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 AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following from units indicated: Date of Rank Name Arm or Service Location Wound 254th Inf Regt 2fc Andrew W Breidenbach 15302026 MD France 31 Jan 45 Sgt Marion F Cottrill 351 38217 INF France 4 Feb 45 Capt Donald H Love 01.285450 INF France 4 Feb 45 Clifford F Pagano 2d Lt 01172207 INF France 4 Feb 45 Pfc Jack L Parr INF 15359780 France 4 Peb 45 Pfc Norbert S Sullivan 31410432 INF France 4 Feb 45 Pfc John A Fright 33843423 INF France 7 Feb 45 255th Inf Regt Pfc Lennew Ammons 34966314 INF 7 Feb 45 France Pvt Edward D Balestrieri 31431031 INF 19 Feb 45 France Pvt Raymond H Beck 35080370 INF 19 Feb 45 France Put Bennett Belwood 37709499 TNF France 21 Feb 45 Pfc Wilbert H Boone 17010080 TNF France 13 Feb 45 2d Lt Donald E Brockel 0549492 INF France 17 Feb 45 Pyt Francis F Bushey 31458187 INF France 8 Feb 45 Pvt John B Cooper 14007111 INF France 6 Peb 45 Pfc Theodore H Demchak 33765156 INF France 6 Feb 45 Pfc Villiam Edelstien 32997419 MD France 6 Feb 45 Pfc Joseph H Fonnell 3496 5881 INF France 11 Feb 45 Tec 4 Joseph F Gilchrist 31.387037 MD France 16 Feb 45 ofc Charles S Greenland 33768049 INF France 11 Feb 45 Pfc Herman F Hatfield 34966257 INF France 5 Feb 45 Pvt Armel K Heck 36969576 INF France 6 Feb 45 John K Henrood 33692396 INF 7 Feb 45 Sgt France Pfc Harold J Herman 32998865 AD. 18 Feb 45 France Pfc Lonnic L Hess 33888634 TNF France 15 Feb 45 S Sgt Robert W Kennedy 19118402 TNF France 18 Feb 45 Pvt Orvin H Logette 34961285 INF 17 Feb 45 France Pfc Nicholas J Mecca 32511843 INF France 9 Feb 45 Pfc Homer R Mecker 37692943 TNF France 15 Feb 45 Pfc Frank L Pearsey 35242377 INF France 15 Feb 45 Pfc Anthony L Posillico 421.29282 TNF France 21 Feb 45 Pfc Orville A Paincy 376 33351. INF France 15 Feb 45 Pfc George C Robinson 39344201 INF France 21 Feb 45 Pfc Carl E Sirola 36830965 INF 23 Feb 45 France Pfc Ralph K Smith Jr INF 11128425 France 17 Feb 45 S Sgt Edward C Thompson 36287085 INF France 15 Feb 45 12201456 TNF Sgt Donal N Thomson France 10 Feb 45 Pvt William F Whittles 37773637 INF France 21 Feb 45 Von T liggins 38401148 INF 15 Feb 45 Set France Pfc . Gordon S Foods 38339786 INF France 9 Feb 45

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II. A ARE OF THE PURPLY HEART - RESCISSION OF A ARE - So much of General Orders %6, this headcuarters, deted 15 February 19%5, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to William Gold, 42075324, Private First Class, Infantry, 254th Infantry Regiment, is rescinded.

By command of Major General HIBES:

FARLE G. WHEFLER, Colonel, G. S. C., Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

HAL'H LAVOFONA, Lt. Col., A. G. E., Adjutant Gineral.

22 March 1945

NUMBER 53) AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronzo Star Modal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following for heroic achievement:

RICHARD C. ANTHONY, 3249367, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery "C", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 February 1945, in the vicinity of Auersmacher, Germany. Private First Class Anthony was ordered to bring forward a vehicle containing vitally needed radio equipment. Although under constant enemy artillery fire and pinned down completely on two occasions during the attempt, Private First Class Anthony succeeded in accomplishing his mission and enabled his forward observer section to maintain communications with the battalion. Entered military service from Canjoharie, New York.

