

HEADQUARTERS 63D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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GENERAL ORDERS)

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NUMBER 161)

Award of the Bronze Star Medal . . . . . I  
Award of the Purple Heart . . . . . II

I. 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 meritorious service:

**STREIFF**

WILLIAM H. STREIFF, 01280806, Captain, Finance Department, Headquarters, 63d Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 4 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jackson, Michigan.

**THEE**

MELVIN F. THEE, 01177210, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 718th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 3 February 1945 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Edmond, Oklahoma.

**TURNER**

WILLIAM L. TURNER, 37243296, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 718th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 3 February 1945 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

JOSEPH J. WIDEN, 12214105, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 718th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 3 February 1945 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wallingford, Connecticut.

II. 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:

Rank	Name	ASN	Arm or Service	Location	Date of Wound
Pfc	George J. Daschel	36831583	63d Sig Co	Germany	15 Mar 45
Sgt	Norman R. Mancees	36585742	63d Rcn Trp	Germany	12 Apr 45
Pfc	Jeremiah C. Driscoll	32521650	253d Inf Regt	Germany	1 Mar 45
Pfc	Harold A. Lambert	38500273	Inf	France	14 Jan 45
Pfc	Alan L. Rankin	35298307	Inf	France	1 Feb 45
Pfc	Robert J. Scott	35242407	Inf	Germany	24 Feb 45
Sgt	John D. Reneger	35226862	Inf	France	5 Feb 45
S Sgt	Robert F. McCullough	35242270	Inf	France	2 Jan 45
Pfc	Charles A. Cherry	34814628	Inf	France	9 Feb 45

Rank	Name	253d Inf Regt (Contd)	Location	Date
Pvt	Robert J. Alstrom	39147293	France	4 Jan 45
Pfc	George F. Sekavac	46462115	France	5 Jan 45
Pfc	Alvin F. Klock	33875037	Germany	27 Feb 45
Pvt	Marion W. Fonta	37710061	Germany	5 Mar 45
S. Sgt	Theodore F. Spring	36875326	France	31 Jan 45
<u>254th Inf Regt</u>				
Pfc	Henry F. Kuzial	36981523	Germany	17 Mar 45
CWO	James P. Peco	21214457	Germany	18 Mar 45
1st Sgt	Cyrus W. Wheelock	6458918	Germany	13 Apr 45
Pfc	John A. Menadel	33608983	Germany	26 Apr 45
Pfc	Clayton Campbell	34089215	Germany	30 Mar 45
Tec 3	Isaac A. Olikoff	12182010	Germany	16 Apr 45
2d Lt	Claude Williams Jr	0927593	Germany	16 Apr 45
2d Lt	Donald D. Van Hookern	02007046	Germany	25 Apr 45
<u>255th Inf Regt</u>				
Pfc	Gerald J. Leaver	31458002	Germany	19 Mar 45
S. Sgt	Olen D. Mosner	35226038	France	3 Jan 45
Pfc	Robert J. Wilson	42067143	Germany	18 Mar 45
<u>863d FA Bn</u>				
1st Lt	Marvin O. Breeding	0429811	Germany	30 Apr 45
Pfc	Robert F. Butler	36690705	Germany	15 Apr 45
<u>263d Amer Combat Bn</u>				
Tec 6	John J. Malinowski	36821520	Germany	17 Mar 45
Pvt	James C. Heckline	32699997	France	15 Feb 45
<u>822d FB Bn</u>				
Tec 5	Clarence F. Custer	34501406	Germany	6 Apr 45
Tec 5	Earl D. Elfer	38377329	Germany	20 Apr 45
Pvt	Juan T. Galvan	39217626	Germany	8 Apr 45
<u>763d Ord M Co</u>				
S. Sgt	Cowan W. Bell	39019177	Germany	2 May 45

By command of Major General HITES:

OFFICIAL:

*Ralph Lavorgna*  
 RALPH LAVORNA,  
 Lt. Col., A. G. D.,  
 Adjutant General.

PAUL C. SMYTER,  
 Colonel, G. S. C.,  
 Chief of Staff.

GENERAL ORDERS)

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Award of the Fourth Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal . . . . . I  
Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal. . . . . II  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal. . . . . III

I. AWARD OF THE FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Fourth Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following for meritorious service:

MORRIS O. EDWARDS, 019041, Colonel (then Lieutenant Colonel), Headquarters 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 10 April 1945 to 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

II. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following for meritorious service:

JOHN E. BROOKS, JR., 0291703, Lieutenant Colonel, GSC, Headquarters, 63d Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 15 March 1945 to 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Winchendon, Massachusetts.

ROBERT S. REDFIELD, 0316929, Lieutenant Colonel, GSC, Headquarters, 63d Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 15 April 1945 to 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

DANIEL H. WALL, III, 02011670, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 862d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 19 March 1945 to 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Shelby, North Carolina.

