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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:

Robert S. Kalish, 31341846, Tec 4 (then Pvt), MD, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France during the period 9 - 13 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 9 - 13 September 1944, during the fighting near the Moselle River, in France, Tec 4 Kalish repeatedly distinguished himself in performing his duties as an aid man. Fearlessly advancing beyond friendly lines in search of wounded, he was twice captured by the enemy. While a prisoner on 13 September 1944, he rendered vital assistance to two seriously wounded comrades who had also been captured. Subsequently he adroitly obtained the release of himself and the two wounded men together with a vehicle to transport them to friendly lines. His fearless, skillful, and tireless devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Connecticut.

II. 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 personnel:

WILLIAM E. CLARK, 01017663, 2d Lt, Inf (Armd), Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 15 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 15 September 1944, Lt Clark led his platoon of light tanks on the high ground southwest of St Genevieve, France, to assist in holding the division bridgehead across the Moselle River. Informed that enemy tanks were approaching the right flank of his position, Lt Clark crawled through heavy small arms, mortar, and artillery fire to a good observation point. He maintained this post, despite heavy hostile artillery fire, thereby protecting his platoon from surprise attack until he was killed by enemy fire. His action contributed substantially to the successful defense of the bridgehead. The personal bravery, leadership, and devotion to duty displayed by Lt Clark exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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III. 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:

Wayne A. Gardner, 38118997, S Sgt, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 16 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 16 March 1945, S Sgt Gardner was a member of a medical team which gained entrance to the village of Weiskirchen, Germany, at the height of the bitter defense offered by the enemy troops. Working continuously for the next fourteen hours he again and again exposed himself to the raking crossfire blanketing the streets of the village as he steadfastly continued his heroic service of treating and evacuating the wounded. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by S Sgt Gardner are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

IV. 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:

Forrest E. Allen, 35692030, Sgt, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 22 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During an attack on Hommerdingen, Germany, Sgt Allen, gunner on a tank destroyer, displayed conspicuous initiative when he assumed the position of gun commander while the platoon leader was manning a .50 caliber machine gun, and knocked out one enemy self-propelled gun and one enemy towed gun, which had troops of friendly infantry pinned down by their incessant fire. His courageous action permitted the infantry and other tank destroyers to safely withdraw from extremely dangerous positions. The bravery, initiative, and devotion to duty displayed by Sgt Allen are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Thomas W. Coulson, 35720837, Pfc, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 22 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During an attack on Hommerdingen, Germany, Pfc Coulson, cannoneer on a tank destroyer, displayed conspicuous initiative when he assisted in the destruction of one enemy self-propelled gun and one enemy towed gun, while his platoon leader manned a .50 caliber machine gun. This action by Pfc Coulson assisted in removing a serious threat to the infantry and other tank destroyers and permitted them to withdraw safely. The bravery, initiative, and devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Coulson are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

SV James K. Head, 38732065, Pvt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany during the period 7 - 10 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the perilous crossing of the Our River and assault on the Siegfried Line in Germany on 7 February 1945, and the three days thereafter, Pvt Head drove his tractor

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to and from the river bank while under severe enemy artillery, rocket, and small arms fire. His untiring actions contributed immeasurably in the evacuation of almost one hundred casualties and the supplying of vitally needed ammunition, rations, and medical and signal equipment. Pvt Head's aggressiveness, courage, and constant devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Su Otto W. Hess, 38732084, Pvt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany during the period 7 - 10 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the perilous crossing of the Our River and assault on the Siegfried Line in Germany on 7 February 1945, and the three days thereafter, Pvt Hess drove his tractor to and from the river bank while under severe enemy artillery, rocket, and small arms fire. His untiring actions contributed immeasurably in the evacuation of almost one hundred casualties and the supplying of vitally needed ammunition, rations, and medical and signal equipment. Pvt Hess' aggressiveness, courage, and constant devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Su Royal C. Honnold, 39478880, Pvt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany during the period 7 - 10 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the perilous crossing of the Our River and assault on the Siegfried Line in Germany on 7 February 1945, and the three days thereafter, Pvt Honnold drove his tractor to and from the river bank while under severe enemy artillery, rocket, and small arms fire. His untiring actions contributed immeasurably in the evacuation of almost one hundred casualties and the supplying of vitally needed ammunition, rations, and medical and signal equipment. Pvt Honnold's aggressiveness, courage, and constant devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Washington.

