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HEADQUARTERS 80TH INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO 80, U. S. Army

GENERAL ORDERS)

9 November 1944.

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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 Enlisted Men:

Robert J. Confer, 35513631, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 2 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During an attack by his company, Pfc Confer, displaying cool courage and with total disregard for his own safety, in the face of enemy mortar and machine gun fire established and maintained wire communications with the front line platoons. His personal courage and devotion to duty are commensurate with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio,

Carmine G. Liotti, 32897148, Cpl, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 10 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Due to an enemy counterattack the casualty evacuation system of Cpl Liotti's Battalion was disrupted. In the absence of officer supervision, Cpl Liotti displayed excellent leadership, cool courage, and disregard for his own personal safety, in reestablishing the evacuation system under continual harassment of enemy artillery and mortar fire. This action contributed largely to the success of the operation and to the saving of the lives of many comrades. The leadership, personal courage, and devotion to duty displayed by Cpl Liotti was commensurate with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Norman G. Milette, 31140385, Pfc, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France during the period 24 - 26 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Pfc Milette was a member of an artillery battalion wire team which established and maintained wire communications with the Infantry CP and the Artillery Liaison Officers working with the front line infantry battalions. The team laid and serviced the wire under heavy enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. The bravery and sincere devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Milette is commensurate with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Wayne E. Sampson, 35312817, Pvt, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 9 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Displaying cool courage and disregard for his own personal safety, Pvt Sampson moved out across an open field in the face of heavy enemy machine gun and artillery fire and, alone and unaided, dragged two wounded comrades to safety. His heroic action contributed largely to the saving of their lives. The bravery and courage displayed by Pvt Sampson is commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

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Edward G. Scarberry, 35653497, Pvt, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France during the period 24 - 26 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Pvt Scarberry was a member of an artillery battalion wire team which established and maintained wire communications with the Infantry CP and the Artillery Liaison Officers working with the front line infantry battalions. The team laid and serviced the wire under heavy enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Pvt Scarberry's bravery and sincere devotion to duty is commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from West Virginia.

II. 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 S Sgt John R. Wertz, 33185314, Inf, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France on 26 September 1944. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

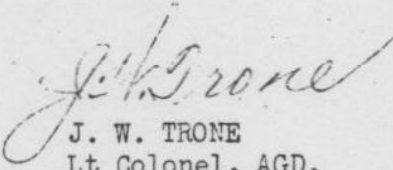
III. So much of Section II, General Orders Number 50, this Headquarters, dated 4 October 1944, pertaining to the award of the Purple Heart, as reads "S Sgt John R. Wertz 33185314 Inf 26 Sep 44 Maryland" is rescinded.

IV. Sections IV, V, VI, VII, and VIII, published as extracts.

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IV. 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 Enlisted Man:

Casper D. Greenwood, Jr, 33240896, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 8 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Observing an enemy patrol which had penetrated to within fifty (50) yards of his platoon's position, Pfc Greenwood opened fire on it with his Browning Automatic Rifle. In the ensuing fire fight Pfc Greenwood was mortally wounded but continued to deliver fire on the patrol until it was forced to withdraw. The outstanding bravery, determination, and zealous devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Greenwood reflect creditably upon himself and upon the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

V. 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 Enlisted Man:

Anthony C. DiPangrazio, 33338308, Cpl, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 23 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Cpl DiPangrazio, in company with another enlisted man, volunteered and established vital wire communications between a front line infantry battalion and an Artillery Liaison Officer across terrain then under heavy enemy artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire. Laying the line in total darkness while under raking enemy fire, Cpl DiPangrazio and his companion successfully completed the mission, returning with three enemy prisoners which they captured during the operation. The bravery, initiative, and sincere devotion to duty displayed by Cpl DiPangrazio is commensurate with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

VI. 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 Officers and Enlisted Men:

Herbert L. Andrews, 34289721, Cpl, Cav, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France during the period 26 September 1944, to 5 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Tennessee.

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Dennis O. Arthur, 33648794, Tec 5, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 15 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While his unit was engaging the enemy in battle, Tec 5 Arthur left his covered position to render assistance and first aid to an injured comrade lying in the open. He accomplished this successfully while under enemy machine gun and heavy caliber gun fire. The outstanding courage and devotion to duty displayed by Tec 5 Arthur reflect creditably upon himself and upon the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Virginia.

Tarrance L. Beaver, 34311393, S Sgt, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 21 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. After heavy enemy shelling had severed the communications cable thereby destroying telephone communications, S Sgt Beaver, while acting as Battery Wire Sergeant, of his own volition, proceeded to assist his Communications Officer to repair a break in the telephone communications cable between a front line Infantry Battalion CP and his Artillery Battalion CP in the face of continued enemy artillery fire. As a result of this action, complete wire communication was resumed. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by S Sgt Beaver exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Leo Brooks, 35736900, Pvt, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 10 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While on a mission as assistant to an ambulance driver he made his way to a group of soldiers who were just wounded by enemy mine explosions. Without regard for his own personal safety, Pvt Brooks went into this area where there were other unexploded mines to render assistance and medical aid to the injured. During this action a mine exploded, wounding Pvt Brooks in the arms, legs, and back. Unmindful of his multiple wounds he continued to treat the wounded soldiers and later helped evacuate these and other wounded. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Pvt Brooks exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

KENNETH C. HANNA, 01177423, 2d Lt, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 21 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While acting as Assistant Battalion Communications Officer, Lt Hanna, of his own volition and with the assistance of his battery wire sergeant, proceeded to repair a break in the telephone communications cable between a front line Infantry Battalion CP and his Artillery Battalion CP in the face of continued heavy enemy artillery fire. As a result of this action complete wire communication was resumed. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Lt Hanna are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Loren H. Hardinger, 37661340, Tec 5, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 8 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Wounded in the left arm by

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a shell fragment while attacking the enemy, Tec 5 Hardinger refused medical aid in order to continue with the attacking troops then consolidating the company's position. The bravery and determination of Tec 5 Hardinger reflect creditably upon himself and upon the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Iowa.

