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I. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE: Under the provisions of Circular 345, War Department, dated 23 August 1944, the Service Battery, 314th Field Artillery Battalion, 80th Infantry Division, is awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque for superior performance of duty, achievement, and maintenance of a high standard of discipline during the period 8 August 1944, to 8 May 1945.

II. AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded the following named personnel:

James L. Bargerhuff, 35099172, Pfc, 702d Tank Battalion, Army of the United States. For heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy in Luxembourg on 3 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 3 February 1945, a fire accidentally broke out in a large gasoline supply point located in Reuland, Luxembourg. Pfc Bargerhuff, a bow gunner of a tank battalion, perceiving the danger to the community and possible loss of vital supplies to the Army joined a party in moving the burning cans of gasoline from the rest of the supply. By completely disregarding the dangers of their task and by working swiftly Pfc Bargerhuff and the others of the detail saved many lives and much valuable property. His courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

Francis J. Camerini, 33621708, Tec 4, 702d Tank Battalion, Army of the United States. For heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy in Luxembourg on 3 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 3 February 1945, a fire accidentally broke out in a large gasoline supply point located in Reuland, Luxembourg. Tec 4 Camerini, a tank driver, perceiving the danger to the community and possible loss of vital supplies to the Army joined a party in moving the burning cans of gasoline from the rest of the supply. By completely disregarding the dangers of their task and by working swiftly Tec 4 Camerini and the others of the detail saved many lives and much valuable property. 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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Robert W. Donohoe, 35932106, Sgt (then Cpl), 702d Tank Battalion, Army of the United States. For heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy in Luxembourg on 3 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 3 February 1945, a fire accidentally broke out in a large gasoline supply point located in Reuland, Luxembourg. Sgt Donohoe, a tank gunner, perceiving the danger to the community and possible loss of vital supplies to the Army joined a party in moving the burning cans of gasoline from the rest of the supply. By completely disregarding the dangers of their task and by working swiftly Sgt Donohoe and the others of the detail saved many lives and much valuable property. His courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from West Virginia.

John A. Suglio, 31121151, 1st Sgt, 702d Tank Battalion, Army of the United States. For heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy in Luxembourg on 3 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 3 February 1945, a fire accidentally broke out in a large gasoline supply point located in Reuland, Luxembourg. 1st Sgt Suglio, member of a tank battalion, perceiving the danger to the community and possible loss of vital supplies to the Army immediately organized a party and moved the burning cans of gasoline from the rest of the supply. By completely disregarding the dangers of their task and by working swiftly 1st Sgt Suglio and the others of the detail saved many lives and much valuable property. His courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Connecticut.

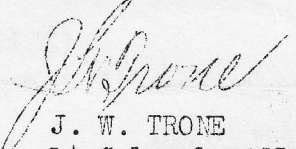
Mickey Zinkovich, 35578394, Pfc, 702d Tank Battalion, Army of the United States. For heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy in Luxembourg on 3 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 3 February 1945, a fire accidentally broke out in a large gasoline supply point located in Reuland, Luxembourg. Pfc Zinkovich, a tank cannoneer, perceiving the danger to the community and possible loss of vital supplies to the Army joined a party in moving the burning cans of gasoline from the rest of the supply. By completely disregarding the dangers of their task and by working swiftly Pfc Zinkovich and the others of the detail saved many lives and much valuable property. His courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

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III. 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:

✓ Robert J. Bouck, 16108721, S Sgt, Hq Co 3d Bn, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 12 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 12 September 1944, S Sgt Bouck, a battalion supply sergeant, was detailed to meet a group of reinforcements at the regimental headquarters near Dieulouard, France, and conduct them to the battalion. On his arrival S Sgt Bouck was given charge of sixty untried reinforcements with the mission of repelling an enemy counterattack aimed at the Regimental Command Post. For three hours the new reinforcements, encouraged by S Sgt Bouck's calm leadership, held the enemy at bay until additional reinforcements arrived and helped them drive off the enemy. S Sgt Bouck's courage, inspiring leadership, and loyal devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Michigan. Sgt

