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APO 80, U.S. Army.

GENERAL ORDERS)

I - Award of Silver Star, Posthumously.

II - Award of Silver Star (Oak Leaf Cluster).

III - Award of Silver Star.

IV thru VII - Award of Purple Heart (Oak Leaf Cluster).

VIII and IX - Award of Purple Heart.

X thru XII - Amendment and Rescissions.

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR, POSTHUMOUSLY: 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, posthumously, to the following named Enlisted Man:

Warren H. McKinney, 35436744, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France on 26 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 26 November 1944, S Sgt McKinney, in command of a machine gun platoon, reorganized the platoon and the remaining elements of a rifle company into a fighting unit in an attack on the enemy. Despite the fact that S Sgt McKinney and his group were greatly outnumbered, and in the face of direct enemy machine gun fire, he successfully led them in routing the enemy and capturing the objective, repulsing later enemy assaults on territory gained. The personal bravery, leadership, and loyal devotion to duty demonstrated by S Sgt McKinney exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from West Virginia.

II. AWARD OF SILVER 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 Silver Star previously awarded, a bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded the following named Enlisted Man:

William T. Smith, 38538428, S Sgt, MD, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France on 11 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 11 November 1944, S Sgt Smith, in company with another comrade, voluntarily advanced under an intense bombardment from enemy anti-aircraft artillery, mortar, and small arms fire in a vehicle to reach the commander of the battalion, who had become a casualty, evacuating him to safety. The personal bravery, resourcefulness, and sincere devotion to duty displayed by S Sgt Smith are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

III. 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 Officers and Enlisted Men:

WILLIAM J. BOYDSTUN, 0401562, Lt Col, 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 DECLASSIFIED

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1944, in an enemy counterattack, Lt Col Boydstun became isolated from his men but withstood rifle fire and hand grenade attacks on his position. With utter disregard for his own safety, he infiltrated through enemy lines to secure and guide tank support for his battalion. The added tank support coupled with the reorganizations Lt Col Boydstun effected, successfully routed the enemy. His tactical knowledge, aggressive leadership, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

ELDON C. GARDNER, 01319273, 2d Lt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France on 4 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 4 December 1944, while leading his rifle platoon in an attack on the enemy, Lt Gardner assaulted an enemy truck and anti-tank gun escaping down a road covered by enemy machine guns and bordered by trenches occupied by the enemy. With utter disregard for his own safety, Lt Gardner ran directly into the face of the raking enemy fire, firing his carbine to kill the driver, and hurling hand grenades to destroy the truck and the remainder of the crew. His courage, aggressiveness, and loyal devotion to duty are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Iowa.

MILNOR E. GLEAVES, 01322911, 1st Lt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France on 25 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 25 November 1944, while reconnoitering enemy territory for prospective positions for the machine guns of his section, Lt Gleaves discovered an enemy pillbox, capturing seven occupants without any assistance. Later, he led a squad in an assault on another pillbox whose fire was temporarily delaying the advance of the infantry, capturing one officer and thirty seven of the enemy. His outstanding leadership, aggressiveness, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.

Byron L. Hoover, 35385939, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France on 20 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 20 November 1944, S Sgt Hoover, serving as Intelligence Non-Commissioned Officer, preceded the infantry in an advance to secure enemy information. Upon reaching a river he discovered that the bridge across it had been destroyed. Unhesitatingly and with complete disregard for his personal safety he swam the river and penetrated deep into enemy territory to reconnecter it to secure valuable information which contributed greatly in the successful advance of his comrades. The personal bravery, resourcefulness, and loyal devotion to duty displayed by S Sgt Hoover exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Augustin E. Kruger, 6693316, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France on 15 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 15 September 1944, the rifle company in which S Sgt Kruger served as supply sergeant had expended their supply of ammunition in a determined effort to retain an established bridgehead against the enemy. With full knowledge of the dangers

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involved in attempting to supply the company S Sgt Kruger commandeered a tank to insure the ammunition getting through. Placing the ammunition on the back of the tank and riding outside the tank himself, ne successfully completed the mission contributing greatly in repulsing the enemy. The courage, initiative, and loyal devotion to duty demonstrated by S Sgt Kruger exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Thomas M. Martinez, 38441541, Tec 5, MD, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France on 26 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 26 November 1944, in an attack on the enemy, a request was made for treatment and evacuation of casualties. Without hesitating, Tec 5 Martinez and a companion voluntarily proceeded in their litter truck, while under intense automatic weapons, artillery, and small arms fire, to render prompt medical attention and successfully evacuate seventeen comrades, contributing greatly to the saving of the lives of these men. The personal bravery, resourcefulness, and loyal devotion to duty demonstrated by Tec 5 Martinez exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

