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APO 80, U. S. Army

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SECTION

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I. 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:

Co G Henry Barcone, 42137616, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Germany on 21 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 21 February 1945, the rifle company with which Pfc Barcone was serving as a rifleman in an attack near Hommerdingen, Germany, was temporarily delayed by severe fire from an enemy position approximately seventy five yards distant. Realizing that many casualties would be inflicted upon his platoon if its fire continued, he charged the position firing as he ran, killing one, wounding another, and forcing two more to surrender. This courageous act by Pfc Barcone allowed his company to advance and win its objective. His bravery, aggressiveness, 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.

Edward H. Poring, 38203361, Tec 5, MD, 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, Tec 5 Poring, an aid man, was evacuating battle casualties near Kehmen, Luxembourg. Receiving word that an officer was wounded in the town he drove his vehicle to the injured man without hesitation despite the severe small arms and mortar fire directed at him. Disregarding the danger to himself, Tec 5 Poring placed the officer and another casualty, whom he located, on his vehicle and through heavy enemy fire evacuated them to safety. His courage, initiative, and supreme devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

Andrew E. Ciarniello, 35925398, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Luxembourg on 26 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 26 December 1944, Sgt Ciarniello, a mortar section leader, was detailed to support the entrance of a rifle platoon into the town of Scheidel, Luxembourg. The advance of the rifle platoon was hampered by small arms fire. Upon surveying the tactical situation Sgt Ciarniello determined that the use of mortars would endanger the lives of his comrades. Therefore, he secured an automatic rifle and without regard for his own safety advanced and so effectively fired on the enemy positions that their fire was neutralized. He then led the assault into the town until wounded. His bravery, leadership, and sincere devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

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CHARLES W. GARBUTT, 01299227, 1st Lt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Luxembourg on 25 and 26 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 25 January 1945, while Lt Garbutt, a company commander, was leading a five man reconnaissance patrol into Wilwerwiltz, Luxembourg, an enemy mine explosion injured two of his men. After treating the casualties and arranging for their evacuation, he completed his mission. Thereafter he led his company into the town, set up outpost positions, and sent out patrols in preparation for an attack on the following day. On 26 January 1945, Lt Garbutt led a platoon across the Clert River to establish a bridgehead, and then to spearhead the attack on the town of Pintsche, Luxembourg. The capture of the town came as a result of a skillfully executed flanking maneuver by the platoon led by Lt Garbutt. His conspicuous bravery, brilliant leadership, and devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Co F John R. Monahan, 7022657, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Germany on 22 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 22 February 1945, Sgt Monahan, accompanied by another soldier, was acting as a guide for his attacking company near Huttingen, Germany, when it was subjected to intense fire from an enemy position three hundred yards distant on the right flank. Fearlessly he crawled to a point seventy five yards from the enemy where he jumped to his feet and charged, firing his rifle. Part way to the enemy position he fell to the ground and threw hand grenades, killing several of the enemy and forcing twenty two soldiers and an officer to surrender. His aggressiveness, bravery, and sincere devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Ercole Olivetti, 33348119, Sgt, 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. During a violent enemy attack against Heiderscheid, Luxembourg, Sgt Olivetti, an infantry company communication sergeant, observed an enemy armored column approaching. Quickly he selected an advantageous position and calmly held his fire until enemy tanks had passed. Then he opened fire on enemy infantry troops, taking a heavy toll in wounded and killed. When threatened by three machine gun squads he annihilated two and forced the other to withdraw. His sound judgment and aggressiveness not only gave his comrades sufficient time to cope with the situation, but were responsible for the disorganization and rout of a superior enemy force. His resourcefulness, aggressiveness, and sincere devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Co D Michael J. Pelc, 33321143, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Belgium on 27 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack on Honville, Belgium, on 27 December 1944, the company in which S Sgt Pelc was serving as machine gun section leader, was temporarily delayed and subjected to intense machine gun fire from a well dug in enemy emplacement. After attempts to destroy the position with rifle and automatic fire had failed, S Sgt Pelc, voluntarily and with utter disregard for personal safety, crawled over one hundred yards of open terrain under severe hostile fire to assault the position singlehandedly. His audacious act was responsible for the capture of five enemy soldiers and the rapid advance of his company toward the objective. S Sgt Pelc's aggressiveness,

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courage, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Co E Gerald L. Schira, 36864243, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Germany on 16 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack on Weiskirchen, Germany, on 16 March 1945, Pfc Schira was serving as a rifleman with a company that was delayed by a well hidden enemy weapon. Immediately, Pfc Schira dropped to the street, attached a grenade to his rifle, and, despite the intense fire directed at him, destroyed the enemy position. Later in the same day when the company was again delayed by enemy fire he fearlessly retrieved an automatic rifle of a fallen comrade, and returned fire causing their surrender. His boldness, initiative, and sincere devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Michigan.