✓ Liborio E. Cacicio, 31015968, Sgt, Co G, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 14 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 14 March 1945, the company in which Sgt Cacicio served as a machine gun section sergeant occupied a temporary defensive position near Grimerath, Germany. Observing enemy infantry about one hundred yards from his position, Sgt Cacicio, on his own initiative, deployed his machine guns and opened fire so effectively at the enemy that they were unable to escape. After a short flanking move had been made the company captured forty three enemy soldiers, two officers, an 88mm gun, an anti-aircraft gun, five machine guns, and an enemy truck. Sgt Cacicio's skill, initiative, and devotion to duty was largely responsible for the success of the operation and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Massachusetts. MAR

✓ Don Castle, 6987981, Pfc, MD, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 21 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While closely supporting a rifle company in an attack on Huttingen, Germany, on 21 February 1945, the mortar platoon to which Pfc Castle was attached as an aid man received such heavy small arms fire that it was forced to change firing positions, leaving a number of casualties behind. Litter bearers could not reach the men because of the heavy fire. With utter disregard for his own safety Pfc Castle and the platoon sergeant crawled to the wounded men, rendered first aid, and carried them to a safe place from which they were evacuated by litter. Pfc Castle's courage, initiative, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio. Feb

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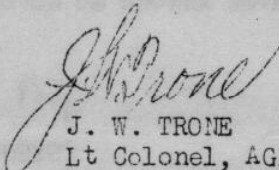
✓ William H. Danforth, 31312525, Sgt (then Pfc), Co I, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 25 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 25 January 1945, Sgt Danforth, an ammunition bearer, accompanied his company commander on a reconnaissance of enemy installations near Buckholtz, Luxembourg. In order to protect his commander from an enemy machine gun he exposed himself to view and thus drew the enemy fire enabling the officer to complete his observations and gain valuable information for a later attack on Buckholtz. The courage, initiative, and devotion to duty displayed by Sgt Danforth exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Maine. JAN

✓ Emil J. Dhalle, 42088839, T Sgt (then Pfc), Co B, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 9 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 9 November 1944, while assaulting a hill near Delme Ridge in France, the platoon in which T Sgt Dhalle served as a rifleman was greatly depleted by the severe enemy resistance. As the remaining members of the platoon entered a draw a heavy enemy mortar concentration delayed them. T Sgt Dhalle, convinced that the mortar fire was a prelude to an attack, advanced ahead of his comrades and after locating a large enemy force moving to attack his platoon's position he alone held them at bay for three hours by moving about and sniping at them. T Sgt Dhalle's courage, aggressiveness, and devotion to duty delayed the enemy until reinforcements were brought forward and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York. JAN

✓ John Herrold, Jr, 37193725, S Sgt (then Sgt), Co K, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 26 January, 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack on Pintche, Luxembourg, on 26 January 1945, S Sgt Herrold and his squad were subjected to intense fire from an enemy machine gun, preventing three of his men from advancing. With utter disregard for his own personal safety S Sgt Herrold exposed himself to the enemy and by drawing their fire he permitted his men to destroy the enemy machine gun and crew and to capture fifteen enemy soldiers. His courage, aggressive leadership, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest ideals of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Iowa. JAN

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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:

✓ G-317 MICHAEL DAMKOWITCH, JR, 01308483, 1st Lt, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 14 March 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 14 March 1945, the company which Lt Damkowitch commanded had taken a position near Grimerath, Germany, when an enemy column was caught and delayed by fire from the company's light machine gun section. Immediately perceiving an opportunity to capture a dangerous enemy force, Lt Damkowitch led a rifle squad on a flanking maneuver and captured forty three enemy soldiers, two officers, an 88mm gun, an anti-aircraft gun, five machine guns, and a German truck. The courage, aggressive leadership, and devotion to duty displayed by Lt Damkowitch exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania. MNL

