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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 personnel:

Paschal J. O'Brein, 32580651, Pvt, MD, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Germany on 21 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 21 March 1945, Pvt O'Brein, served as an aid man with the infantry point of an armored column driving into Clausen, Germany. As the point approached the village, heavy enemy fire caused casualties who fell on the road in full view of the enemy. Pvt O'Brein, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, gave assistance to the wounded men in spite of the severe enemy crossfire which mortally wounded him as he performed his duties. Pvt O'Brein's courage, bravery, and supreme devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

II. 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:

Frank E. Angellini, 31430291, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Germany on 3 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 3 April 1945, during the attack on Neiderzwehern, Germany, S Sgt Angellini encountered heavy enemy opposition from a road block within the town. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, S Sgt Angellini crawled under the road block in the face of enemy sniper and rocket fire. Observing an enemy rocket team, he destroyed it with a grenade. Continuing on, he dashed fifty yards to the nearest building where he captured fourteen enemy soldiers. Guarding his prisoners, he continued to snipe at the enemy, allowing his company to establish a bridgehead beyond the road block. The gallant courage and untiring devotion to duty displayed by S Sgt Angellini are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Malcolm L. Bailey, 34087880, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Germany on 21 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During an assault near Wal-fishbach, Germany, on 21 March 1945, Sgt Bailey, an assistant rifle squad leader, saw a seriously wounded officer fall in a position exposed to enemy fire.

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Disregarding the personal danger, Sgt Bailey and a companion ran to the injured officer, and, after rendering first aid, returned through enemy fire to secure a litter which they used to evacuate him. Sgt Bailey's courage, initiative, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Georgia.

Pasquale J. Gilberto, Jr, 42073753, Sgt (then Pvt), Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Germany on 21 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During an assault near Wulfishbach, Germany, on 21 March 1945, Pvt Gilberto, a rifleman, saw a seriously wounded officer fall in a position exposed to enemy fire. Disregarding the personal danger, Pvt Gilberto and a companion ran to the injured officer and, after rendering first aid, returned through enemy fire to secure a litter which they used to evacuate him. Pvt Gilberto's courage, initiative, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

JAKE D. HODGES, 0533446, 1st Lt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Germany on 29 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 29 March 1945, while making a reconnaissance near Rambach, Germany, Lt Hodges, an executive officer of a heavy weapons company, discovered an enemy company eating breakfast in a wooded area. While returning to report the information to the battalion command post, Lt Hodges located a friendly rifle company which he led in an attack on the enemy position, killing ten and capturing sixty five enemy soldiers without a casualty. The initiative, courage, and devotion to duty displayed by Lt Hodges are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

TANDY E. JACKSON, 01315318, Capt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Germany on 4 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near Niederzerf, Germany, on 4 March 1945, Capt Jackson, a heavy weapons company commander, volunteered to locate and establish contact with a rifle company which had become separated from the battalion. A patrol previously sent out with the same mission had been driven back by heavy enemy opposition. Alone, Capt Jackson infiltrated through enemy held woods, encountering eight sentries, four of whom he killed and four he captured. He successfully located the company and led them to a position from which they could maintain contact with the battalion. The inspiring courage and exemplary aggressiveness displayed by Capt Jackson are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Miguel A. Ramirez, 38217506, Pfc, MD, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in Germany on 19 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 19 March 1945, during an assault near Wershweiler, Germany, Pvt Ramirez, an aid man, administered first aid to an enemy soldier and on questioning him learned the location of an enemy dugout. Alone and unarmed he entered the German position and convinced the occupants that resistance was futile. By capturing these men, Pvt Ramirez reduced by a marked degree the resistance encountered by his platoon. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Pvt Ramirez are in keeping with the highest

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traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

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:

D Everett Gifford, 35460573, Cpl, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg and Germany on 8 and 9 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 8 and 9 February 1945, while an infantry battalion was establishing a bridgehead across the Our River into the Siegfried Line on the German-Luxembourg border, the route of supply and river crossing area was constantly under heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire. Cpl Gifford, a transportation corporal of a heavy weapons company, disregarding the extreme danger and his own personal safety, helped load and transport supplies across the swift river and to evacuate many casualties on return trips. By courageously working to facilitate the flow of supplies to the bridgehead Cpl Gifford immeasurably aided in the success of the battalion. His courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

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:

D Leland O. Alseth, 36251405, Tec 4, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg and Germany on 8 and 9 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 8 and 9 February 1945, while an infantry battalion was establishing a bridgehead across the Our River into the Siegfried Line on the German-Luxembourg border, the route of supply and river crossing area was constantly under heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire. Tec 4 Alseth, motor mechanic of a heavy weapons company, disregarding the extreme danger and his own personal safety, helped load and transport supplies across the swift river and to evacuate many casualties on return trips. By courageously working to facilitate the flow of supplies to the bridgehead, Tec 4 Alseth immeasurably aided in the success of the battalion. His courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

D Gerald E. Aull, 35114479, Tec 4 (then Cpl), Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg and Germany on 8 and 9 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 8 and 9 February 1945, while an infantry battalion was establishing a bridgehead across the Our River into the Siegfried Line on the German-Luxembourg border, the route of supply and river crossing area was constantly under heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire. Tec 4 Aull, then a transportation corporal of a heavy weapons company, disregarding the extreme danger and his own personal safety, helped load and transport supplies across the swift river

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and to evacuate many casualties on return trips. By courageously working to facilitate the flow of supplies to the bridgehead, Tec 4 Aull immeasurably aided in the success of the battalion. His courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.

