Cpl, Inf, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France and Luxembourg during the period 25 August 1944, to 19 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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Clarence Johns, 33294509, Sgt, FA, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France, Luxembourg, and Germany during the period 8 August 1944, to 2 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Rudolph Kalous, 36041832, T Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France, Luxembourg, and Germany during the period 6 August 1944, to 24 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

John W. Kopczyk, 35313274, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France and Luxembourg during the period 7 August 1944, to 18 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

James M. Morgan, 35463100, Tec 5, MD, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France and Luxembourg during the period 6 August 1944, to 31 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.

John J. Nosich, 35313198, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, and Germany during the period 8 August 1944, to 8 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Lirwood C. Robinson, 33127411, Tec 4, Inf, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France and Luxembourg during the period 7 August 1944, to 31 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Virginia.

ROBERT A. SCHAFFNER, 0515928, 2d Lt, Inf, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France during the period 8 - 28 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

James V. Smith, 34107603, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France and Luxembourg during the period 7 August 1944, to 31 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Alabama.

William A. Stack, 33203931, T Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France, Luxembourg, and Germany during the period 6 August 1944, to 24 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Maryland.

RICHARD SNOPE, 02009815, 2d Lt (then S Sgt), Inf, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France, Luxembourg, Belgium, and Germany during the period 9 October 1944, to 27 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

George Walker, Jr, 20403293, 1st Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France during the period 7 September 1944, to 5 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Georgia.

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II. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL (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 Air Medal and three bronze Oak Leaf Clusters previously awarded, a fourth bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded the following named personnel:

CHARLES E. CHROSNIAK, 02008102, 2d Lt, FA, Army of the United States. For meritorious achievement in Luxembourg and Germany during the period 26 January 1945, to 1 March 1945, as an Artillery Liaison Pilot in successfully completing the required number of sorties while participating in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Tennessee.

III. 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:

<u>RANK AND NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ARM OR SERVICE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Pfc Leland D. Anderson	36694878	Inf	21 Mar 45
Pfc Burl W. Mansberger	42136626	Inf	21 Mar 45
1ST LT KEITH C. NOURSE	01283300	Inf	21 Mar 45
Pfc Bert W. Street	34148281	Inf	24 Mar 45

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 the following named personnel for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Luxembourg on dates indicated:

Pfc J. L. Santavenere	33723512	Armd	14 Feb 45
Tec 5 Charles Neider	32822673	Armd	14 Feb 45
Pvt John R. Curry Sr	34932922	Armd	18 Feb 45

V. 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:

M Sgt James E. Downes	33376846	Inf	16 Feb 45
Pfc Robert C. Hall	14168204	Inf	17 Mar 45
Pvt James L. Combs	34898315	Inf	17 Mar 45
S Sgt Ralph L. Ruble	33092187	Inf	17 Mar 45
S Sgt Kenneth H. Doran	33074841	Inf	20 Mar 45
Pfc William F. Richardson	32867519	Inf	21 Mar 45
Pvt Harold O. Zeigler	33845417	Inf	21 Mar 45
Pfc James A. Watts	35816539	Inf	21 Mar 45
Pfc Virgil Mitchell	39927988	Inf	21 Mar 45
Pfc Stanley J. Sporer	20749471	Inf	21 Mar 45
S Sgt Ralph A. White	37033863	Inf	21 Mar 45
Sgt Lorenza C. Motes	38688522	Inf	21 Mar 45
Pvt Gordon Masincupp	44011593	Inf	21 Mar 45

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<u>RANK AND NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ARM OR SERVICE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Pfc George W. Marcinik	33294547	Inf	21 Mar 45
Pfc John S. Velasquez	39693436	Inf	22 Mar 45
Pfc John P. Gavahan	36825802	MD	22 Mar 45
Cpl Forrest S. Hart	36815719	MD	22 Mar 45
CAPT WALTER F. MATTERS	01296881	Inf	23 Mar 45
Pfc Silvain W. Boudoin	38490787	Inf	23 Mar 45
S Sgt Howard L. Bonsall	32069768	Inf	23 Mar 45
Pvt Otis F. Cauley	34948279	Inf	23 Mar 45
S Sgt Frank J. Reynolds	35583429	Inf	23 Mar 45
S Sgt Harold Wayman	19019264	Inf	23 Mar 45
Pfc Joseph R. Spearman	38682945	Inf	24 Mar 45
Pvt James E. Pyle	34963714	CE	24 Mar 45
Pvt Robert Bailey	20224485	Inf	26 Mar 45
Pfc George W. Ferris	36993722	Inf	26 Mar 45

VI. Section VIII, General Orders Number 50, this Headquarters, dated 19 February 1945, is amended to delete the name of "2D LT CURTIS L. ANDREWS C556340 FA 13 Feb 45".

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL McBRIDE:

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