✓ Edwin E. Hoskinson, 37741480, Pvt, Co A, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 21 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 21 January 1945, after voluntarily leading a reconnaissance patrol into Kehmen, Luxembourg, and finding no enemy present, Pvt Hoskinson returned to his company to lead a platoon into the town. As they entered the outskirts of the town sniper fire knocked the rifle from the platoon leaders hands and wounded Pvt Hoskinson. Disregarding his own wounds and increased enemy fire, he crawled to the side of his disarmed and stunned platoon leader and by returning the enemy fire covered the withdrawal of his platoon leader. Pvt Hoskinson then reported the situation to the company command post before being evacuated for treatment of his wounds. His courage, initiative, and loyal devotion to his officer and to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kansas. JAN

✓ Guyowen H. Howard, 42089247, S Sgt, Co B, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 26 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 26 December 1944, during an attack near Niederfeulen, Luxembourg, one of the platoon scouts was wounded while reconnoitering a route of advance for the rifle platoon in which S Sgt Howard served as squad leader. Disregarding his own safety, S Sgt Howard attempted to aid the wounded man but was himself wounded in the face by a shell fragment. Despite his impaired vision and intense pain from his wound S Sgt Howard fired at the enemy. This attack permitted the safe evacuation of the wounded man. His courage, tenacity of purpose, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York. DEC

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✓ Blaine W. Lamb, 37207154, T Sgt (then Sgt), Co D, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 26 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. In the attack on enemy positions near Niederfeulen, Luxembourg, on 26 December 1944, T Sgt Lamb, a machine gun squad leader, assumed command of his platoon when the platoon leader was wounded. Despite the severe fire falling about his gun positions he courageously led his men in moving to better firing positions and through his able direction the platoon gave such excellent supporting fire to the attacking riflemen that they took their objective with a minimum of casualties. T Sgt Lamb's courage, leadership, and loyal devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kansas. Dec

✓ Carl V. Martin, 35837074, S Sgt (then Sgt), Co I, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 15 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near Ringel, Luxembourg, on 15 January 1945, enemy snipers wounded two men who lay in the snow on an exposed slope. Intense enemy fire prevented the rescue of the men. Realizing that speed was essential if they were to be saved, S Sgt Martin, a rifle squad leader, moved to the men despite the increased enemy fire and on examination found one to be alive but wounded in both legs. Disregarding his own personal safety, S Sgt Martin placed the man on a stretcher and pulled him to safety. His courage, initiative, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio. Jan

✓ Albert R. Matthews, 34031505, T Sgt, Co M, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 21 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. While closely supporting a rifle company in an attack on Huttingen, Germany, on 21 February 1945, the mortar platoon in which T Sgt Matthews served as platoon sergeant received such heavy small arms fire that it was forced to change firing positions, leaving a number of casualties behind. Litter bearers could not reach the men because of the heavy fire. With utter disregard for his own personal safety T Sgt Matthews and another soldier crawled to the wounded men, rendered first aid, and carried them to a safe place from which they were evacuated by litter. T Sgt Matthews' courage, initiative, and devotion to his men and to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from North Carolina. Feb

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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:

NOIRMANDO A. COSTELLO, 017764, Colonel, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in Germany during the period 13 April 1945, to 24 May 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered United States Military Academy from Massachusetts.

AT JOHN M. McALPINE, 01320546, 1st Lt, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 26 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 26 January 1945, while the battalion in which Lt McAlpine served as S-2 was preparing for an attack on Wilwerwiltz and Pintsche, Luxembourg, heavy enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire from these towns delayed the attack. Lt McAlpine organized patrols to seek the source of this fire and personally led extended reconnaissance to determine the enemy strength and situation. The information obtained by Lt McAlpine's efforts enabled the battalion to inflict heavy casualties on the enemy and to successfully capture its objectives. The initiative, aggressive leadership, and devotion to duty displayed by Lt McAlpine exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Maryland. Jan

E-317 GEORGE F. McDONELL, 01296726, Capt (then 1st Lt), 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 12 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Capt McDonell, commanding the company protecting the right flank of a battalion attack on Gispersleben, Germany, on 12 April 1945, discovered that the leading company was delayed by fire from a numerically superior enemy force. He immediately led his company in a flank attack, disorganized the enemy, and expedited the capture of the town. Lt McDonell's aggressive leadership, resourcefulness, and courageous devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Alabama. Apr