JOHN H. SCANLON, 01295437, 1st Lt, Inf, Army of the United States: For gallantry in action in Luxembourg on 22 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 22 December 1944, with utter disregard for his personal safety, Lt Scanlon led his rifle company through mortar, direct fire weapons, and small arms fire, to successfully seize the objective. Despite wounds he received as a result of this action, he continued in the attack, accounting for the capture of sixty of the enemy. The exceptional leadership, courage, and sincere devotion to duty displayed by Lt Scanlon are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Charles R. Sizemore, 35434577, Pfc, MD, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France on 26 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 26 November 1944, in an attack on the enemy a request was made for treatment and evacuation of casualties. Without hesitating, Pfc Sizemore and a companion voluntarily proceeded in their litter truck, while under intense automatic weapons, artillery, and small arms fire, to render prompt medical attention and successfully evacuate seventeen comrades, contributing greatly to the saving of the lives of these men. The personal bravery, resourcefulness, and loyal devotion to duty demonstrated by Pfc Sizemore exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from West Virginia.

ALBERT S. TOSI, C416099, Lt Col, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Luxembourg on 23 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 23 December 1944, Lt Col Tosi, with utter disregard for his personal safety, exposed himself to enemy fire to continue to lead his battalion in an attack on the enemy until he was seriously wounded. The leadership, aggressiveness, and sincere devotion to duty demonstrated by Lt Col Tosi are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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ALFRED S. VAN HOOSE, JR, 01321969, 1st Lt, 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, after successfully repulsing an enemy counterattack, Lt Van Hoose was ordered to reorganize his weapons platoon into a combat patrol to contact scattered remnants of a battalion isolated behind enemy lines. With utter disregard of his personal safety, he led his men, armed with pistols and carbines, into hostile territory, and by intelligently planning an enemy ambush, twenty eight American soldiers were released from their captors and other scattered remnants of the battalion were successfully guided back to friendly lines. The exceptional leadership, initiative, and sincere devotion to duty demonstrated by Lt Van Hoose are în keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United State. Entered military service from Alabama.

Joseph Wercholuk, 32064877, 1st Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France during the period 8 - 11 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. From 8 November 1944, to 11 November 1944, 1st Sgt Wercholuk, assuming command of a company after all officers became casualties, led his company in continuous fighting with the enemy; successfully seizing all objectives, and establishing and holding a bridgehead against determined enemy efforts to destroy it. The outstanding leadership, courage, and loyal devotion to duty displayed by 1st Sgt Wercholuk exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New Jersey.

- 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 previously awarded, a bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded Pvt Harold A. Trafton, 6135573, Inf, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France on 8 November 1944.
- V. 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 Luxembourg on dates indicated:

				11.	ARM OR			4.
		RANK AN	ID NAME	ASN	SERVIC	\mathbf{E}	DATE	
	Pvt	Joe H.	Stewart.	3,41,28361	Inf		22 Dec	44
	Cpl	Leland	H. Treap	35385757	FA	-,-	24 Dec	
B	Sgt	Edward	Kropa	33348149	Inf		30 Dec	

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VI. 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 Luxembourg on dates indicated:

	ARM OR	
ASN	SERVICE	DATE
32678049	Inf	1 Jan 45
421 263 04	Inf	2 Jan 45
6583172	Inf	2 Jan 45
31144468	Inf	3 Jan 45
.33542226	Inf (Armd)	4 Jan 45
38675721	Inf	4 Jan 45
38662222	Inf	4 Jan 45
34334789	Inf	5 Jan 45
35434698	Inf	5 Jan 45
38188097	Inf	5 Jan 45
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VII. 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 Sgt Josephi A. Christen; 35460758; Inf, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Belgium.on 28 December 1944.