Co G Clarence H. Schnorenberg, 36806706, S Sgt (then Cpl), Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Germany on 18 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 18 February 1945, S Sgt Schnorenberg was acting as platoon sergeant of the rear guard platoon of a rifle company in the attack on Hommerdingen, Germany. During the course of the attack the company had passed a well camouflaged enemy position which threatened to inflict severe casualties from the rear. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, S Sgt Schnorenberg, alone and unassisted, courageously charged the position through withering fire. Using his rifle and hand grenades, he killed two, wounded four, and captured ten enemy soldiers, thereby saving his company many casualties. His bravery, aggressiveness, and sincere devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Conrad L. Reaves, 38629449, 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, an enemy attack on Farbersviller, France, penetrated the outer perimeter of a battalion defensive position and threatened friendly artillery positions. When his platoon leader and platoon sergeant were wounded, S Sgt Reaves, a squad leader, immediately assumed command and rallied his men to withstand an enemy force of approximately one hundred infantrymen and five tanks. As a result of S Sgt Reaves' outstanding leadership and initiative, the enemy was delayed and the artillery positions protected until friendly tanks repulsed the attack. His 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 Texas.

George H. Van Veghel, 36252915, S Sgt (then Tec 4), MD, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France on 13 and 14 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 13 September 1944, near Loisy, France, S Sgt Van Veghel, an aid man with a rifle company, evacuated five seriously wounded men by carrying them on his back over a mile of rough ground constantly under fire. On the following day, when he and a litter bearer were threatened by an armed enemy soldier, S Sgt Van Veghel fearlessly attacked and subdued him. Later in crossing a river the litter bearer was about to drown when S Sgt Van Veghel promptly risked his life to save him. His fearlessness and unselfish devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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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 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>
Cpl Edward R. Miller	33304714	Inf	18 Mar 45
Pfc Felix S. Blair	34343012	Inf	13 Apr 45
✓ Pfc Nicholas L. Gomez	13073804	Inf	13 Apr 45

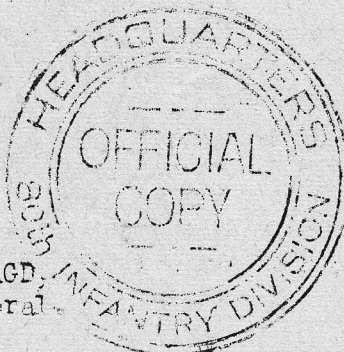
III. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART (OAK LEAF CLUSTER): By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, in addition to the Purple Heart previously awarded, a bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded the following named personnel for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Germany on dates indicated:

Pfc Joe L. Martinez	36975030	Inf	18 Feb 45
Pvt Calvin W. Smith	36977836	Inf	28 Mar 45
S Sgt Umberto L. Tomassone	13200068	Inf	28 Mar 45
S Sgt Paul Hendricks	38003104	Inf	28 Mar 45
Pvt Glenn C. Fields	34913950	Inf	11 Apr 45
Pfc Garnette R. Smiley	33886208	Inf	11 Apr 45
S Sgt Virgil S. Burks	37211862	Inf	11 Apr 45
Pfc Patsy A. Aiezza Jr	32739686	Inf	11 Apr 45
Pfc James M. Longlott	35426180	Inf	12 Apr 45
Sgt Ralph M. Wells	6929024	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pfc Joseph W. Kircher	42023421	Inf	12 Apr 45
✓ Pfc Clyde Sims	35816861	Inf	12 Apr 45
✓ S Sgt Glen A. Sadler	35386412	Inf	12 Apr 45
✓ Pfc Clyde L. Williams	37361156	Inf	13 Apr 45
✓ CAPT CYRUS C. ADDAMS JR	01296790	Inf	13 Apr 45
✓ Pfc Cornelius J. Condon	12189325	Inf	13 Apr 45
S Sgt Harold B. Simmons	33757161	Armd	13 Apr 45
1ST LT WILLIAM H. PAXSON	01304782	Inf	13 Apr 45

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

<u>RANK AND NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ARM OR SERVICE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Pfc Oliver L. Blackburn	35223109	Inf	23 Feb 45
Sgt Dominick J. Palmietto	32632276	Inf	23 Mar 45
Tec 5 Thomas W. Pettengill	31110882	MD	23 Mar 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:

