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

GENERAL ORDERS)

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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 Officer:

EDMUND W. SEARBY, 012081, Brig Gen, United States Army. For gallantry in action in France during the period 7 August 1944, to 14 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, Brig Gen Searby continuously subjected himself to all types of enemy fire in order to more effectively supervise artillery missions and to coordinate Infantry-Artillery operations. His continuous presence in the front lines during engagements was a constant inspiration, not only to his artillery liaison officers and forward observers, but also to all front line troops, who, from his example and indomitable spirit, derived additional inspiration and zeal to seek out, close with, and destroy the enemy. It was with the most forward elements of the infantry troops that Brig Gen Searby gave his life while leading in the repulse of an enemy counterattack. His outstanding courage and inspiring leadership exemplified, for the entire Division, the highest ideals of the armed forces of the United States. Entered United States Military Academy from California.

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 Officers and Enlisted Man.

NEWMAN R. McLARRY, 0533462, 1st Lt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France on 5 and 6 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 5 and 6 September 1944, in an assault-boat attempt to cross a river, severe enemy artillery, mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire was encountered, temporarily halting the advance of the company to which Lt McLarry was assigned as a rifle platoon leader. Realizing the boats were stranded due to casualties and damage, and with utter disregard for his own safety, Lt McLarry moved over the exposed river bank into the swift moving stream and rescued his wounded comrades by securing the stranded boats with a rope and towing them to the friendly shore. Lt McLarry and his platoon then secured an island, essential to the crossing of the main body of troops. The success of this mission contributed greatly in attaining the objective of the battalion. The personal bravery, endeavor, and sincere devotion to duty displayed by Lt McLarry reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

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Arnold G. Claussen, 35359181, S Sgt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France during the period 9 - 11 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 9 - 11 November 1944, S Sgt Claussen was called upon to assume command of an infantry platoon when the platoon sergeant became a casualty during an attack upon an enemy held objective. S Sgt Claussen successfully led his men in the seizure of three French towns, capturing many prisoners. Later in the attack, upon having established a defensive position on the east bank of the Nied River, S Sgt Claussen returned under raking enemy fire to lead the remainder of his company over the bridge, thereby accomplishing the mission assigned. The inspiring leadership, outstanding courage, and zealous devotion to duty exhibited by S Sgt Claussen exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

GERALD P. SHEEHAN, 01296753, Capt, Inf, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in France on 4 October 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 4 October 1944, Capt Sheehan was called upon to assume control of an infantry company which had lost its commanding officer and key personnel during a fierce engagement with the enemy. Capt Sheehan immediately reorganized the company and despite the intense enemy artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire to which he was exposed, encouraged his men to follow him and successfully accomplished the mission assigned. The inspiring leadership, personal bravery, and zealous devotion to duty displayed by Capt Sheehan are commensurate with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR, POSTHUMOUSLY: 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, posthumously, to the following named Enlisted Man:

Edwin V. Anthony, 35408012, Pfc, Inf, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 15 September 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 15 September 1944, while serving as a first gunner in a heavy weapons platoon, Pfc Anthony fearlessly engaged a German tank with machine gun fire thereby compelling the enemy to withdraw from its position. Despite the danger of revealing his position, and with utter disregard for his own life, Pfc Anthony successfully used tracer ammunition in order to accurately determine his target. Pfc Anthony was killed on the battlefield in the performance of his duty. The personal bravery and loyal devotion to duty displayed by Pfc Anthony exemplify the finest ideals 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 Officer and Enlisted Men:

Franklin L. Alm, 19062874, Sgt, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 12 October 1944, in connection with military

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operations against an enemy of the United States. On 12 October 1944, Sgt Alm distinguished himself while serving with a Tank Destroyer Battalion in support of an Infantry Division. Sgt Alm, in company with another enlisted man, proceeded forward in the face of constant enemy shell and mortar fire to successfully evacuate a disabled half-track primemover. The courage, resourcefulness, and devotion to duty exhibited by Sgt Alm exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.

Frank T. Bukowski, 36396752, Sgt, FA, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 8 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 8 November 1944, Sgt Bukowski distinguished himself while serving with a Tank Destroyer Battalion in support of an Infantry Division. With utter disregard for his own safety, Sgt Bukowski, in company with another enlisted man, voluntarily traversed terrain under constant enemy observation and machine gun, artillery, and mortar fire, to lay a telephone wire connecting the company CP with the battalion. After successfully accomplishing this mission, Sgt Bukowski and his companion then voluntarily proceeded over an identically hazardous route to successfully repair the telephone line connecting the regimental CP with the battalion, which line had been severed by an enemy mortar shell. The aggressiveness, initiative, and constant devotion to duty displayed by Sgt Bukowski reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

WALTER L. CANDLER, 01041104, 1st Lt, CAC, Army of the United States. For heroic achievement in France on 21 November 1944, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 21 November 1944, 1st Lt Candler distinguished himself while serving as a Battery Commanding Officer of an AAA AW Battalion in support of an Infantry Division. While on a reconnaissance mission, Lt Candler and a platoon officer and truck driver were suddenly caught in a heavy barrage of enemy shell fire which severely injured the platoon officer. Without regard for their own safety, Lt Candler and his truck driver, in the face of enemy fire, carried the injured officer from his exposed position to a protected defile where first aid was rendered. The outstanding bravery, initiative, and constant devotion to duty displayed by Lt Candler reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Georgia.

By command of Major General McBRIDE:

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