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I -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to following named individual:

PIRST LIEUTENANT SERMED S. NELSON, O1823192, Field artillery, Second Reconnaissance Platoen, 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion. For gallantry in action. On 23 March 1945, near * * *, Germany, when a reconnaissance party of a task force was ambushed by 50 of the enemy and ordered to surrender, LIEUTENANT NELSON opened fire with his light machine gun, enabling the group to withdraw without loss. Retracing their route, the party was stopped by a wagon placed as a hasty roadblock and covered by automatic weapon fire. LIEUTENANT NELSON dismounted, opened fire, assisted in moving the wagon from the road and led his men safely to the rear of the task force. A short time later, the task force was subjected to enemy fire from high ground and a nostile attempt was made to free prisoners in the rear of the column. LIEUTENANT NELSON organized his men, returned the fire and broke up the hostile attempt. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Omaha, Nabraska.

II -- MIARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Lronze Star Medal is awarded to following named individuals:

Sergeant Elijah Gibson, 34550577, Field artillery, Headquarters Company, 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion. For heroism in action. On 19 March 1945, near ** * *, Germany, when a blown oridge prevented a reconnaissance platoon from moving forward in their vehicles, Sergeant Gibson proceeded forward to a position to observe enemy dispositions. He opened fire on three of the enemy that he observed on the road and the enemy immediately fired upon the platoon from well concealed positions. Disregarding the enemy fire, Sergeant Gibson continued firing and observing the enemy positions, until he was wounded. Defore being evacuated beyond the platoon command post, Sergeant Gibson pointed out on a map the exact locations of the enemy positions. This information

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proved to be of valuable assistance in the planning of future operations. Sergeant Gibson's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Savannah, Georgia.

Private First Class Ronald Pollard, 38063301, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion. For heroism in action. During the night of 22 March 1945; near * * *, Germany, a motorized reconnaissance platoon was ambushed by the enemy and further progress was halted by a wagon placed as a temporary roadblock. Private Pollard immediately fired his light machine gun until it jammed, then using his sub-machine gun until he expended the ammunition, he picked up a machine gun from a member of the platoon and continued firing. Bis regarding heavy enemy fire, he led a small group of men and directed the removal of the wagon, permitting the platoon to escape and continue its mission. Private Pollard's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Sweetsprings, Missouri.

CAPTAIN REAUREGARD KING, 0412501, Field Artillery, Company "A", 614th
Tank Destroyer Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945,
CAPTAIN KING, planned and organized a small task force for an attack on * * *,
France. Leading his med in the attack, CAPTAIN KING was severely wounded by
enemy automatic weapon fire. After falling to the ground, he called to his
second in command and urged him to continue the attack, which resulted in the
capture of the village and the taking of a number of prisoners. CAPTAIN KING's
outstanding leadership reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Tabuco, alabama.

Sergeant Matthew Spencer, 35479070, Field artillery, Second Reconnaissance Flatcon, 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion. For heroism in action, buring the night of 22 March 1945, near * * *, Germany, a motorized task force reconnaissance section was halted by heavy enemy automatic weapon fire from both sides of the road. In the action that followed, an enemy officer armed with a submachine gun attempted to shoot bergeant Spencer's platoon leader. Sergeant Spencer knocked the enemy officer off balance with the butt of his caroine, deflecting the enemy officer's fire. After the enemy soldier was killed, Sergeant Spencer assisted in the direction of fire into the hostile positions, enabling the section to proceed on its mission. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Louisville, Kentucky.

*FIRST LIEUTENANT HAROLD B. GARY, OlC31244, Cavalry, Company "B", 761st Tank Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On the night of 23 Barch 1945, near * * *, Germany, LIEUTINANT GARY, in command of the point of a task force, was fired on by two enemy anti-tank weapons. Due to the darkness, the exact location of the enemy weapons could not be determined. LIEUTENANT GARY, without hesitation, maneuvered his force and his own tank into a position from which effective fire was directed upon the hostile positions. LIEUTENANT GARY's courage and initiative, which permitted the remainder of the task force to accomplish its mission, reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: abilene, Kansas.