EDWIN E. HLOOMFIELD, 36376645, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery "B", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bliesguersviller, France. White under fire during the attack, Technician Fifth Grade Bloomfield assisted in adjusting artillery fire. After the objective had been taken, the enemy counter-attacked with armor and infantry. Although under heavy enemy fire, he continued to assist in directing the artillery fire which had to be placed close to his own infantry. His courage and disregard for personal safety initially aided in delaying the enemy counter-attack which was later repulsed. Entered military service from Lansing, Michigan.

LOMMIE S. BRESLER, 01321285, First Licutenant, Infantry, Company "H", *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bliesgersweiler, Germany. Although subjected to heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire, Licutenant Bresler successfully located zones of fire for the machine gun squads, enabling them to move into position and fulfill their mission. Entered military service from Elm Mott, Texas.

MATTHIAS A. BROADHEAD, 34807035, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 January 1945, in the vicinity of Jebsneim, France. As aid man with his company in an attack, Technician Fifth Grade Broadhead was wounded from morter shell fragments. Although under intense enemy morter and artillery fire, he continued giving aid to the wounded until all casualties had been treated, disregarding his wound and refusing to be evacuated. Realizing that he was the only aid man left, he rejoined his company and continued his duties. Entered dilitary service from Yarbo, Alabama.

JOHN S. GRIM, 12102629, Corporal, Rield Artillery, Battery "C", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Auersmacher, Germany. Although under heavy mortar fire which pinned down part of his outfit Corporal Grim, with utter disregard for his personal safety, moved vital equipment necessary to aid the infantry in taking and holding its objective. His action materially assisted in repetiling the enemy counterattack. Entered military service from Ithaca, New York.

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WALTER A. CYBULSKI, 36163071, Private First Class (then Private), Infantry, Company "A", *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Achen, France. On his own initiative, Private First Class Cybulski moved through intense enemy sniper fire to an abandoned French tank. Finding it in working condition but without fuel, he helped procure gasoline for it, exposing himself while doing so. He then assisted in manning the tank which was used to support the advance of his company. After his company gained its objective, he observed an enemy machine gun holding up the advance of Company "G". He helped maneuver the tank so as to bring fire on and destroy the enemy machine gun. Private First Class Cybulski was instrumental in aiding his regiment to attain its objective with a minimum of casualties, assisting in the capture of twenty-eight enemy and killing an undetermined number. Entered military service from Hemtremck, Michigan.

JAMES L. DAVIS, 33549991, Private, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 16 February 1945, in the vicinity of Auersmacher, Germany. Under intermittent enemy small arms fire, Private Davis continued his assigned mission of laying wire to the forward elements of the infantry, and its successful completion enabled the liaison officer to continually maintain communications with the artillery forward observer and the battalion fire direction center. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

JOSEPH S. DELANEY, 33795093, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 15 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bliesbrucken Woods, France. During darkness, prior to H-Hour, Technician Fifth Grade Delaney, upon becoming separated from his lisison section, proceeded to voluntarily service and repair several miles of wire. At times the wire lines were so swept by mortar fire that he had to run from cover to cover, repairing the lines as he moved along, never allowing himself to be pinned down by hostile fire. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

EDWIN E. GLENN, 01824852, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company "A", ** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 February 1945, in the vicinity of Hanweiler, Germany. During an enemy counter-attack, Lieutenant Glenn, although under concentrated small arms and mortar fire, made his way forward through withdrawing troops to a gun of his company and disarmed it by removing the breeck block. When the enemy was forced to withdraw, he assembled the crew, and the gun was placed back in action without loss of life or material. Entered military service from Ypsilanti, Michigan.

By command of Major General HIBBS:

OFFICIAL:

RALPH LAVORCNA, Lt. Col., A. G. D., Adjutant General. EARLE G. WHEELER, Colonel, G. S. C., Chief of Staff.