III. 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 meritorious service:

JAMES T. FIELDER, 01176617, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 862d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 3 April 1945 to 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Greenvier, Arkansas.

WALTER I. FISCHBAUGH, 02007100, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 3 April 1945 to 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ogdona, New York.

WILLIAM J. GUINAN, 0351307, Major, Corps of Chaplains, Headquarters 63d Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 15 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newburgh, New York.



HERBERT C. HERSHEY, JR., 0343406, Major, Inspector General's Department, Headquarters 63d Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 8 February 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Southern Pines, North Carolina.

HAMPTON H. HILL, 0399192, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "G", 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 3 April 1945 to 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

BARTOW KELLY, 0456199, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters, 63d Infantry Division for meritorious service from 26 March 1945 to 2 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Richmond, Massachusetts.

DAVID J. LAMON, 02006276, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 3 April 1945 to 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

→ SEWARD L. MAINS, JR., 011723, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 322d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service from 5 February 1945 to 17 March 1945, and 21 March 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

CHARLES L. McNEILL, 0366111, Major, Infantry, Headquarters, 753d Tank Battalion, for meritorious service from 31 March 1945 to 29 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from High Point, North Carolina.

ARLEIGH G. MEYER, 01323596, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "E", 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 6 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Emporia, Kansas.

ALVIN H. SCHUTZ, 0233633, Lieutenant Colonel, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters, 436th Anti-aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service from 5 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

CLINTON R. WELNER, 01317851, Captain, Infantry, 63d CIC Detachment, for meritorious service from 1 March 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

GLENN Y. WILLIAMSON, 0199705, Lieutenant Colonel, Chemical Warfare Service, Headquarters, 63d Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 8 February 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Alhambra, California.

MICHAEL BAYMOR, 0374857, Major (then Captain), Infantry, Headquarters, 63d Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 5 February 1945 to 2 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Clair, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General HIBBS:

OFFICIAL:

*Melvin C. Waters*  
MELVIN C. WATERS,  
Capt., A. G. D.,  
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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

18 May 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 Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JOHN W. BROWN, JR., 0585501, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Muhlenthal, Germany. As rifle platoon leader, Lieutenant Brown was responsible for the tactical employment of the men under him in successful attacks against the enemy. He continually displayed courage and quick judgment in successfully leading his men in the attacks. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Lieutenant Brown, under hazardous conditions, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Haddonfield, New Jersey.

CULLEN

JAMES G. CULLEN, JR., 02011366, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 861st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 13 April 1945, in the vicinity of Lampertshausen, Germany. Lieutenant Cullen, forward observer, attached to Company "L", 253d Infantry Regiment, in its attack on Lampertshausen, moved to an exposed position under intense enemy fire to direct accurate artillery fire on the enemy held town. When his radio was hit, severing communications, Lieutenant Cullen called for another radio. Upon its receipt he crawled to a new position and directed artillery fire, enabling the company to advance, take the town and cross the Kocher River. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Lieutenant Cullen, under hazardous conditions, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Donalson, New Jersey.

HACKER

→ DEWEY HACKER, 35455443, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company "C", 822d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, in the vicinity of Unterhof, Germany. When the infantry was halted momentarily, due to direct fire from 20 millimeter flak guns, Sergeant Hacker, member of a tank destroyer squad, by-passed the infantry and advanced on Unterhof. Before reaching the town, a squad of enemy troops was forced out of a wooded sector. Mounting three machine guns on a half-track, the squad continued its assault on the town, meeting heavy enemy resistance. In the ensuing fight, the enemy was forced to withdraw and the town was taken. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Sergeant Hacker, under hazardous conditions, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Erlino, Kentucky.



WILLARD R. HEIDENREICH, 33700824, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 863d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 2 April 1945 in the vicinity of Sinshelm, Germany. As relay radio operator with a forward observer section, Technician Fourth Grade Heidenreich maintained radio communications to insure prompt and accurate artillery support to the infantry battalion. During this period, he exposed himself to artillery fire and on one occasion was under direct fire from a German self-propelled gun. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Technician Fourth Grade Heidenreich under hazardous conditions, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Renfrew, Pennsylvania.

LONNIE L. HESS, 33888634, Private First Class, Inf. Co. I, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 1 March 1945 to 15 March 1945 in the vicinity of Bliesbrücken, France. As scout, squad leader and member of combat patrols, Private First Class Hess was responsible for assisting in repelling many enemy patrols. The services of Private First Class Hess have contributed greatly to the successful missions of his company. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Private First Class Hess, under hazardous conditions, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Richlands, Virginia.