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Private First Class Thomas L. Kilgo, Jr., 34461097, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 614th Tank Lestroyer Battalion. For heroism in action. On 15 March 1945, Private Kilgo, medical aid man, was attached to a small task force attacking * * *, France, when heavy enemy automatic weapon fire wounded the task force commander. Disregarding the enemy fire, Private Kilgo made his way over the open ground and administered aid to the fallen officer. Private Kilgo's actions, resulting in the prompt evacuation of a wounded man, reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Asheville, North Carolina.

Sergeant Buck A. Smith, 38063430, Armored, Company "C", 761st Tank Battalion. For heroism in action. On 22 March 1945, near * * *, Germany, Sergeant Smith, tank commander, was assigned the mission of destroying enemy automatic weapons and previously picked pillboxes with a single tank. Although only covered by infantry troops on the adjacent hill and without close protection, Sergeant Smith moved his tank in range of hostile positions. Sergeant Smith remained exposed in the turret, despite hostile anti-tank, artillery and mortar fire, and directed accurate fire which destroyed numerous enemy automatic weapons and effectively damaged several pillboxes. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Muskoges, Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant Charles L. Parks, 34459861, Field artillery, Company "a", 614th Tank Lestroyer Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945, Sergeant Parks assisted in planning and organizing an attack by a small task force on * * *, France. When the task force commander was wounded, Sergeant Parks took command and led the group over open ground in the face of heavy enemy automatic weapon fire to take the village and capture a number of the enemy. Sergeant Park's display of courage and leadership reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Charlotte, North Carolina.

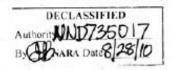
III -- AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL. Under the provisions of army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster to Air Medal is awarded to following named individuals for meritorious service while participating in aerial flight:

AWARD OF THE FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

FIRST LIEUTENANT LOUIS J. FRIER, Oll73612, Field artillery, Headquarters Battery, 242d Field artillery Battalion, from 25 February to 21 Warch 1945, in Eastern France and Western Germany. Residence: Cleveland, Ohio.

AWARD OF THE THIRD OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

FIRST LIEUTEMANT EUGENE S. HUFF; Ol184525, Field artillery, Headquarters Battery, 384th Field artillery Battalion, from 21 February to 12 March 1945, in Eastern France. Residence: Seminole, Oklahoma.



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III - ATARD OF OAK-IEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL (Cont'd)

· AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

FIRST LIEUTENANT JOHN W. MASKELL, Oll83358, Field artillery, Headquarters 242d Field artillery Buttalion, from 28 February to 17 March 1945, in Lastern France and Western Germany. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

FIRST LIEUTEMANT LARRY G. GENEBACH, 0541227, Field artillery, Headquarters Battery, 383d Field Artillery Battalion, from 20 February to 13 March 1945, in Eastern France. Residence: Battle Creek, Michigan.

IV -- AWARD OF 2ND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the 2nd Oak-Leaf Cluster to Purple Heart is awarded to following named individual for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

Private First Class James C. Rost, 37661836, Infantry, Company "I", 409th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 March 1945. Residence: Des Moines, Iowa.

V -- AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART, REVOCATION. So much of Section II, General Orders Number 98, this headquarters, dated 3 April 1945, as pertains to Private First Class James C. Rost, 37661836, Infantry, Company "I", 409th Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

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I -- A ARD OF BRONZE STAR 1 DAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to following named individuals:

Technical Sergeant Charles E. Adams, 6958347, (then Sergeant), Infantry, Cannon Company, Allth Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 21 March 1945, near * * *, Germany, Sergeant Adams' platoon was subjected to intense enemy heavy artillery fire, one round of which ignited ammunition containers, causing a fire that threatened three howitzers and their crews. Disregarding the threat to his life from enemy rounds still falling around him, Sergeant Adams extinguished the fire and removed the burning containers. His actions, which prevented loss of lives and equipment, reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Victoria, Texas.