23 March 1945

NUMBER 55)

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the previsions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following for herric achievement:

THAOTHY J. MURPHY, JR., 12097246, Sorgeant (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bliesbrucken Woods, France. Sergeant Murphy, radio operator, was detailed to locate a wire crew and lead it forward during an attack on enemy installations. The crew could not be found and Sergeant Murphy, on his own initiative, repaired and maintained vital wire along a road receiving continuous enemy sniper and mortar fire. The aggressive determination displayed by Sergeant Murphy was largely responsible for continuous and necessary communications. Entered military service from Fordham, New York.

JAMES L. NELSON, 33645216, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery "A", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Auersmacher, Germany. Although separated by darkness and fog from the main body of troops in attack, Private First Class Nelson continued to advance under the weight of a seventy-five pound radio until he joined his platoon at the top of a hill. From there, he established and maintained radio communications for two and one-half days under heavy artillery and mortar fire. Entered military service from Richmond, Virginia.

EDWARD A. OUGER, 6863417, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 February 1945, in the vicinity of Eliesbrucken Woods, France. During the attack on Blicsbrucken Woods, Sergeant Ouger, on his own initiative, proceeded through a draw where sniper fire was hitting his men. He succeeded in knocking out one sniper and was about to get another when he was wounded. All during the attack, Sergeant Ouger displayed magnificent leadership shouting words of encouragement to his men. His actions won the respect of the officers and men of his unit. Entered military service from Leavenworth, Kansas.

WALTER PLUMMEN, 35092918, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Auersmacher, Germany. Technician Fifth Grade Plummer, radio operator, was wounded by a mortar shell during an attack by his battalion. Despite his wound, he continued to operate his radio for two days, providing the only means of communication. Entered military service from Columbus, Indiana.

HOWARD W. POLLARD, 0386196, Captain, Field artillery, Company "A", *** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bubingen, Germany. Captain Pollard, without regard for personal safety, went forward of the front lines under enemy observation to reconnoiter gun positions and personally escorted guns into position, being subjected to heavy enemy fire on five occasions. Under his leadership, Captain Pollard's company materially assisted the infantry in gaining its objective. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

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HAROLD V. SEAVEY, 01314066, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "F", *** Infantry Regiment, for horoic achievement in action on 19 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bliesgersweiler, Germany. At the beginning of an attack, one of the men was killed by a tree burst of mortar fire. As artillery fire was falling heavily and mutilating the body, Lieutenant Seavey recovered the body, bringing it to a safer area. Inspired by this act on the part of their plateon leader and with increased confidence, the attacking party continued its mission, reaching and holding its objective. Entered military service from Spokane, Washington.

DUGLAS C. SHAHEN, 37648501, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery "A", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for hereic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, in the vicinity of Gudingen, Germany. Although his forward observer party was subjected to terrific enemy artillery and small arms fire, Private First Class Shaheen refused to be pinned down and demonstrated magnificent courage and initiative in laying and maintaining wire for his party. He also made a valuable reconnaissance under terrific fire which enabled his party to rejoin its infantry company. Later in the action he administered first aid to wounded soldiers and remained with them until they were evacuated. Entered military service from East St. Louis, Illinois.

BENNARD M. STREHL, 3687474B, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Head-quarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 February 1945, in the vicinity of Auersmacher, Germany. During an attack by the infantry to which his forward observer section was assigned, Technician Fifth Grade Strehl was ordered to bring his communication vehicle forward at the earliest opportunity. In his first attempt to carry out his mission, he was driven back by artillery fire. During his second attempt, his vehicle was struck by shell fragments. In spite of this damage and continuous danger, he repaired the vehicle and, on the third attempt, successfully completed his mission and provided the means of maintaining communication. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

JOHN P. WEISENSEE, 0551072, First Licutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Rilchingen, Germany. Lieutenant Weisensee led his twenty-six man patrol against three heavily defended enemy strong-points and within a period of two hours successfully eliminated them, destroyed three machine guns and two mortars and took forty-six prisoners, without a single casualty in his patrol. Entered military service from Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