FRANK J. HAYES, 01285586, 1st Lt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 10 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Lt Hayes, while commanding a platoon, had his position attacked by enemy tanks and infantry. Standing steadfast and encouraging his men, he held his position with the enemy tanks within 100 yards and was successful in repulsing the attack. Lt Hayes' display of excellent leadership and courage exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

Alvin W. Hunter, 34128876, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 27 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the defense of a bridgehead, a 1 1/2 ton truck, loaded with ammunition and gasoline, was set afire by shell bursts of enemy artillery. Pfc Hunter, accompanied by two other enlisted men, with total disregard for his own personal safety, aided in extinguishing the flames. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Hunter exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Clarence D. Knepper, 37725982, Tec 5, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 9 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While serving with an artillery forward observation team, composed of a commissioned officer and Tec 5 Knepper, they were pinned down by enemy small arms and artillery fire. The officer was fatally wounded by small arms fire. With complete disregard for his own life, Tec 5 Knepper remained steadfastly by his radio and completed several missions by adjusting fire on enemy tanks and other missions called for by the infantry. The outstanding bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Tec 5 Knepper exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kansas.

Paul L. McAndrew, 33354665, Pfc, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 23 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Pfc McAndrew, in company with another enlisted man, volunteered and established vital wire communications between a front line infantry battalion and an artillery liaison officer, across terrain then under heavy enemy artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire. Laying the line in total darkness while under raking enemy fire, Pfc McAndrew and his companion successfully completed the mission, returning with three enemy prisoners which they captured during the operation. Pfc McAndrew's bravery, initiative, and sincere devotion to duty is commensurate with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Manuel R. Miranda, 39406122, Pfc, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 10 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While on a mission as ambulance driver, he halted his vehicle by a group of soldiers who had just been injured by enemy mine explosions. Without regard for his own personal safety, Pfc Miranda went into this area where there were other unexploded mines to render assistance and medical aid to the injured. During this action a mine exploded at his feet wounding Pfc Miranda in the arms and back. Unmindful of his wounds he continued to treat the injured soldiers and later drove his ambulance on its original mission. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Miranda exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.

Frank J. Rollick, 33273131, Pvt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 27 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the defense of a bridgehead, a 1½ ton truck, loaded with ammunition and gasoline, was set afire by shell bursts of enemy artillery. Pvt Rollick, accompanied by two other enlisted men, with total disregard for his own personal safety, aided in extinguishing the flames. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Pvt Rollick exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Jesse R. West, 33213204, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 27 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the defense of a bridgehead, a 1½ ton truck, loaded with ammunition and gasoline, was set afire by shell bursts of enemy artillery. Pfc West, accompanied by two other enlisted men, with total disregard for his own personal safety, aided in extinguishing the flames. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Pfc West exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Virginia.

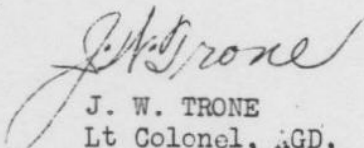
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<u>RANK AND NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ARM OR SERVICE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>ENTERED MILITARY SERVICE FROM</u>
Pfc Leo D. Sholl Jr	33247718	Inf	8 Nov 44	Pennsylvania
Pvt Andrew J. Garafola	36511686	Inf	8 Nov 44	Michigan

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S Sgt James H. Dillow	35387247	Inf	8 Nov 44	West Virginia
Pfc Woodrow Fornyduval	34467526	FA	8 Nov 44	North Carolina
Tec 5 Harry L. Maisel Jr	33374805	Inf	8 Nov 44	Pennsylvania
Pfc William A. Sandrey	33268334	Inf	8 Nov 44	Pennsylvania
Pfc Blair E. Varner	33503007	Inf	8 Nov 44	Pennsylvania
Sgt Michael Kapopoulos	31311457	Inf	8 Nov 44	Massachusetts
Pvt Walter C. Christie	38147651	Inf	8 Nov 44	Oklahoma
Pvt Andrew J. Jaworski	33846616	Inf	8 Nov 44	Pennsylvania
S Sgt Fred Cherry	32062662	Inf	8 Nov 44	New Jersey
Pfc Freddie Duhe	14013257	Inf	8 Nov 44	Louisiana
Pvt Robert I. Thompson	34810903	Inf	8 Nov 44	Alabama
Pfc Donald McClintock	35313335	Inf	8 Nov 44	Ohio
Pfc Joe E. Smith	35463005	Inf	8 Nov 44	Ohio
Sgt Charles R. Fouke Jr	33205378	Inf	8 Nov 44	Pennsylvania
Pvt Ernest J. Drummond	38521224	Inf	8 Nov 44	Louisiana
Pfc Benjamin F. Sheriff	33235219	Inf	8 Nov 44	Pennsylvania
Pfc Edward F. Kappen	33241084	Inf	8 Nov 44	Pennsylvania
Pvt Cleo D. Robinson	39472055	Inf	8 Nov 44	Washington
Pvt Elie Vincent	38652401	Inf	8 Nov 44	Louisiana
Pfc Charles Durgin	33733619	Inf	8 Nov 44	Maryland

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