Private First Class Mark H. Ray, 34302120, Field Artillery, Headquarters. Company, 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion. For heroism in action. On 19 March 1945, near * * *, Germany, when a blown bridge provented a recommaissance plateon from moving forward in their vehicles, Frivate Ray advanced on foot, carrying his machine cun. The plateon was immediately pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire from four well concealed amplecements, which wounded his section sergeant. Disregarding the enemy fire, Private Ray assisted the wounded man to the plateon command post, where he aided in pointing out on a map, the exact lossion of the enemy positions. This information proved to be of valuably assistance in the planning of future operations. Private Ray's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Franklin, North Carolina.

SECOND LIEUTEMANT JOHN A. BAKER, 02000697, Infantry, Headquarters, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 21 March 1945, near * * *, Germany, LIEUTEMANT BAKER, assistant S-3, was observing an infantry company's flanking advance on enemy pillboxes, when the company was subjected to fire from a concealed pillbox on an adjacent hill. LIEUTEMANT BAKER ran to a captured enemy 47 millimeter gun and, although unfamiliar with the weapon, fired on the strongpoint from a distance of 250 yards. Despite intermittent artillery and aniper fire which once forced him to take cover, LIEUTEMANT PAKER con-

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tinued firing until the pillbox was neutralized. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Peoria, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade Robert R. Sorber, 36713068, Field Artillery, Head-quarters Battery, 384th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroism in action. On the night of 22-23 March 1945, in * * *, Germany, Technician Sorber and three commades took cover in the cellar of a building from heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire. One shell penetrated the building and exploded in the cellar, wounding three men and burying one of them under the debris. Technician Sorber, with his bare hands, dig his buried commade from the rubble, administered first aid to the wounded, and then dashed 200 yards through the intense shell fire to the aid station to secure assistance. He returned to his commades and assisted in the evacuation of one seriously wounded man to the aid station. Technician Sorber's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Orlando, Florida.

Frivate First Class alonzo D. Kimball, 34516211, Infantry, Company "I", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 20 Farch 1945, near * * *, Germany, during an attack on a fortified hill, Private Kimball stood erect and advanced toward an enemy pilltox, firing his automatic rifle as he walked. Although two enemy granades exploded near him, Frivate Kimball continued his assault on the emplacement, forcing an enemy machine garner to leave the safety of the pillbox and surrender. Frivate Kimball's initiative and aggressiveness reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Hesidence: York, South Carolina.

Sergeant "alter D. Rice, 14136463, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "I", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 20 March 1945, near * * *, Germany, during an attack on a fortified hill, Company "I" was subjected to mortar and artillery barrages and was herassed by fire from an enemy sniper. Private Rice, acting squad leader, cautiously advanced to within sight of the sniper and attempted to fire his automatic rifle, but it failed to function. Discovered and fired on, Private Rice threw a grenade, wounding the sniper who then surrendered. Private Rice's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: St. Petersburg, Florida.

CAPTAIN EARL E. KING, Cl172515, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 382d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 19 to 22 March 1945, in France and Germany. Residence: Osewatomie, Kunsas.

CAPTAIN FRANCIS CAM, Ol175064, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 382d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 19 to 22 March 1945, in France and Germany. Residence: Newark, New Jersey.

CAPTAIN DOMALD A. FOLDAN, 0440436, Field artillery, Battery "A", 382d Field artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 19 to 22 March 1945, in France and Germany. Residence: Pinghamton, New York.

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CAPTAIN CHARLES B. HOYDSTUN, Ch171464, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 382d Field Artillery Pattalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 19 to 22 March 1945, in France and Germany. Residence: Ripley, Tennessee.