George O. Neal, Jr, 35408688, Tec 5, Co A, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 27 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 27 January 1945, Tec 5 Neal, a cook in a rifle company, finding that the only road into Dorscheid, Luxembourg, was heavily mined, hand carried hot food across an open field interdicted by enemy mortar fire in order to supply his company with a much needed hot meal. Having completed his mission, he was detailed to conduct five prisoners to the prisoner of war enclosure on his return trip. Enroute he was wounded by enemy fire. Disregarding his pain he maintained control of his prisoners and only after delivering them to the enclosure did he accept first aid for his wounds. Tec 5 Neal's courage, tenacity of purpose, and loyal Jan

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devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Raphael Z. Perlman, 32807301, Pfc, Co G, 318th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 12 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 12 April 1945, during an assault on Erfurt, Germany, Pfc Perlman and another rifleman were given the mission of reconnoitering a wooded area on a flank of the route of advance. As they approached the center of the woods they were fired on by enemy automatic weapons. Noting the origin of the fire Pfc Perlman made a wide flanking movement under the protective fire of his comrade and, approaching from the rear, killed two enemy soldiers and wounded a third. Assaulting the foe from both sides the two men captured eight of the enemy. While marching them to the company they captured twenty two more, bringing their total to thirty prisoners. The courage, aggressiveness, and sincere devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Perlman exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York. APV

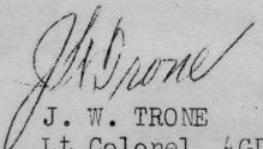
John Pollock, 33294461, Sgt, Hq Co 1st Bn, 319th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 7 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the assault across the Our River into Germany and the Siegfried Line on 7 February 1945, all supplies to the bridgehead were hand carried up the steep slopes from the river bank and casualties evacuated on the return trip. Sgt Pollock, squad leader of the ammunition and pioneer platoon, directed his men throughout four nights of this arduous work under constant shell fire. Sgt Pollock's aggressive leadership and devotion to duty contributed immeasurably to the success of the operation and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania. Feb

James H. Richards, 34166088, S Sgt, Co G, 318th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 2 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the course of an attack on Kassel, Germany, on 2 April 1945, the company in which S Sgt Richards served as machine gun section leader was delayed by heavy enemy small arms fire. Fearlessly exposing himself to hostile fire S Sgt Richards skillfully deployed his guns and so effectively fired upon the enemy troops that many were killed and the remainder captured. S Sgt Richards' courageous leadership, skill, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Alabama. APV

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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 personnel:

✓ Raymond F. Sevin, 33282396, T Sgt (then S Sgt), Co D, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 27 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 27 November 1944, the heavy machine gun platoon in which T Sgt Sevin served as platoon sergeant was attached to a rifle company attacking Valmont, France. In the initial phase the platoon leader was evacuated with wounds and T Sgt Sevin immediately assumed command and led his men in the support of the attack. ✓ While approaching the town heavy mortar fire fell on the platoon and wounded T Sgt Sevin. Disregarding his pain he continued to lead his men until the town was captured and he had emplaced his machine guns to best support the infantry in consolidating for the night, after which he was evacuated. T Sgt Sevin's courage, aggressive leadership, and inspiring devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania. *NEW*

✓ Lyman F. Smith, 35108286, Sgt (then Cpl), Co G, 318th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Germany on 2 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the course of the attack on Kassel, Germany, on 2 April 1945, the lead rifle company was subjected to enemy small arms fire which materially delayed the advance. Sgt Smith, a rifle squad leader, located the source of the enemy fire. Disregarding intense enemy fire, Sgt Smith ran to an exposed position where he fired his rifle so effectively that he killed three, wounded two, and forced eight other enemy soldiers to surrender. Sgt Smith's courage and untiring devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky. *Am*