WILLIS D. JACKSON, 35291273, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Field Artillery, Battery "C", 863d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action from 13 March 1945 to 23 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ensheim, Germany. Volunteering as a forward observer, Sergeant Jackson was responsible for observing and adjusting artillery fire on the enemy, materially aiding the infantry in accomplishing many of its missions. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Sergeant Jackson, under hazardous conditions, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

CLARENCE D. MILBRODT, 37178594, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945, in the vicinity of Heckendalheim, Germany. When the ammunition for a 57 millimeter gun began to run low, Private First Class Milbrodt, drove to the dump for ammunition. He returned, and despite heavy enemy machine gun, mortar and 88 fire, backed his truck to a point to facilitate quick availability of the ammunition. He returned with a second load and this time unloaded under heavy machine gun and mortar fire. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Private First Class Milbrodt, under hazardous conditions, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

By command of Major General HIBBS:

OFFICIAL:

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RALPH LAVERONA,  
Lt. Col., A. G. D.,  
Adjutant General.

JOHN M. HARDAWAY,  
Lt. Col., G. S. C.,  
Actg. Chief of Staff.

GENERAL ORDERS)

20 May 1945

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Award of the Silver Star (Posthumous) . . . . .	I
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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS) - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General to the following:

CHARLES D. MOODY, 36874772, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 861st Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Unter Gersheim, Germany. During an attack, the company to which Technician Fifth Grade Moody was attached as reconnaissance sergeant, encountered strong resistance. In the face of intense enemy fire, and without regard for personal safety, Technician Fifth Grade Moody held his position and assisted the forward observer in directing artillery fire on the enemy emplacement until resistance ceased, thus enabling the company to take its objective. In the ensuing action Technician Fifth Grade Moody was mortally wounded. The magnificent courage and outstanding gallantry under fire of Technician Fifth Grade Moody reflect the highest credit upon himself and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Mabel V. Moody (Wife), 901 West Hope Avenue, Lansing, Michigan.

II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

PAUL GIZMAR, 35288919, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 255th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. During the attack on the Siegfried Line, Company "E" suffered many casualties that could not be located. Sergeant Gizmar, in the face of heavy enemy mortar, artillery and small arms fire repeatedly exposed himself in order to direct the litter bearers to the many wounded. Through his meticulous searching of the Dragon's Teeth, which readily concealed the fallen, fifty men were discovered and evacuated to safety. The intrepidity with which Sergeant Gizmar performed this heroic act was an inspiration to all those who witnessed his action. Entered military service from Youngstown, Ohio.

JULIUS F. WEBER, 15011979, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, Company "A", 363d Medical Battalion, for gallantry in action on 12 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubingen, Germany. Information was received that an infantry rifle company, isolated in a stone quarry by enemy action, had four men seriously wounded. Sergeant Weber volunteered to lead twelve members of his litter platoon on a mission with a patrol of infantrymen who were assigned to reach the isolated company. Though held up by enemy machine gun and mortar fire, Sergeant Weber led his men into the quarry, located the wounded men, directed the administration of first aid, and led one litter squad to safety across a mined draw. Held up twice by enemy artillery fire, he returned and led two more litter squads to safety under

enemy artillery fire. The magnificent courage and outstanding gallantry under fire of Sergeant Weber reflect the highest credit upon himself and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Wheeling, West Virginia.

III. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

STANLEY F. LelaUKIN, 02055252, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 59th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action from 6 April 1945 to 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Stein, Germany. As forward observer during an attack by the 63d Infantry Division, Lieutenant LelaUKIN aided materially in breaking up enemy counter-attacks after calling for artillery fire within one hundred yards of his own position. Although under constant small arms, mortar and artillery fire, Lieutenant LelaUKIN was responsible for the devastating accuracy of artillery fire upon enemy troops, which were opposing his position, thus enabling the infantry to advance. This outstanding action under fire of Lieutenant LelaUKIN reflects high credit upon himself and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

EARL C. STURM, 0557144, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 9 April 1945 to 25 April 1945, in Germany. As platoon leader in the Battalion Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon, Lieutenant Sturm was assigned the mission of removing road blocks in order to allow battalion transportation and attached armor to proceed with the attack. Lieutenant Sturm personally led his platoon day and night skillfully under enemy fire and removed numerous road blocks and mines from the path of the battalion's attack despite that at times these obstacles seemed impossible to remove. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Lieutenant Sturm, under hazardous conditions, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Holliday, Texas.

IV. 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:

→ JOHN D. TAYLOR, 01823669, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Company "C", 822d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, in the vicinity of Unterhof, Germany. When the infantry was halted momentarily due to direct fire from 20 millimeter flak guns, Lieutenant Taylor, member of a tank destroyer squad, by-passed the infantry and advanced on Unterhof. Before reaching the town, a squad of enemy troops was forced out of a wooded sector. Mounting three machine guns on a half-track, the squad continued its assault on the town, meeting heavy enemy resistance. In the ensuing fight, the enemy was forced to withdraw and the town was taken. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Lieutenant Taylor, under hazardous conditions, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

By command of Major General HIBBS:

OFFICIAL: *Ralph LAVORONA*  
RALPH LAVORONA,  
Lt. Col., U. S. A.,  
Adjutant General.

