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IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: 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:

✓ HARRY W. COLVIN JR., 13129173, Tec 4, Sv Co, 318th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in FRANCE on 13 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near DIEULOUARD, FRANCE, a severe enemy counter-attack threatened to overrun fifteen of the regimental command post vehicles. Tec 4 COLVIN immediately moved over 150 yards of hazardous terrain, exposed to artillery, mortar and small arms fire, to direct evacuation of all vehicles. Tec 4 COLVIN's initiative and courage exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

✓ ROY J. HERTE, 016516, Lt Col, Inf, 318th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in FRANCE from 3 August 1944, to 13 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Through long hours of planning, expert supervision, and unceasing devotion to duty, Lt Col HERTE contributed immeasurably in the successful operations of his regiment. During this period, he participated in all the major battles of his unit, from the Normandy Beach to the Moselle River. Lt Col HERTE's outstanding leadership and superior performance of duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered United States Military Academy from NEW YORK.

DONALD B. HURLEY, 34311531, Pvt, Co E, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 3 April 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At the fierce battle of KASSEL, GERMANY, Pvt HURLEY observed a wounded comrade lying in an exposed position subjected to severe hostile fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, he dashed through the enemy fire to carry the man to safety, and administered first aid which saved his life. Pvt HURLEY's thoughtfulness, courage, and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from NORTH CAROLINA.

CHARLES A. KEANE, 36601792, Sgt, Co K, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 18 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. When his company was in urgent need of ammunition while clearing NOCHER, LUXEMBOURG, Sgt KEANE volunteered to perform the task. By organizing cooks and other rear train personnel, he formed a squad and led them over hazardous terrain and through severe fire to complete the job. Sgt KEANE's courage, initiative, and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from ILLINOIS.

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GEORGE F. KERCHER, 33304949, Tec 5 (then Pfc), Sv Co, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 15 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near WALLENDORF, GERMANY, when necessary ammunition was urgently requested by a hard-pressed assault company, Tec 5 Kercher volunteered to deliver it alone. Driving over uncleared roads and through sniper and artillery fire, he persisted in his efforts to deliver the vital supplies. Tec 5 KERCHER's courage and sincere devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

GEORGE C. LANG, 33247167, Sgt, Co D, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in LUXEMBOURG on 24 December 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near RINGEL, LUXEMBOURG, three hostile tanks attacked Sgt LANG's position and delivered a devastating barrage of artillery. During his platoon leader's absence, Sgt LANG assumed command, directed the men to more advantageous positions, and supervised the repelling of the attack. His courage, initiative, and leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

ELIAS LEVINE, 33220948, S Sgt, Co C, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 7 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At the hazardous Our River crossing, S Sgt LEVINE led a supply squad with vital water and rations to his assaulting company. When he encountered a hostile patrol, he courageously maneuvered his men under severe enemy fire to capture two and disperse the remaining enemy troops. S Sgt LEVINE's leadership, perseverance, and courage are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from VIRGINIA.

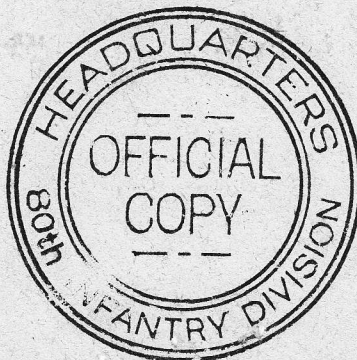
PAUL A. MARONI, 33347914, S Sgt (then Cpl), Hq Co, 2d Bn, 319th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in GERMANY on 8 February 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. At the hazardous Our River crossing, the enemy thwarted engineers' attempts to build a bridge. When the supply problem became critical, S Sgt MARONI voluntarily, and with disregard for personal safety, braved the severe enemy mortar and artillery fire to cross the river many times and deliver supplies that aided assault companies immeasurably. His courage and initiative exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from PENNSYLVANIA.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL McMAHON:

S. P. WALKER
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

S. W. ROTH
Lt Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.



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