LIMITEMANT COLONEL FAUL L. BATES, C28C450, Infantry, Headquarters, 761st Tenk Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 22 to 23 March 1945, in Germany. Residence: Boom Town, New Jersey.

II -- AMARD OF CAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the bronze Ock-Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal is awarded to following named individuals:

Private First Class Daniel W. Spees, 36288533, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 41th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 20 March 1945, Frivate Spees had driven over 500 yards of fire swept road to * * *, Germany, evacuating casualties, when he observed a wounded man lying in a ditch 50 yards from the outskirts of town. Although enemy machine gan fire had halted previous attempts to reach the man, Private Spees crawled 50 yards to the easualty. Private Spees, discovering the casualty suffering from a savere chest wound, dragged him to his vehicle and drove the man through the hostile fire to the battalion aid station. His actions, which saved the life of a wounded comrade, reflected the highest traditions of the military scrvice. Residence: Lake Nebagamon, "isconsin.

Frivate First Class Elmer R. Pinnow, 36553885, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 20 March 1945, during the attack on * * *, Germany, the wounded were placed in houses on the outskirts of town, awaiting evacuation. Two medical vehicles were destroyed and the occupants wounded in an attempt to drive over the fire swept road. Realizing the essualties were in need of immediate evacuation, Private Pinnow drove his vehicle at top speed through a hail of small arms fire, crossed two bridges covered by machine gun cross fire, and successfully entered the town. Private Pinnow's actions, which enabled several wounded men to be evacuated, reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Freeland, lichigan.

III - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to following named individuals for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

FIRST LIBUTEMANT HARRY O. TRIPCONY, 0387324, Infantry, Scrvice Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 24 March 1945. Residence: Cleveland, Ohio.

Private First Class Ruben Lehr, 37364446, Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 22 March 1945. Residence: Ft. Collins, Colorado.

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First Sergeant Homer E Dybvig, 35623530, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company "G", Allth Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Residence: Dayton, Ohio.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to following named individuals:

LIEUTEMANT COLONEL FRANK S. FRITCHARD, 0139855, Infantry, Headquarters 614th Tank Destroyer Pattalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 December 1944 to 13 April 1945, in France and Germany. Residence: Lansing, Michigan.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL CAROLUS A. BROWN, C21364, Signal Corps, 103d Signal Company. For meritorious service in connection with military operations

against the enemy during the period 20 October 1944 to 13 April 1945, in France and Germany. Residence: Atlanta, Georgia.

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I -- A"ARD OF ERONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to following named individuals:

CAPTAIN EUGENE D. BLANDFORD, 01319167, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 409th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 November to 2 December 1944, in France. Residence: Fort Arthur, Texas.

Staff Sergeant Herbert Kerman, 36715731, Infantry, Service Company, 409th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 29 November to 1 December 1944, in France. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Corporal Joseph I. Knaebel, 37245893, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 382d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 21 March 1945, near * * *, Germany, when artillery fire was needed on enemy fortified positions in the Siegfried Line, Corporal Knaebel moved through hostile small arms and mortar fire to within 300 yards of enemy positions. Remaining exposed, Corporal Knaebel transmitted fire directions over his radio, enabling the artillery to neutralize the emplacements. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Jefferson City, Missouri.

Technician Fourth Grade Vern A. Yeggy, 37196115, Field artillery, Battery "A", 382d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 21 March 1945, near * * *, Germany, when artillery fire was needed on enemy fortified positions in the Siegfried Line, Technician Yeggy, radio operator, moved through hostile small arms and mortar fire to within 300 yards of enemy positions. Remaining exposed, Technician Yeggy transmitted fire directions, enabling the artillery to neutralize the emplacements. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Riverside, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant George H. Harrison, 36714801, Infantry, Company "D", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 21 March 1945, near * * *, Germany, although detected by enemy observers and subjected to artillery and mortar fire, Sergeant Harrison remained exposed on the crest of a hill to direct