Robert J. Lucas, 32491959, Pfc, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 16 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 16 March 1945, Pfc Lucas was a member of a medical team which gained entrance to the village of Weiskirchen, Germany, at the height of the bitter defense offered by the enemy troops. Working continuously for the next fourteen hours he again and again exposed himself to the raking crossfire blanketing the streets of the village as he steadfastly continued his heroic service of treating and evacuating the wounded. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Lucas are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Richmond G. Nutt, Jr, 38106943, Tec 4, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 16 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 16 March 1945, Tec 4 Nutt was a member of a medical team which gained entrance to the village of Weiskirchen, Germany, at the height of the bitter defense offered by the enemy troops.

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Working continuously for the next fourteen hours, he again and again exposed himself to the raking crossfire blanketing the streets of the village as he steadfastly continued his heroic service of treating and evacuating the wounded. The heroic courage and devotion to duty displayed by Tec 4 Nutt are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

✓ Albert Reagan, 38711708, Pvt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany during the period 7 - 10 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the perilous crossing of the Our River and assault on the Siegfried Line in Germany on 7 February 1945, and the three days thereafter, Pvt Reagan drove his tractor to and from the river bank while under severe enemy artillery, rocket, and small arms fire. His untiring actions contributed immeasurably in the evacuation of almost one hundred casualties and the supplying of vitally needed ammunition, rations, and medical and signal equipment. Pvt Reagan's aggressiveness, courage, and constant devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

WILLIE C. SAMS, JR, 0885633, 2d Lt (then Tec 4), MAC, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 16 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 16 March 1945, Lt Sams was a member of a medical team which gained entrance to the village of Weiskirchen, Germany, at the height of the bitter defense offered by the enemy troops. Working continuously for the next fourteen hours he again and again exposed himself to the raking crossfire blanketing the streets of the village as he steadfastly continued his heroic service of treating and evacuating the wounded. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Lt Sams are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Tennessee.

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V. 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:

Leslie Johnson, 34631423, Pfc, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 16 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 16 March 1945, Pfc Johnson was a member of a medical team which gained entrance to the village of Weiskirchen, Germany, at the height of the bitter defense offered by the enemy troops. Working continuously for the next fourteen hours he again and again exposed himself to the raking crossfire blanketing the streets of the village as he steadfastly continued his heroic service of treating and evacuating the wounded. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Johnson are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Mississippi. MAJ

Lewis D. Shrader, 35645324, Tec 5, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 22 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During an attack on Hommerdingen, Germany, Tec 5 Shrader, driver of a tank destroyer, displayed conspicuous initiative when he assisted in the destruction of one enemy self-propelled gun and one enemy towed gun, while his platoon leader manned a .50 caliber machine gun. This action by Tec 5 Shrader assisted in removing a serious threat to the infantry and other tank destroyers and permitted them to withdraw safely. The bravery, initiative, and devotion to duty displayed by Tec 5 Shrader are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from West Virginia. FCJ

Ray L. Skiles, 35828013, Pvt, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 16 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 16 March 1945, Pvt Skiles was a member of a medical team which gained entrance to the village of Weiskirchen, Germany, at the height of the bitter defense offered by the enemy troops. Working continuously for the next fourteen hours he again and again exposed himself to the raking crossfire blanketing the streets of the village as he steadfastly continued his heroic service of treating and evacuating the wounded. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Pvt Skiles are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana. MAJ

Lowell L. Smith, 37104766, (M Sgt) Armd, Army of the United States. For meritorious service in France, Luxembourg, and Germany during the period 6 August 1944, to 20 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Arkansas. MSGT

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Peter J. Yaremich, 31009283, T Sgt, Armd, Army of the United States. ✓
For meritorious service in France, Luxembourg, and Germany during the period
6 August 1944, to 20 March 1945, in connection with military operations against
an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Connecticut.

VI. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: By direction of the President, under the pro-
visions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the
Purple Heart is awarded Pvt Alfred C. Rinne, 37633969, Inf, for wounds received
as a result of enemy action in France on 11 November 1944.

VII. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: By direction of the President, under the pro-
visions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the
Purple Heart is awarded Field Director Harold J. Andersen, 13026, ARC, for
wounds received as a result of enemy action in Germany on 18 April 1945. *Red cross*

VIII. Section VIII, General Orders Number 115, this Headquarters, dated 28
December 1944, is amended to delete the name of "Pvt Joseph S. Palka 42143181
Inf 25 Dec 44".

IX. Section V, General Orders Number 105, this Headquarters, dated 17
April 1945, is amended to delete the name of "Pvt Harold M. Gerhardt 36510315
Inf 16 Apr 45".

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