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



GENERAL ORDERS)

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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 Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JAMES F. ACKINSON, 35400541, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 59th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action from 6 April 1945 to 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Stein, Germany. As radio operator for an artillery observer section, Corporal Ackinson remained constantly at his post maintaining communication with his battalion despite heavy small arms, mortar and artillery fire. His duties as radio operator were interrupted only when he participated in fire fights against the enemy and assisted the field artillery observer in the capture of several prisoners. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Corporal Ackinson, under hazardous conditions, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ironton, Ohio.

WILLIAM G. CHAMBERS, 02007078, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "A", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 March 1945, in the vicinity of Neustadt, Germany. After escaping from a German evacuation hospital, Lieutenant Chambers, although wounded, made his way to our lines and informed others of captured, wounded American soldiers within the hospital and of the possibility of their rescue. With utter disregard for personal safety and waiving immediate treatment of his wounds, Lieutenant Chambers retraced his escape route and led a rescue party to the hospital. Entering the basement of the building, Lieutenant Chambers, with assistance, carried two wounded officers and eight enlisted men to his vehicle and evacuated them to safety. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Lieutenant Chambers, under hazardous conditions, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Lakeworth, Florida.

RICHARD J. CRANE, 0408702, Major (then Captain), Coast Artillery Corps, Hq. 63d Infantry Division, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hesselental, Germany. When Major Crane, another officer and two enlisted men were en route to Hesselental to establish military government, they were halted by enemy small arms fire. Quickly dismounting from his vehicle, Major Crane began firing on the enemy, thus enabling the remainder of his party to withdraw to protective shelter and better firing positions. The brave actions of Major Crane resulted in the capture of three of the enemy, two killed and others forced to withdraw. He then proceeded and accomplished his mission. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Major Crane, under hazardous conditions, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York, New York.

→ SHELTON L. JONES, 38425435, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company "C", 822d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, in the vicinity of Unterhof, Germany. When the infantry was halted momentarily due to direct fire from 20 millimeter flak guns, Corporal Jones, member of a tank destroyer squad, by-passed the infantry and advanced on Unterhof. Before reaching the town, a squad of enemy troops was forced out of a wooded sector. Mounting three machine guns on a half-track, the squad continued its assault on the town, meeting heavy enemy resistance. In the ensuing fight, the enemy was forced to withdraw and the town was taken. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Corporal Jones, under hazardous conditions, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Jemyn, Texas.

CECIL E. McCREARY, 35082500, Private First Class (then Private), Infantry, Company "I", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ruesheim, Germany. When a counter-attack against Company "I" developed, necessitating its withdrawal, Private First Class McCreary, despite the hardship of losing his squad leader and the handicap of a defective weapon, courageously remained at his post, successfully covering his squad's withdrawal. The courage and leadership displayed by Private First Class McCreary were an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and contributed greatly to repulsing the enemy counter-attack. Entered military service from Moundsville, West Virginia.

WILHELM H. A. NEBEL, 32997362, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company "A", 363d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubingen, Germany. Private First Class Nebel, having been assigned to evacuate casualties of Companies "B" and "C", 253d Infantry Regiment, volunteered to follow the advancing infantry elements along the railroad leading into Bubingen. Upon reaching the town, Private First Class Nebel and his group were held up by enemy machine gun and light artillery fire. However, impatient of delay in evacuating seriously wounded casualties, Private First Class Nebel, with utter disregard for his personal safety, administered first aid to two wounded men, and assisted in their evacuation to the rear. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Private First Class Nebel, under hazardous conditions, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York, New York.

→ THOMAS M. NOVAK, 39172494, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company "C", 822d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, in the vicinity of Unterhof, Germany. When the infantry was halted momentarily due to direct fire from 20 millimeter flak guns, Sergeant Novak, member of a tank destroyer squad, by-passed the infantry and advanced on Unterhof. Before reaching the town, a squad of enemy troops was forced out of a wooded sector. Mounting three machine guns on a half-track, the squad continued its assault on the town, meeting heavy enemy resistance. In the ensuing fight, the enemy was forced to withdraw and the town was taken. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Sergeant Novak, under hazardous conditions, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Hartford, Washington.

By command of Major General HIBBS:

OFFICIAL: *Ralph Lavorn*  
RALPH LAVORN  
Lt. Col., A.G.C.,  
Adjutant General.

R E S T R I C T E D

EARLE G. WHEELER,  
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Chief of Staff.