✓ Hilmer F. Stridde, 38675222, Pfc (then Pvt), Co B, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 26 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the attack on Kehmen, Luxembourg, on 26 December 1944, two men who had been digging in an outpost were wounded by enemy machine gun fire. Pfc Stridde, ✓ a rifleman, voluntarily advanced to the aid of the wounded men and in two successive trips, despite the intense enemy fire which pierced his helmet and which was directed at him throughout the operation, evacuated both men to safety. The courage, bravery, and sincere devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Stridde exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas. *Dec*

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✓ Russell L. Waldrum, 38662222, S Sgt (then Pfc), Co A, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 11 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 11 November 1944, the company in which S Sgt Waldrum served as a rifle squad leader was delayed in its attack across the Neid River near Han-sur-Neid, France, by a bridge which was heavily defended by enemy forces. In the face of severe small arms fire, supported by machine and anti-aircraft guns, S Sgt Waldrum led a group of men in a frontal assault which drove the enemy from the bridge and permitted his company to advance. S Sgt Waldrum's courage, aggressive leadership, and tenacious devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Arkansas. Nov

VII. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL (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 Air Medal and six bronze Oak Leaf Clusters previously awarded, a seventh bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded the following named personnel:

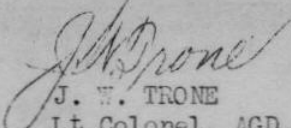
HUBERT H. KENYON, 01170448, 1st Lt, 314th Field Artillery Battalion, Army of the United States. For meritorious achievement in Germany during the period 19 March 1945, to 16 April 1945, as an Artillery Liaison Pilot in successfully completing the required number of sorties while participating in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

GERALD H. REBENS DORF, 01999355, 2d Lt, 314th Field Artillery Battalion, Army of the United States. For meritorious achievement in Luxembourg and Germany during the period 15 February 1945, to 27 March 1945, as an Artillery Liaison Pilot 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 South Dakota.

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✓ Raymond F. Sevin, 33282396, T Sgt (then S Sgt), Co D, 317th Infantry, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 27 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 27 November 1944, the heavy machine gun platoon in which T Sgt Sevin served as platoon sergeant was attached to a rifle company attacking Valmont, France. In the initial phase the platoon leader was evacuated with wounds and T Sgt Sevin immediately assumed command and led his men in the support of the attack. While approaching the town heavy mortar fire fell on the platoon and wounded T Sgt Sevin. Disregarding his pain he continued to lead his men until the town was captured and he had emplaced his machine guns to best support the infantry in consolidating for the night, after which he was evacuated. T Sgt Sevin's courage, aggressive leadership, and inspiring devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania. New

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VIII. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL (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 Air Medal and seven bronze Oak Leaf Clusters previously awarded, an eighth bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded the following named personnel:

GERALD H. REBENS DORF, 01999355, 2d Lt, 314th Field Artillery Battalion, Army of the United States. For meritorious achievement in Germany during the period 28 March 1945, to 30 April 1945, as an Artillery Liaison Pilot 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 South Dakota.

IX. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL (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 Air Medal and five bronze Oak Leaf Clusters previously awarded, a sixth bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded the following named personnel:

LAWRENCE F. MARRIOTT, 01183356, 1st Lt, 315th Field Artillery Battalion, Army of the United States. For meritorious achievement in Luxembourg and Germany during the period 24 February 1945, to 30 April 1945, as an Artillery Liaison Pilot 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 Illinois.

X. 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 Pfc Charles R. Wheeler, 34989023, Inf, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Luxembourg on 25 December 1944.

XI. 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 Pfc Charles E. Otten, 35461856, Inf, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Luxembourg on 6 January 1945.

XII. 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 Pvt Joseph J. Mikula, 35213474, Inf, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Germany on 11 February 1945.

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XIII. 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 France on dates indicated:

<u>RANK AND NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ARM OR SERVICE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Pfc Albert Mowry Jr	33436041	Armd	18 Sep 44
Tec 5 Guido R. Tetuan	33435860	Armd	12 Nov 44

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