

RESTRICTED

HEADQUARTERS 80TH INFANTRY DIVISION
APO 80, U. S. Army

GENERAL ORDERS)

3 November 1944.

NUMBER 70)

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 Officers and Enlisted Man:

JAMES H. HAYES, 024646, Maj, Inf, United States Army. For gallantry in action in France on 4 October 1944, while subjected to extremely intense enemy artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire, he personally assisted in the direction of the offensive. Armed with a submachine gun he rose up-right and personally engaged in a fire fight which inspired his men to destroy an enemy machine gun section. He later successfully adjusted mortar fire upon the enemy. By his fearless leadership he proved an inspiring example to his men, and his personal bravery and zealous devotion to duty are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered United States Military Academy from Pennsylvania.

MATTHEW B. LEONARD, 01285609, 1st Lt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France on 22 September 1944, while the leading platoon of his company was held up by two enemy strategically emplaced with machine pistols. With utter disregard for his personal safety, he personally rushed the enemy position forcing their surrender. His courage and devotion to duty exemplify the finest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

DANIEL J. MINAHAN, 021799, Lt Col, FA, United States Army. For gallantry in action in France on 12 - 13 September 1944, while successfully ordering several fire missions upon the enemy and later in organizing and commanding his unit in repelling an enemy attack by destroying three enemy tanks and killing an unestimated number of enemy troops. His personal bravery, superb leadership, and zealous devotion to duty are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered United States Military Academy from Massachusetts.

Paul P. Viviano, 12189499, Pfc, MD, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France on 9 October 1944, while exposed to numerous enemy mine explosions, continued to render medical aid to seriously wounded comrades. In the performance of his duty he suffered extensive injuries to his leg, yet persisted in aiding the wounded until additional injuries forced his own evacuation. His outstanding courage and zealous devotion to duty exemplify the finest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from New York.

II. 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 Officer and Enlisted Men:

Boris R. Angoff, 35621597, Pfc FA, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 12 October 1944, while under a furious barrage of

R E S T R I C T E D

Sec II GO #70 3 Nov 44 contd

enemy artillery and mortar fire, he voluntarily assisted in recovering and displacing effectively a friendly gun within observation of the enemy. His exemplary conduct under fire was an inspiration to all who witnessed his acts and reflects the highest credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Anton Berzanski, 36252955, Pvt, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 12 October 1944, while serving as battery aid man left the security of his foxhole in the face of a concentrated artillery barrage and proceeded two hundred yards across open terrain to administer aid to two wounded comrades. His utter disregard for his personal safety and unselfish devotion to duty are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Albert N. Breeding, 16039424, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 12 October 1944, while the unit to which he was attached was under intense enemy artillery fire, the unit communications were severed. Realizing the vital necessity of immediate restoration of communications, Pfc Breeding, although not a communications man, voluntarily, and with utter disregard of his personal safety, proceeded to lay a new wire line from his unit. At all times he was under a heavy barrage of enemy artillery shells and though wounded during the operation, he continued with his efforts until communications were restored. His personal bravery, resourcefulness, and devotion to duty served as a lasting inspiration to all who witnessed his acts. Entered military service from Missouri.

Raymond W. Gaberlein, 13097559, Tec 4, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 8 October 1944, while under continuous artillery and mortar fire by the enemy, successfully directed his litter squads and assisted in the evacuation of many seriously wounded comrades. His personal bravery and zealous devotion to duty exemplified the finest ideals of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Wayne A. Gardner, 38118997, S Sgt, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 8 October 1944, while under continuous shelling and small arms fire by the enemy, successfully directed his litter squads and assisted in the evacuation of many seriously wounded comrades. His personal bravery and zealous devotion to duty exemplified the finest ideals of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

John W. Hooker, 34524929, Sgt, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 12 October 1944, while under a furious barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire, he voluntarily assisted in recovering and displacing effectively a friendly gun within observation of the enemy. His exemplary conduct under fire was an inspiration to all who witnessed his acts and reflects the highest credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Tennessee.