VIII. 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 Belgium on dates indicated:

37497458 Pfc Joseph P. Graham Inf 28 Dec 44 34788870 Inf 29 Dec 44 Pfc Thomas C. Clark

IX. 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:

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		MAG	
The G. Liotti	32897148	MD	23 Dec 44
ESgt Ray C. Boston	35756914	Inf	23 Dec 44
ES Sgt Richard B. Duerr	35618556	Inf	23 Dec 44
ET Sgt Clarence H. G. Stepp	341.28066	Inf	23 Dec 44
ETec 4 Phillip A. Vella	32134845	Inf	23 Dec 44
Sgt Robert E. Beavers	14002533	$\mathbf{F}\Lambda$	24 Dec 44
Pvt John M. McDonough	32689754	FA	24 Dec-44

Sgt Chester V. Walenduk

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EPvt Frank M. Osborn	<u>ASN</u> 38676298	SERVICE	DATE
Pvt Raymond A. Seger		Inf	25 Dec 44
//Dfo Tamor E Debinette	35242847	Inf	26 Dec 44
#Pfc James E. Robinette	35434573	Inf	30 Dec 44
Pvt William J. Brogdon	34235296	Inf	30 Dec 44
Cpl Louis Kaiserman	32080905	FA	30 Dec 44
Pfc Vernon R. Belville	18073931	Inf	30 Dec 44
CAPT JOHN P. TICE	0375254	FA	31 Dec 44
Sgt John M. Ring	32687837	FA	31 Dec 44
1ST LT EDWARD B. NEWSOM	0361752	FA	31 Dec 44
Pvt Jessie J. Jennings	33843992	FA	31 Dec 44
1st Sgt Warren E. Insley	35503014	Inf	1 Jan 45
Pvt Roy J. Walker	33764545	Inf	1 Jan 45
Pvt William H. Beier	33950396	Inf	1 Jan 45
Pfc Anthony P. Bua	42101552	Inf	1 Jan 45
Pfc George Fluture	36887831	Inf	1 Jan 45
Pfc Leo J. Tetreault	31328251	Inf	1 Jan 45
Pvt Willie T. Purdom	38663534	Inf	1 Jan 45
Pvt Lewis T. Stowe	39053113	Inf	1 Jan 45
/ Pvt John M. Turman	33887404	Inf	1 Jan 45
The Tec 5 Roy C. Smith	38208872	Inf	1 Jan 45
Pfc Frederick W. Meier	33735776	Inf	1 Jan 45
/s/Pfc Lucien P. Caminita	38379771	Inf	2 Jan 45
Ind Pvt Myles J. Johnson	37551234	Inf	2 Jan 45
Pfc Alfonso Gallerani	31462479	Inf	2 Jan 45
Pfc Pedro F. Esparza	38113553	FA	2 Jan 45
Pvt Vance Heath	34968091	Inf	2 Jan 45
Pvt Woodrow A. Rowland	36879282	Inf	2 Jan 45
Pfc Leonard White	32885056	Inf	
Pfc Arlow G. Grantham	17010655	Inf	2 Jan 45
Pvt Arthur L. McKee	35079551	Inf	2 Jan 45
Pvt William H. Ohnhaus	33940799		2 Jan 45
S Sgt William L. Wyrick	35684489	Inf	2 Jan 45
		Inf	2 Jan 45
Pvt Edgar J. Lariviere	31424458	Inf	2 Jan 45
Put Percy E. Phillips	14047481	Inf	2 Jan 45
Pvt Jacob P. Selensky	36289057	Inf	2 Jan 45
Pvt Donald H. Stephens	34947326	Inf	2 Jan 45
Pvt Edward L. Byrne	32083247	Inf	2 Jan 45
Pvt Frank T. Wanat	33614315	Inf	2 Jan 45
Pvt Eugene Podmokly	42104343	Inf	2 Jan 45
Pvt George M. Sutton	33888039	Inf	2 Jan 45
Pvt Charles A. Page	36981333	Inf	2 Jan 45
Pvt Paul D. Pulke	36785695	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pfc Maurice P. Luciani Jr	39100670	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pvt Angus P. Woodhall	36977793	Inf	3 Jan 45
1st Sgt James A. Martin	12004073	Inf	3 Jan 45
1st Sgt John T. Adams	20446883	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pvt Norwood A. Johnson	34997134	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pfc Clinton D. Vinson	34989088	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pvt Orvil R. Rogers	35761014	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pfc Albert V. Barnes	34989463	Inf	3 Jan 45
Sgt Alexander Angeline	33279159	Inf	3 Jan D
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Pvt Leon M. Brownen	39052424	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pvt Ray C. Bishop	34863295	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pvt Walter R. Harrison	38699364	Inf	