HAROLD WICKHAM, 32511319, Sorgeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 26 February 1945, in the vicinity of Aucrsmacher, Germany. Sergeant Wickham, with his wire crew, was ordered to lay a line to his liaison officer in the forward area. Soon after entering upon this mission, heavy enemy mortar fire was encountered. Sergeant Wickham directed his crew to remove the wire from the truck and to proceed on foot laying the wire by hand, although under continuous enomy fire. Sergeant Wickham's courage, initiative and outstanding leadership resulted in the completion of his mission. Entered military service from Middletown, New York.

By command of Major General HIBBS:

OFFICIAL: Path Lavorgna RALPH LAVORGNA, Lt. Col., A. G. D., Adjutant General.

EARLE G. WHEELER, Colonel, G. S. C., Chief of Staff.

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28 March 1945

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Megal is amended by the Commanding General to the following for meritorious service:

FOBERT W. ADDY, 0454576, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters, ***
Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 17 February 1945 to 18
February 1945, in the vicinity of Sarreguemines, France. Entered military service from Inglewood, California.

DELFORD L. COTTRILL, JR., 0470154, First Lieutenent, Infantry, Head-quarters Company, First Bettalion, *** Infantry Regiment, for moritorious service from 15 February 1945 to 3 March 1945, in the vicinity of Hanweiler, Germany. Entered military service from Ripley, West Virginia.

EARLE A. JOHNSON, JR., 026211, First Licutement, Infantry, Company "D", *** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 15 February 1945 to 8 March 1945, in the vicinity of Hamweiler, Germany. Entered military service from Norfolk, Virginia.

EDWARD D. KORANIK, 20815878, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Mark Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 20 February 1945 to 26 March 1945, in France and Germany. Friered military service from Son Antonio, Texas.

FRED A. PACIFICO, 32956131, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", **** Infantry Regiment, for moritorious service from 13 February 1945 to 28 February 1945, in the vicinity of Sarregianines, France. Futered military service from Glassboro, New Jersey.

FRANK J. TETTEMER, JR., Cl290157, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters, First Battalion, *** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 15 February 1945 to 8 Earch 1945, in the vicinity of Hanweiler, Germany. Entered military service from Hewlett, New York.

HARRY G. VOTH, 01317449, First Licutement, Infentry, Service Company, *** Infentry Regiment, for meritorious service from 15 February 1945 to 8 March 1945, in the vicinity of Hanweiler, Germany. Entered military service from Moberly, Missouri.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as smended, the Brenze Star Kedal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following of Company "A", *** Tank Destroyer Battalian, for meritorious service from 5 March 1945 to 7 March 1945, in the vicinity of Fechingen, Germany:

ANTHONY CIMEO, 33314939, Private, Field Artillory. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

GABRIEL H. GHIZ, 15114424, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery. Entered military service from South Charleston, West Virginia.

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HUBERT G. MURPHREY, 38425324, Private, Field Artillery. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

JAMES M. PHILLIPS, JR., 38425008, Private First Class (then Private). Field Artillery. Entered military service from Gatesville, Texas.

JOSE P. QUINTAWA, 38349413, Private, Field Artillery. Entered military service from San Domingo, New Mexico.

HUBERT E. WILEY, 38266443, Private, Field Artillery. Entered military service from Tioga, Louisiana.

CLAUDE R. WILLIAMS, 37637666, Private, Field Artillery. Entered military service from Rolla, Missouri.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Modal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following of Headquarters Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for moritorious service from 17 February 1945 to 18 February 1945, in the vicinity of Auersmacher, Germany:

LOUIS C. GALLO, 33682843, Private First Class, Infantry. Entered military service from Erie, Pennsylvania.

LAWRENCE M. HENRY, 33582400, Technicion Fifth Grade, Infantry. Entered military service from Brockline, Pennsylvania.