William T. Kenney, 33722593, Tec 4, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 8 October 1944, while under continuous artillery and mortar fire by the enemy, successfully directed his litter squads and

R E S T R I C T E D

Sec II GO #70 3 Nov 44 contd

assisted in the evacuation of many seriously wounded comrades. His personal bravery and zealous devotion to duty exemplified the finest ideals of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Maryland.

FREDERICK S. KREMER, 025831, 1st Lt, Inf, United States Army. For heroic service in France on 26 August 1944, in performing a valuable mission in the delivery of terms of surrender to a German garrison commander. His resourcefulness under extremely hazardous conditions, personal bravery, and zealous devotion to duty exemplified the finest ideals of the armed forces of the United States. Entered United States Military Academy from Tennessee.

George E. LeBreck, 36836175, Pvt, Armd F, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 9 October 1944, while the unit to which he was attached was making an attack on heavily fortified enemy positions Pvt LeBreck, in company with another enlisted man, drove his tank to the vicinity of a disabled friendly tank and despite raking enemy fire and in full view of the enemy, dismounted and rescued a wounded comrade, returning him to safety. His courage and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all who witnessed his acts. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Francis D. Lightfoot, 35644854, Pfc, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 12 October 1944, while under a furious barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire, he voluntarily assisted in recovering and displacing effectively a friendly gun within observation of the enemy. His exemplary conduct under fire was an inspiration to all who witnessed his acts and reflects the highest credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

John J. Maar, 33596623, Pvt, Armd F, Army of the United States. For having distinguished himself by heroic service in France on 13 September 1944, when his tank was hit by enemy fire seriously wounding himself and his tank commander. Despite the heavy concentration of enemy artillery and small arms fire, Pvt Maar aided materially in rescuing his tank commander from the burning tank, bandaging his wounds and evacuating him to safety. Pvt Maar's disregard for his own wounds and zealous devotion to duty exemplify the finest ideals of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

John W. Manning, 33596587, Tec 5, Armd F, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 9 October 1944, while the unit to which he was attached was making an attack upon heavily fortified enemy installations Tec 5 Manning, in company with another enlisted man, drove his tank to the vicinity of a disabled friendly tank and despite raking enemy fire and in full view of the enemy, dismounted and rescued a wounded comrade, returning him to safety. His courage and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all who witnessed his acts. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Bud McNeal, 39126179, Pfc, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 12 October 1944, while under a furious barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire, he voluntarily assisted in recovering and displacing effectively a friendly gun within observation of the enemy. His exemplary conduct under fire was an inspiration to all who witnessed his acts and reflects

R E S T R I C T E D

Sec II GO #70 3 Nov 44 contd

the highest credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.

Frederick R. Molling, 36251582, T Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 17 September 1944, when his platoon suffered heavy losses including the loss of the platoon leader, during a hotly contested attack made more difficult by a continual downpour of rain and dense fog, he reorganized the platoon and pressed forward unrelentingly until the objective was achieved. His remarkable leadership and exemplary devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

William E. Murray, 35152038, 1st Sgt, Armd F, Army of the United States. For having distinguished himself by heroic service in France on 13 September 1944, while under a heavy concentration of enemy artillery fire, in assisting in the tendering of aid to a seriously wounded comrade and successfully evacuating him. His courage and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest ideals of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

Earl S. Quinby, 35313158, Cpl, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 14 September 1944, while his organization was being subjected to extremely heavy enemy artillery fire, he ministered medical aid to all of his wounded comrades. His ceaseless efforts under hazardous conditions and his zealous devotion to duty are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Marvin T. Wilkes, 34501547, Tec 5, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 12 October 1944, while under a furious barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire, he voluntarily assisted in recovering and displacing effectively a friendly gun within observation of the enemy. His exemplary conduct under fire was an inspiration to all who witnessed his acts and reflects the highest credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Tennessee.