D George W. Brown, 33320304, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg and Germany on 8 and 9 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 8 and 9 February 1945, while an infantry battalion was establishing a bridgehead across the Our River into the Siegfried Line on the German-Luxembourg border, the route of supply and river crossing area was constantly under heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire. Sgt Brown, a transportation sergeant of a heavy weapons company, disregarding the extreme danger and his own personal safety, helped load and transport supplies across the swift river and to evacuate many casualties on return trips. By courageously working to facilitate the flow of supplies to the bridgehead, Sgt Brown immeasurably aided in the success of the battalion. His courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

William R. Dixon, 31252494, Tec 5, Inf, 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, when the battalion forward elements were encircled in Weiskirchen, Germany, Tec 5 Dixon, as a member of a five man wire crew, voluntarily infiltrated the enemy lines to establish communications to the embattled units. For twenty hours at great personal risk he aided in maintaining the communication lines and on five occasions engaged in fire fights with the enemy. During one skirmish, Tec 5 Dixon and his companions killed seven and captured twelve enemy soldiers. Tec 5 Dixon's courage, bravery, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Connecticut.

D Samuel E. Douglas, 39392342, Cpl, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg and Germany on 8 and 9 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 8 and 9 February 1945, while an infantry battalion was establishing a bridgehead across the Our River into the Siegfried Line on the German-Luxembourg border, the route of supply and river crossing area was constantly under heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire. Cpl Douglas, a transportation corporal of a heavy weapons company, disregarding the extreme danger and his own personal safety, helped load and transport supplies across the swift river and to evacuate many casualties on return trips. By courageously working to facilitate the flow of supplies to the bridgehead, Cpl Douglas immeasurably aided in the success of the battalion. His courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.

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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:

D Lonnie Edwards, 34335133, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg and Germany on 8 and 9 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 8 and 9 February 1945, while an infantry battalion was establishing a bridgehead across the Our River into the Siegfried Line on the German-Luxembourg border, the route of supply and river crossing area was constantly under heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire. Pfc Edwards, messenger of a heavy weapons company, disregarding the extreme danger and his own personal safety, helped load and transport supplies across the swift river and to evacuate many casualties on return trips. By courageously working to facilitate the flow of supplies to the bridgehead, Pfc Edwards immeasurably aided in the success of the battalion. His courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Alabama.

D John V. Frank, Jr, 35311940, Tec 4, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg and Germany on 8 and 9 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 8 and 9 February 1945, while an infantry battalion was establishing a bridgehead across the Our River into the Siegfried Line on the German-Luxembourg border, the route of supply and river crossing area was constantly under heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire. Tec 4 Frank, first cook of a heavy weapons company, disregarding the extreme danger and his own personal safety, helped load and transport supplies across the swift river and to evacuate many casualties on return trips. By courageously working to facilitate the flow of supplies to the bridgehead, Tec 4 Frank immeasurably aided in the success of the battalion. His courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Paul L. Grover, 33253657, Pfc, Inf, 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, when the battalion forward elements were encircled in Weiskirchen, Germany, Pfc Grover, as a member of a five man wire crew, voluntarily infiltrated the enemy lines to establish communications to the embattled units. For twenty hours at great personal risk he aided in maintaining the communication lines and on five occasions engaged in fire fights with the enemy. During one skirmish, Pfc Grover and his companions killed seven and captured twelve enemy soldiers. Pfc Grover's courage, bravery, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Lloyd Jonnes, Jr, 12130841, S Sgt, Inf, 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. During an assault on Weiskirchen, Germany, on 16 March 1945, the heavy weapons platoon in which S Sgt Jonnes served as a squad leader, was ambushed by forty enemy soldiers who had been by-passed in the swift advance. After taking cover to fight the foe, S Sgt Jonnes observed a wounded comrade lying in an exposed position. Despite the danger from the intense fire directed at him, he and two other soldiers ran to the injured man and carried him over seventy five yards of open terrain to safety and medical aid. S Sgt Jonnes' courage, 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 New York.

Ray Majka, 32032025, Cpl, Inf, 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. During an assault on Weiskirchen, Germany, on 16 March 1945, the heavy weapons platoon in which Cpl Majka served as a mortar gunner, was ambushed by forty enemy soldiers who had been by-passed in the swift advance. After taking cover to fight the foe, Cpl Majka observed a wounded comrade lying in an exposed position. Despite the danger from the intense fire directed at him, he and two other soldiers ran to the injured man and carried him over seventy five yards of open terrain to safety and medical aid. Cpl Majka's courage, 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 New York.