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mortar fire on enemy positions. He directed fire into a trench, neutralizing the position, and with one adjustment, destroyed a machine gun emplacement and wounded four of the crew. Observing an anti-tank gun hidden from the road and covering the route of advance of a task force, Sergeant Harrison directed six rounds into the position destroying the gun. Refusing relief, Sergeant Harrison continued to observe throughout the night and detecting blasts from enemy mortars, directed effective fire, which neutralized two positions. His actions reflected the nighest traditions of the military service. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

II -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to following named individuals for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

Sergeant Rene Lopez, 6951805, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 382d Field Artillery Battalion, France, 10 March 1945. Residence: Mission, Texas.

Private First Class George W. Owens, 34459221, Field Artillery, Company "B", 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Germany, 22 April 1945. Residence: Lilleton, North Carolina.

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I -- AWARD OF HRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to following named individuals:

Private First Class Lawrence F. Hensley, 34739416, Hedical Department, Medical Detachment, 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 21 March 1945, near * * *, Germany, an enemy counterattack forced a squad of Company "A", 409th Infantry to withdraw and leave a wounded man behind. Private Hensley, disregarding enemy small arms, automatic weapons and mortar fire, ran and crawled 400 yards over exposed terrain to reach the casualty. Exposed to the enemy fire as well as friendly fire; Private Hensley administered first aid and then moved the wounded man to a place of safety. His actions, in saving the life of a comrade, reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Duff, Tennessee.

Private First Class David A. Vraspir, 17109915, Infantry, Company "A", 469th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 21 March 1945, near * * *, Germany, when a commade fell wounded, Private Vraspir made his way 150 yards through enemy machine gun and artillery fire to the man's side. Finding the man seriously wounded, he returned over the exposed terrain and, obtaining the aid of three men, again went forward to successfully evacuate the casualty. Private Vraspir's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Hopkins, Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant Ivan M. Current, 37447722, Infantry, Company "I", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 20 March 1945, near ***, Germany, Sergeant Current led his squad in an attack on a pillbox. "hen rifle-grenade and bazooka fire failed to stop the enemy fire coming from the pillbox, Sergeant Current crawled forward alone, and, disregarding hostile machine gun fire, threw several grenades into the embrasure forcing the occupants to withdraw from the emplacement. Sergeant Current's actions in clearing an enemy strongpoint reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Baldwin, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant Allen A. Johnson, 37321548, Infantry, Company "I", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 20 March 1945, near * **, Germany, while Sergeant Johnson was leading his squad in the attack a commade was wounded. Ordering his squad to continue its advance, he rendered first aid to the casualty and then rushed back to his squad. Continuing the

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attack he shot a sniper who had wounded one of his men. After administering aid to his fallen comrade he again moved to the head of his squad and successfully captured his objective. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: St. Paul, Kinnesota.

II -- ATARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to following maned individuals for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

> Private First Class Mecon Guyton, 34418254, Field Artillery, Company "A", 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Germany, 23 April 1945. Residence: Talledaga, Florida.

Private First Class Frank J. Williams, 34461040, Field Artillery, Company "A", 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Germany, 23 April 1945. Residence: Henderson, North Carolina.

Technical Sergeant Garfield Gladden, 32098043, Field Artillery, Company "A", 614th Tank Bestroyer Battalion, Germany, 23 April 1945. Residence: Tashington, D. C.

Technical Sergeant Coy H. Sparks, 18005067, Infantry, Company "A", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 27 November 1944. Residence: Athens, Texas.

Private First Class Raymond H. Bostick, 18202688, Infantry, Company "B", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 December 1944. Residence: Hoanne, Texas.

Private First Class Francis R. Nauman, 37641030, Infantry, Company "G", 409th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 20 December 1944. Residence: Kirkwood, Missouri.

Private First Class Victor F. Cuttitta, 42185577, Infantry, Company "D", 409th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 March 1945. Residence: Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey.