III. Sections III, IV, and V, published as an extract.

By command of Major General McBRIDE:

OFFICIAL:

J. W. Trone

MAX S. JOHNSON
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

J. W. TRONE
Lt Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

DIST:

A

- 3 TAG Washington 25, D. C. (Attn: Awards and Decorations Br, AG Mil Pers)
- 2 CG European T of Opns APO 887 U. S. Army
(Attn: Awards and Decorations Br, AG Mil Pers)
- 2 CG Twelfth A Gp (Attn: G-1) APO 655 U. S. Army
- 2 CG Third U. S. Army APO 403 U. S. Army
- 2 CG XII Corps APO 312 U. S. Army
- 2 Div PRO 2 Each Orgn concerned
- 2 Div Historian 1 Each Off and EM concerned

RESTRICTED

HEADQUARTERS 80TH INFANTRY DIVISION
APO 80, U. S. Army

GENERAL ORDERS)

3 November 1944.

NUMBER 70)

E-X-T-R-A-C-T

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 to the following named Officers and Enlisted Men:

Leo P. Cunningham, 36187474, T Sgt (then S Sgt), Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 22 September 1944, in assuming the command of his platoon when his platoon leader and platoon sergeant suffered injuries, and successfully organized his unit to effectively drive back the enemy despite fierce resistance. His superb leadership and personal bravery exemplify the finest ideals of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Michigan.

Frank J. Fralin, 33213162, Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 8 October 1944, during an assault on an enemy position he crawled 150 yards to a spot where he could observe the enemy position and thereupon set up a relay system of hand and arm signals conveying the fire orders to his mortar squad resulting in a direct hit on an enemy machine gun obstructing the advance and enabled his company to proceed and take their objective. His personal bravery, initiative, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the finest ideals of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Virginia.

Raymond L. Horace, 20618203, Tec 5, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic service during operations in France on 8 October 1944, although subjected to enemy machine gun fire, successfully evacuated four seriously wounded comrades from the field of battle. His personal bravery, resourcefulness, and coolness under fire, exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

CARROLL G. JONES, 0446448, 1st Lt, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic service during an attack in France on 2 October 1944, in leading his platoon to the successful accomplishment of its mission despite his being wounded during this action. His bravery under continuous enemy artillery and mortar fire and his exemplary leadership are in keeping with the finest ideals of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Virgilio A. Mignacca, 31183864, Tec 5, MD, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 8 October 1944, while under a concentrated and prolonged barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire, displayed an utter disregard for his personal safety in rendering medical aid to many wounded comrades on the field of battle. His tireless energy and zealous devotion to duty reflects creditably upon himself and upon the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

R E S T R I C T E D

Sec III GO #70 3 Nov 44 contd

RICHARD H. WYNN, 01641086, 1st Lt, Sig C, Army of the United States. For heroic service in France on 28 August 1944, when the unit which he commanded was ambushed by an enemy force far superior in number, Lt Wynn ordered an attack and personally led his men in overrunning the enemy positions. Those of the enemy who were not killed then surrendered resulting in the capture of nineteen prisoners. Lt Wynn's leadership, bravery, and devotion to duty reflects creditably upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Georgia.

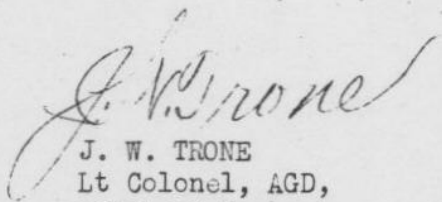
IV. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART (OAK LEAF CLUSTER): By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, in addition to the Purple Heart previously awarded, a bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded Pvt John P. Rizzo, 35924454, Inf, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France on 29 September 1944. Entered military service from Ohio.

V. So much of Section III, General Orders Number 48, this Headquarters, dated 1 October 1944, pertaining to the award of the Purple Heart as reads "Pvt John P. Rizzo 38924454 Inf 29 Sep 44 Ohio" is rescinded.

By command of Major General McBRIDE:

MAX S. JOHNSON
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:


J. W. TRONE
Lt Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

DIST:

A

3 TAG Washington 25, D. C.

(Attn: Awards and Decorations Br, AG Mil Pers)

2 CG European T of Opns APO 887 U. S. Army

(Attn: Awards and Decorations Br, AG Mil Pers)

2 CG Twelfth A Gp (Attn: G-1) APO 655 U. S. Army

2 CG Third U. S. Army APO 403 U. S. Army

2 CG XII Corps APO 312 U. S. Army

2 Div PRO

2 Div Historian

2 Each Orgn concerned

1 Each Off and EM concerned