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SECTION

I - Award of Bronze Star.

II - Award of Air Medal (Oak Leaf Cluster).

III and IV - Amendment and Rescission.

I. 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:

William T. Adams, 35386054, Cpl, FA, 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, during the assault on Hosingen, Luxembourg, Cpl Adams, a forward artillery observer operating with the attacking rifle company, constantly exposed himself to raking enemy fire in his efforts to establish and maintain communications with the battery he served. Working unceasingly in furnishing supporting fire to the advancing infantry, despite the hazards involved, his well directed fire was of great value in the success of the assault. The courage, initiative, and steadfast devotion to duty displayed by Cpl Adams are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Gilbert A. Anda, 39036916, Tec 5, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 18 and 19 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entering the town of Nocher, Luxembourg, during the night of 18 and 19 January 1945, before it had been completely cleared of the enemy, Tec 5 Anda, with utter disregard for his own safety, voluntarily removed a seriously wounded comrade from a tank which was being subjected to intense enemy fire. He later assisted in the successful evacuation of casualties from the same town over a road that was being heavily shelled. The courage, resourcefulness, and tireless devotion to duty displayed by Tec 5 Anda are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.

Roland E. Barnum, 35297451, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in Luxembourg on 3 January 1945, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 3 January 1945, near Welscheid, Luxembourg, the four man patrol of which Pfc Barnum was a member, was fired upon by enemy automatic weapons, wounding one of his comrades. Withdrawing to cover, Pfc Barnum, when unable to locate assistance, returned across exposed terrain and with complete disregard of enemy fire succeeded in evacuating the injured man to safety. The bravery, determination, and constant devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Barnum exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

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II. 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:

CHARLES S. RITCHEY, Oll84426, 2d Lt, FA, Army of the United States. For meritorious achievement in Luxembourg during the period 7 - 29 January 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 Oregon.

III. So much of Section VI, General Orders Number 1, this Headquarters, dated 1 January 1945, pertaining to the Award of the Purple Heart, as reads "Pfc Charles Kush 33278265 Inf 24 Dec 44" is rescinded. Soldier was awarded Purple Heart per GO #56, Hq 32d Evac Hosp (SM), dated 26 Dec 44.

IV. Section V, General Orders Number 29, this Headquarters, dated 29 January 1945, pertaining to the Award of the Purple Heart, as reads "Cpl Loyel T. Davis 35386433 FA 23 Jan 45" is amended to read "Cpl Loyel T. Davis 35386433 Inf 23 Jan 45".

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