FIRST LIBUTEW.NT RAYHOND H. FURBEE, 01325154, Infantry, Company "C", 409th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 22 April 1945. Residence: Akron, Ohio....

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, is awarded following named individuals:

> Staff Sergeant John J. Lee, 12085416, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 10 March to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Residence: Brooklyn, New York.

Staff Sergeant Lazarus Garrett, 38048785, Field Artillery, Company "A", 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 1 December 1944 to 28 February 1945, in France. Residence: Fort Worth, Texas.

First Sergeant Robert Cannon, 13079356, Field Artillery, Company "C", 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 27 January to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Issac Brewer, 34167052, Field Artillery, Company "A", 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 7 September 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Birmingham, Alabama.

CAFTAIN RUFUS K. STRICKLAND, Olli3005, Corps of Engineers, Company "A", 328th Engineer Combat Battalion, from 23 April to 5 May 1945, in Germany and Austria. Residence: Jacksonville, Florida.

MAJOR WILLIAM C. DORN, 01000352, Adjutant General's Department, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Fittsburgh, Fennsylvania.

CAITAIN DONALD A. ANDREWS, 01296154, Adjutant General's Department, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Clayton, Missouri.

CAFTAIN JACK COMES, 01325378, adjutant General's Department, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Burrton, Kansas.

Corporal Wallace F. McFaul, Jr., 12100445, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 928th Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 November 1944 to 15 February 1945, in France, Residence: Milford, Delaware.

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GO #151, Hq 103d Inf Div, dtd 28 May 45 AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Cont'd)

CAPTAIN DAVID B. MOSELEY, 01296405. Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment, from 16 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Ennis, Texas.

Frivate First Class John E. Nolan, 32970396, Infantry, Company "F", 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November to 6 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Queens Village, New York.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal for maritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, is awarded following named individuals:

Sergeant Walter Gage, 36715026, Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 103d Infantry Division, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Freeport, Illinois.

Sergeant William A. Dau, 17157265, (then Technician Fourth Grade). Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 384th Field Artillery Battalion, from 8 Lecember 1944 to 24 March 1945, in France and Germany, Residence: Minnespolis, Minnesota.

CAPTAIN CHARLES E. THORNE, C1310527, (then FIRST LIEUTENANT), Infantry, Headquarters 410th Infantry Regiment, from 20 to 21 November 1964, in France Residence: Augusta, Maine.

Technician Fourth Grade George Schmidt, 35059823, (then Private First Class), Chemical Warfare Service, Company "A", 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 5 December 1943 to 8 May 1945, in Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Rasidance: Lorain, Ohio,

First Sergeant Joseph A. Adamski, 16049795, Chemical Warfare Service. -Company "B", 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 10 July 1943 to 6 May 1945, in Sicily, Italy, France, Germany and Austria, Residence: Milwaukee, Wisconsin,

Technical Sergeant Warren C. Sharp, 37207923, Chemical Warfare Service, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 28 February 1945, in Italy and France, Residence: Chanute, Kansas.

Technician Fourth Grade Leonard R. Crosten, 35394876, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "C", 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 9 September 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Elkins, West Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade James J. McGrann, 13124641, Chemical Warfare Service Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 1 December 1943 to 8 May 1945, in Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: North Wales, Pennsylvania,

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GO #153, Hq 103d Inf Div, dtd 29 May 45 I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Cont'd)

CAPTAIN CAMILLE J. PELLETIER, 01010275, Infantry, Company "A", 781st Tank Battalion, from 6 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: New York, New York.

CAPTAIN JOSEPH J. KOLLAR, 0366418, Infantry, Headquarters 781st Tank Battalion, from 15 February to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: New York, New York.

CAPTAIN JOSEPH J. GRAHAM, 01015665, Infantry, Company "D", 781st Tank Battalion, from 6 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Floral Park, New York.