Pvt Willey M. Brown			3 Jan 45
Pfc Sylvan H. Israels	38549173	Inf	3 Jan 45
Cet Colortina B Israels	32722799	Inf	3 Jan 45
Sgt Celestino E. Lucero	38165462	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pfc George Eininger	42050343	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pfc Michael Zlonkiewicz	31364728	Inf	3 Jan 45
BPvt Charles L. Allen	33885223	Inf	3 Jan 45
2 Pvt Frank K. Taylor	33892071	Inf	3 Jan 45
Ind Pfc Seymour Kaplan	42104323	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pfc Charles W. McCarthy	33670520	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pvt Earnest E. Lewis	37744941	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pvt Pasquale A. Rasilo	42144205	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pfc Harold F. Popperwell Jr	39585513	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pvt Thomas Montebianco	32961098	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pfc Walter L. McNamara	35168561	Inf	3 Jan 45
Tec 5 Ray H. Pollett	35698728	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pfc John Roeder Jr	35244452	Inf	3 Jan 45
Pfc Thomas J. Decker	12209026	Inf	
Pvt William J. Goudy	35845613	Inf	
Sgt Edward J. Glofka	33602218	Inf (Armd)	
Pfc Anthony M. Tallerico	32976961		4 Jan 45
Sgt Clair E. Ferguson		Inf (Armd)	4 Jan 45
E Pvt Lawrence R. Baker	33436077	Inf (Armd)	4 Jan 45
6 Pfc Frank J. Pesock	38692614	Inf	4 Jan 45
	33935145	Inf	4 Jan 45
GPvt Robert P. Wallace	34838010	Inf	4 Jan 45
EPvt Delmar J. Davis	36975242	Inf	4 Jan 45
Sgt Clayton E. Steaker	33320616	Inf	4 Jan 45
Pvt Joseph Lauranzana	36979395	Inf	4 Jan 45
Pvt Aloysius A. Boyle	33950804	Inf	4 Jan 45
Pvt Lon R. Spruill	34857497	Inf	4 Jan 45
Cpl Robert C. Hooie	20479534	Inf	4 Jan 45
Pvt Jerome M. Respler	42134492	Inf	4 Jan 45
Cpl Lee M. Rogers	19147441	Inf	4 Jan 45
Tec 5 Lee R. Johnson	34343608	FA	5 Jan 45
Cpl George F. Fisher	36511350	FA	5 Jan 45
1ST LT ARTHUR W. JARR	01167917	FA	5 Jan 45
Pvt Gumecindo Rivera	39287214	FΛ	5 Jan 45
8 Pvt John O. Bauer	37641523	Inf	5 Jan 45
B Pvt Day G. Turner	33611056	Inf	5 Jan 45
8 S Sgt Arvis B. Baker	38134646	Inf	5 Jan 45
BS Sgt Gilberto G. Montemayor	18154622	Inf	5 Jan 45
/st Pvt Charles L. Barnes	14022655	Inf	5 Jan 45
Pvt Harry Gartner	37597159	Inf	5 Jan 45
Pvt Richard P. Helling	37642688	Inf	5 Jan 45
S Sgt Thomas A. Kamens	36252748	Inf	
Tec 4 James W. McGregor	35313137		5 Jan 45
Tec 5 Ray R. Conner	14050350	Inf	5 Jan 45
F Pvt James E. Parkison		Inf	5 Jan 45
G Pvt Willard M. Harshman	32489342	Inf	5 Jan 45
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E Sgt Walter R. Breck	35312800	Inf	5 Jan 45
HPvt Jesse B. Hunter	34947631	Inf	5 Jan 45
EPvt Edward A. Houchin	38693406	Inf	5 Jan 45
FPvt Anthony A. Brusati	42077370	Inf	5 Jan 45

- X. So much of Section VI, General Orders Number 115, this Headquarters, dated 28 December 1944, pertaining to the Award of the Purple Heart, as reads "2D LT TIMOTHY W. BARRINEAU 0383108 Inf 23 Dec 44" is rescinded.
- XI. Section VI, General Orders Number 116, this Headquarters, dated 29 December 1944, as reads "pertaining to the Award of the Bronze Star" is amended to read "pertaining to the Award of the Silver Star".
- XII. So much of Section V, General Orders Number 1, this Headquarters, dated 1 January 1945, pertaining to the Award of the Purple Heart, as reads "T Sgt Buster Hazel 6271359 Inf 22 Dec 44" is rescinded.

By command of Major General McBRIDE:

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