Pfc John P. Dixon	37734799	Inf	10 Feb 45
Pvt Robert J. Burke	34867285	Inf	10 Feb 45
1ST LT CARL W. CARLSON	01304680	Inf	14 Feb 45
1st Sgt Doyle V. Jones	35035452	Inf	18 Feb 45
Pfc Charles B. Fisher	35750941	Inf	18 Feb 45
Sgt Frank Rankin	31469815	Inf	18 Feb 45
Pfc Robert C. Sharpe	13062704	Inf	18 Feb 45
S Sgt Leland W. Holland Jr	39588217	Inf	18 Feb 45
S Sgt Nicholas Makris	34320121	Inf	2 Mar 45
Pfc Edward L. Harris	34968832	MD	2 Mar 45
Pfc Burnie W. Sheridan	36876733	Inf	13 Mar 45
Pfc Charles J. Oakes	12203410	Inf	13 Mar 45
Tec 5 Sollic Triffler	36729717	MD	15 Mar 45
Pfc John E. Winklepleck	35576461	FA	15 Mar 45
Sgt Peter F. Misco	42140248	Inf	17 Mar 45
Sgt Edmond F. Noradki	32666656	Inf	20 Mar 45
Pfc Bernice W. Bullard	6399577	Inf	24 Mar 45
Pfc Harold Caplan	37735178	Inf	25 Mar 45
Sgt Samuel J. Corden	33254021	Inf	25 Mar 45
T Sgt Donald R. Kowalewski	37530637	Inf	27 Mar 45
Pfc Richard H. Eichelbacher	35471977	MD	28 Mar 45
Cpl Herman W. Fisher	13086412	Inf	30 Mar 45
Tec 5 Lawrence Placone	33302169	Inf	30 Mar 45
Pfc Peter B. Lawlis	6397353	Inf	30 Mar 45
Pvt James P. Knize	35837732	Inf	30 Mar 45
Pfc Louis F. Walterbusch	35239984	Inf	11 Apr 45
Sgt Howard D. Anderson	37119028	Inf	11 Apr 45
Cpl Edward W. Minnock	11063693	Inf	11 Apr 45
A Pfc Charles R. Albanese	31345888	Inf	11 Apr 45
Cpl William W. Gillespie	42186476	Inf	11 Apr 45
S Sgt Harold T. Deselms	35385472	Inf	12 Apr 45
Tec 5 John E. Mosher	35464400	Inf	12 Apr 45

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<u>RANK AND NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ARM OR SERVICE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
2D LT ELI SELIKOFF	01170186	FA	12 Apr 45
Tec 5 Armand D. Duval	31045462	Inf	12 Apr 45
2D LT EDWIN A. PAPP	01331326	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pfc Melvin M. Gennis	36968563	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pvt David Andrews Jr	42005375	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pfc Joseph H. Wallace	44036811	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pfc Ned A. York	39345916	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pfc Dalton F. Parnell	44046577	Inf	12 Apr 45
Sgt Hugh G. Oliver	35796538	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pfc Edgar J. Lucas	38207385	Inf	12 Apr 45
Tec 5 Fred W. Parker	12005934	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pfc Herbert C. Meinke	39143279	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pfc Allen H. Sneed	35483669	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pfc Charles R. Weeks	38263887	Inf	12 Apr 45
T Sgt Robert L. Rumpy	39927270	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pfc Edward W. Rufflin	34836164	Inf	12 Apr 45
1ST LT CHARLES E. SCHROEDER	01016079	Armd	12 Apr 45
Pvt Sammie Cole	35817047	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pfc John R. Herring	6394831	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pvt Layton F. Harris	35816869	Inf	12 Apr 45
Tec 5 Carl J. Tranell	33354482	Inf	12 Apr 45
S Sgt Herman C. Speck	33756827	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pfc David L. Bixler	33950635	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pfc Jack F. Bivens	34997032	Inf	12 Apr 45
Pvt Edwin M. Bogacz	36906589	Inf	13 Apr 45
LT COL JOHN P. WOODS	01295686	Inf	13 Apr 45
Pfc James R. Walker	35845470	Inf	13 Apr 45
Pfc Glenn E. Nichols	35082055	Inf	13 Apr 45
C Pfc Paul A. Winland	35072773	Inf	13 Apr 45
B Pfc Juan R. Lopez	38143824	Inf	13 Apr 45
B S Sgt John Sloan	39849810	Inf	13 Apr 45
Pfc Walter M. Bill	42106859	Inf	13 Apr 45
B Pvt Joseph E. Boland	42175763	Inf	13 Apr 45
B Pfc Shirley W. Rothra	42109864	Inf	13 Apr 45
S Sgt Nathan L. Tagmeyer	35330059	Inf	13 Apr 45
B Pvt Harry L. McLaughlin	36722667	Inf	13 Apr 45
B Pfc Donald J. Watson	36444319	Inf	13 Apr 45
B Pvt John M. Turcic	42175256	Inf	13 Apr 45
S Sgt Martin S. Padilla	38581142	Inf	13 Apr 45
I 2D LT JAMES W. CLARK	01326740	Inf	14 Apr 45
Pvt Andrew P. Ramsey	37597174	Inf	28 Mar 45
Sgt Carl S. Valenti	13035588	Inf	28 Mar 45
Pvt Alva H. Deemer Sr	35845312	Armd	15 Apr 45
Cpl Otto H. Hackman	35476050	FA	15 Apr 45
G Pfc Thomas J. Fitzsimmons	31389797	Inf	15 Apr 45
G Pfc Elvin D. French	33887420	Inf	15 Apr 45
F Pvt Harold W. Siverd	33948780	Inf	15 Apr 45
A Pvt Harold M. Gerhardt	36510315	Inf	16 Apr 45

VI. Section V, General Orders Number 99, this Headquarters, dated 10 April 1945, awarding the Purple Heart Medal to S Sgt George L. Basham 35482938 Inf, is amended to award enlisted man the bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart.

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VII. Section V, General Orders Number 103, this Headquarters, dated 14 April 1945, awarding the Purple Heart Medal to Pvt Gustave H. Voss 20260366 CAC, is amended to award enlisted man the bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart.

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