Philip J. Misitano, 33247224, T Sgt, Inf, 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. During an assault on Weiskirchen, Germany, on 16 March 1945, the heavy weapons platoon in which T Sgt Misitano served as a platoon sergeant, was ambushed by forty enemy soldiers who had been by-passed in the swift advance. After taking cover to fight the foe, T Sgt Misitano observed a wounded comrade lying in an exposed position. Despite the danger from the intense fire directed at him, he and two other soldiers ran to the injured man and carried him over seventy five yards of open terrain to safety and medical aid. T Sgt Misitano's courage, 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 Pennsylvania.

D Charles H. Mosser, 33081516, Tec 4, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg and Germany on 8 and 9 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 8 and 9 February 1945, while an infantry battalion was establishing a bridgehead across the Our River into the Siegfried Line on the German-Luxembourg border, the route of supply and river crossing area was constantly under heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire. Tec 4 Mosser, first cook of a heavy weapons company, disregarding the extreme danger and his own personal safety, helped load and transport supplies across the swift river and to evacuate many casualties on return trips. By courageously working to facilitate the flow of supplies to the bridgehead, Tec 4 Mosser immeasurably aided in the success of the battalion. His courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Gregory H. Neteler, 35677391, Pfc, Inf, 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, when the battalion forward elements were encircled in Weiskirchen, Germany, Pfc Neteler, as a member of a five man wire crew, voluntarily infiltrated the enemy lines to establish communications to the embattled units. For twenty hours, at great personal risk, he aided in maintaining the communication lines and on five occasions engaged in fire fights with the enemy. During one skirmish, Pfc Neteler and his companions, killed seven and captured twelve enemy soldiers. Pfc Neteler's courage, bravery, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Emil D. Shifferly, 35330475, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg and Germany on 8 and 9 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 8 and 9 February 1945, while an infantry battalion was establishing a bridgehead across the Our River into the Siegfried line on the German-Luxembourg border, the route of supply and river crossing area was constantly under heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire. Pfc Shifferly, driver in a heavy weapons company, disregarding the extreme danger and his own personal safety, helped load and transport supplies across the swift river and to evacuate many casualties on return trips. By courageously working to facilitate the flow of supplies to the bridgehead, Pfc Shifferly immeasurably aided in the success of the battalion. His courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

Alonzo T. Stanga, Jr, 38495783, Pfc, Inf, 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, when the battalion forward elements were encircled in Weiskirchen, Germany, Pfc Stanga, as a member of a five man wire crew, voluntarily infiltrated the enemy lines to establish communications to the embattled units. For twenty hours, at great personal risk, he aided in maintaining the communication lines and on five occasions engaged in fire fights with the enemy. During one skirmish, Pfc Stanga, and his companions, killed seven and captured twelve enemy soldiers. Pfc Stanga's courage, bravery, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Malcolm Weinstein, 33337028, Pfc, Inf, 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, when the battalion forward elements were encircled in Weiskirchen, Germany, Pfc Weinstein, as a member of a five man wire crew, voluntarily infiltrated the enemy lines to establish communications to the embattled units. For twenty hours, at great personal risk, he aided in maintaining the communication lines and on five occasions engaged in fire fights with the enemy. During one skirmish Pfc Weinstein and his companions killed seven and captured twelve enemy soldiers. Pfc Weinstein's courage, bravery, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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D John J. Yurina, 33355154, Cpl (then Pfc), Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg and Germany on 8 and 9 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 8 and 9 February 1945, while an infantry battalion was establishing a bridgehead across the Our River into the Siegfried Line on the German-Luxembourg border, the route of supply and river crossing area was constantly under heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire. Pfc Yurina, driver in a heavy weapons company, disregarding the extreme danger and his own personal safety, helped load and transport supplies across the swift river and to evacuate many casualties on return trips. By courageously working to facilitate the flow of supplies to the bridgehead, Pfc Yurina immeasurably aided in the success of the battalion. His courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

H Joseph F. Reddington, 33354673, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 8 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the assault across the swollen Our River into the Siegfried Line on 8 February 1945, Sgt Reddington, a machine gun section leader, took charge of evacuating the casualties of the battalion to the aid station set up on the Luxembourg side of the river. Although the boats were sunk several times by the intense artillery falling in the area, he personally saved the men from drowning and continued evacuating wounded men throughout the operation. Such courage, bravery, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

VI. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL (OAK LEAF CLUSTER): By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-15, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, in addition to the Air Medal and four bronze Oak Leaf Clusters previously awarded, a fifth bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded the following named personnel:

LOUIS J. HAVENLANDT, 01175734, 1st Lt, FA, Army of the United States. For meritorious achievement in Germany during the period 17 March 1945, to 12 April 1945, as an Artillery Aerial Observer 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 Montana.

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