FIRST LIEUTENANT ARTHUR B. BEST, OlOl6194, Infantry, Company "D", 781st Tank Battalion, from 15 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and austria. Residence: Indianapolis, Indiana.

CAPTAIN ORON C. SOUDERS, Ol015647, Infantry, Service Company, 781st Tank Battalion, from 6 December 1944 to 6 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria-Residence: Brockport, Illinois.

II — AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to following named individual:

Staff Sergeant James F. McDougald, 32801434, Field artillery, Company "B", 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion; For meritorious service in action from 7 September 1944 to 21 april 1945 in France and Germany. Sergeant McDougald, Company Supply Sergeant, worked long hours and performed his duties in a highly commendable manner. His devotion to duty enabled the company at all times to be supplied with critical items. In pursuit of his duties, he was mortally wounded by enemy small arms fire. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: New York, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Monai McDougald (Wife), 1890 Seventh avenue, New York, New York.

III -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of army Regulations 600-45, 22 Soptember 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to following named individuals for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

SECOND LIEUTENANT CHARLES J. KOEHLER, 02005958, Infantry, Company "K", 410th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 25 april 1945. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class Joseph M. Patterson, Jr., 13175217, Infantry, Company "A", 410th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 13 May 1945. Residence: Haverford Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Jack J. Underwood, 36409881, Infantry, Company "K", 410th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 25 April 1945. Residence: Blanchard, Michigan.

Private First Class John J. Latecki, Jr., 35904443, (then Private), Infanty Company, "K", 41.0th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 25 April 1945. Residence: Evansyille, Indiana.

GO #153, Hq 103d Inf Div, dtd 29 May 45 III - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART (Cont'd)

Private First Class Raymond S. Wilton, 36401486, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 25 april 1945. Residence: Jackson, Michigan.

Private First Class Joseph G. Manena, 36715494, Infantry, Company "A", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 January 1945. Residence: Chicago, Illinois,

Technical Sergeant Donald J. Link, 36288802, Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 23 December 1944s Residence: Rice Lake, Wisconsin

Private First Class Robert L. Gage, 37738885, Infantry, Company "I", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 21 December 1944. Residence: Lincoln, Nebraska.

Private First Class Irvin D. Goldberg, 42135713, Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 20 January 1945. Residence: New York, New York.

Staff Sergeant Carl E. Mathias, 36443472, (then Private First Class), Inf., Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 10 December 1944. Residence: Pana, Illinois.

Sergeant Francis P. Daly, 17069226, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 20 January 1945. Residence: Burlington, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant Walter F. H. Hitz, 37242291, Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 January 1945. Residence: Hudson, Kansas.

IV -- AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster to Purple Heart is awarded following named individuals for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

FIRST LIEUTENANT CURTIS O. SMITH, 0132579, Infantry, Company "A", 410th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 26 April 1945. Residence: Peoria, Illinois. -

FIRST LIEUTENANT WALTER P. FRIDINGER, 01319615, Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 20 March 1945. Residence: South Portland, Maine.

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I -- ATARD OF BRONZE STAR FEMAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as smended, the Bronze Star Fedal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy is awarded following maned individuals:

• CAPTAIN JACK A. PIFESON, 01305983, Infantry, Service Company, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 2 Pay 1945 in France, Cormany and Austria. Residence: Lincoln, Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant Julian Migani, 13073271, Ordnance Department, 803d Ordnance (IN) Company, from 10 Movember 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Curtis V. Donoho, 39238436, Ordnance Department, 803d Ordnance (LM) Company, from 10 Nevember 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Cernany and Austria. Residence: Hollywood, California.

*FIRST LIEUTENANT JULIUS S. SEDENSKY, 01634309, Signal Corps, 103d Signal Company, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Cleveland, Onio.

First Sergeant Robert J. Heas, 32287533, Signal Corps, 103d Signal Company, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Syracuse, Nov York.

FIRST LIEPTEMANT FRANCIS P. S'EDNEY, 02000749, (then SECOND LIEUTEMANT), Signal Corps, 103d Signal Company, from 10 Movember 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Port Jervis, New York.