LEON KATZOFF, 42133417, Private First Class, Infantry. Entered military service from Jamaica, New York.

JOHN E. NUGENT, 33514867, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry. Entered military service from Jersey Shore, Punnsylvania.

JACK S. WILSON, 20624444, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

By command of Major General HIBBS:

OFFICIAL:

FARLE G. VHFELER, Colonel, G. S. C., Chief of Staff.

rall h Lavorque RALPH LAVORGNA. Lt. Col., A. G. D., Adjutant General.

30 March 1945

NUMBER 69)

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following for heroic achievement:

HARVEY S. GENDEN, Oll79406, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company "K", *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Gros Rederching, France. The enemy attacked at night and broke through to the right of Company "K", endangering not only the company but the entire battalion. Lieutenant Genden's platoon was defending that flank; and by his constant circulation among his men, in spite of intense enemy fire, he inspired and controlled them. Lieutenant Genden coordinated the defense with such skill as to repell the determined enemy thrusts. Enterod military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

LAWRENCE W. JORDAN, 02049597, First Lieutenant, Medical Administrative Corps, Medical Detachment, *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, in the vicinity of Kleinblittersdorf, Germany. Notwithstanding enemy sniper fire, Lieutenant Jordan aided in saving the life of an officer by giving initial first aid and acting as litter bearer in removing him to safety. He constantly displayed outstanding courage and bravery under enemy fire in directing and assisting litter bearers in evacuating the wounded. His leadership and disregard for personal safety encouraged and inspired his men. Entered military service from Greenwich, Connecticut.

JAMES W. PATRICK, 35697958, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", ***
Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Auersmacher, Germany. Sergeant Patrick, with utter disregard for his personal safety, exposed himself to enemy fire and with limited knowledge of the German language succeeded in securing the surrender of twenty Germans occupying an enemy strongpoint. This action resulted in saving the lives of many men in his platoon and facilitated the taking of remaining strongpoints, thus permitting the advance of the battalion. Entered military service from Seymour, Indiana.

JOHN W. PLATTNER, 36978104, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 February 1945, in the vicinity of Hanweiler, Germany. Private First Class Plattner crossed the Saar River in an assault boat with the platoon to which he was attached. He helped with the treatment and evacuation of the wounded, carrying them to a point of safety although continuously exposed to intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire. Entered military service from Evanston, Illinois.

STANLEY R. SOMERVILLE, 35174559, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubingen, Germany. After having his squad reduced to two men, Sergeant Somerville placed his machine gun in position to cover the advance of an attacking plateon. During the attack, it was necessary for him to carry his own ammunition and men the machine gun under constant enemy observation and fire. His actions inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy, which assisted in forcing them to withdraw. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

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IRA B. STEPP, 34922773, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "K", *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945, in the vicinity of Gros Rederching, France. On the night of 4 January 1945, a strong German attack broke through to the right of his company. Sergeant Stepp manned a light machine gun alone on the company's right flank. He remained there by himself all night, and his work was a major factor in repelling determined enemy thrusts which endangered the entire battalian. Morning disclosed five enemy dead within fifteen feet of his gun and many more at greater distances within his line of fire. Entered military service from Lake City, Tennessee.

JOSEPH P. TERESE, 38377306, Corporal (then rrivate), Field artillery, Company "A", *** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 7 March 1945, in the vicinity of Fechingen, Germany. Corporal Terese, member of a gun crow having the mission of expelling the enemy from a strongly fortified position, after receiving an order to evacuate his position, with unflinching devotion to duty and complete disregard for personal safety volunteered to stay at his gun. He fired a total of sixty rounds under intense return fire from the enemy, then was forced to the rear by the heavy enemy fire. Corporal Terese returned under the same hazards and removed the breech block and the firing mechanism to render the gun unserviceable to the enemy and yet serviceable to his organization. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

By command of Major General HIBBS:

EXRLE G. WHEELER, Colonel, G. S. C., Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

RALPH LAVORGNA, Lt. Col., A. G. D., Adiutant General.