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SECTION

AWARD OF SILVER STAR I
AWARD OF BRONZE STAR II

~~I—AWARD OF SILVER STAR—~~. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-5 and Section I, Circular 5, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

also in tank

JOSEPH S. LALISH, 37018326, Sergeant, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion (Self-Propelled), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. During a heavy enemy counterattack, Sergeant Lalish, Tank Destroyer Commander, rallied and deployed his crew while he, at risk of his life, mounted the turret of his Tank Destroyer and fired a machine gun with devastating effect upon the enemy until the gun was disabled. Though wounded, he refused medical aid and continued to direct accurate fire upon the enemy force. When the ammunition supply was exhausted, he led his crew to the infantry lines and with small arms, resumed the fight. His courageous and aggressive action aided the Battalion materially in the accomplishment of its mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

Tank Destroyer

GEORGE REED, 35135432, Corporal, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion (Self-Propelled), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. During a fierce enemy counterattack, Corporal Reed, Gunner, began firing at the numerically superior enemy force from his M-10 Tank Destroyer. Though continuously subjected to intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, Corporal Reed, though wounded, refused medical attention and remained to fire the tank destroyer's gun until all the ammunition was expended. When the tank destroyer was disabled by an intense concentration of enemy artillery, Corporal Reed made his way back to the infantry's position and fired his individual arm until the enemy attack was repulsed. Corporal Reed's gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

Tank Destroyer

TOMMIE F. LYNCH, 38019522, Technician Fifth Grade, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion (Self-Propelled), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. When the enemy launched a heavy counterattack against the Tank Destroyer's position, Technician Fifth Grade Lynch, Driver, volunteered to load an artillery piece. Though wounded and despite repeated enemy hits on the Tank Destroyer, at the risk of his life, he remained at his post until the last round of ammunition was expended. He then infiltrated to the infantry lines and resumed the fight. His courageous and aggressive action aided materially in repelling the enemy counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

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