FIRST LIEUTEMANT SYDMEY E. SMELSON, 01641814, Signal Corps, 103d Signal Company, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Linden, New Jersey.

Private First Class Lyle H. Arneson, 20744943, Field Artillery, Recommissione Company, 776th Tank Destrover Battalion, from 13 March 1943 to 8 May 1945 in North Africa, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Jamestown, North Dakota.

Technician Fifth Grade Jacob Kirschemann, 37169825, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Commany, 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 13 Narch 1943 to

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CO #198, Hq 103d Inf Div, dtd 6 Jul 45 I -- A"ARD OF FRONZE STAR FEDAL (CONT'D)

8 May 1945 in North Africa, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Regent, North Dikots.

Private Pirst Class Clyde E. Walters, Jr., 19126706, Field Artillery, Recommiscance Company, 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 13 March 1943 to 8 May 1945 in North Africa, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Redende Stach, California.

Technician Fourth Grade Michael E. Brennan, 37198787, Field Artillery, Company "C", 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 13 March 1943 to 8 May 1945 in North Africa, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Moorland, Iowa.

Sergeant Daniel P. Ashelman, 33057376, Field Artillery, Company "C", 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 13 March 1947 to 7 May 1945 in North Africa, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Stillwater, Fennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade Paul L. Bonderenko, 37169335, Field Artillery, Company *C*, 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 13 March 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Forth Africa, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Minot, North Dakota.

> MAJOR ROBERT J. O'LEARY, Oll66577, Field Artillery, Headquarters 614th Tank Destroyer Sattalion, from 10 March to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Residence: Glenburn, North Dakota.

> FIRST LIEUTEMANT ORIGIND A. FORTE, JR., 01822983, Field Artillery, Head-quarters 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 10 December 1944 to 15 February 1945 in France. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

MAJOR LEROY H. SAUPLE, 0285690, Infantry, Headquarters 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 10 March to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Residence: Mt Clemens, Michigan.

II — A"ARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is ewarded to following named individuals for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

Staff Sergeant Ernest W. Cottenham, 36203876, Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 Farch 1945. Residence: Lampson, Visconsin.

Private First Class John D. Freislinger, 36648224, Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 March 1945, Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Sergeant T. J. Swift, Jr., 39372474, (then Private), Infantry, Company "B", Allth Infantry Regiment, France, 14 December 1944. Residence: Ylamath Falls, Oregon.

Corroral Gilbert L. Forch, 372,6817, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 20 February 1945. Residence: Kanese City, Manese.

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GO /196, He 103d Inf Div, dtd 5 Jul 45 II -- A"ARD OF FURPLE HEART (COUT'D)

Technician Fourth Grade Fred B. Mahady, 36101646, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 23 April 1945. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade Merle D. Brown, 37250425, Medical Department, Wedical Detachment, Allth Infantry Regiment, France, 20 January 1945. Residence: Delaware, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant Charles H. Hendrikson, 39085295, Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 20 April 1945. Residence: Emeryville, California.

- · FIRST LIBUTEMANT ROBERT LURIE, 0546870, (then SECOND LIBUTEMANT), Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 March 1945. Residence: Long Boach, New York.
- -MAJOR VILLIAM E. VILLIS, JR., 0291451, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battelion, 41th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 March 1945. Residence: Fountain Inn, South Carolina.

SECOND LIENTENANT JAMES ". O'CONNELL, C2007025, Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 23 April 1945. Residence: Bouman, North Dakota.

Private First Class Michael Lossick, 36324536; Chemical Estfare Service, Company "C", 93d Chemical Mortar Battalion, France, 11 February 1945. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class Faul R. Vance, 28464685, Chemical Marfare Service, Company "C", 23d Chemical Fortar Battalion, France, 29 November 1944.
Regidence: Talsa, Oklahoma.

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