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HEADQUARTERS 90TH INFANTRY DIVISION
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GENERAL ORDERS

No. 66

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45 and Circular 6, Third United States Army, current series, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men for gallantry in action in northern France:

→ 1ST LT THOMAS M. MICHAELS, 01823328, Field Artillery, United States Army. On 17 August 1944 in the vicinity of * * France, while on the mission of supervising the delivery of ammunition he encountered an enemy tank firing through an opening in a hedgerow. Although the area was under small arms fire, Lt Michaels worked his way into a position from which he was able to throw two hand grenades into the open turret and silence the tank. His coolness and gallantry displayed qualities of courage, aggressiveness and determination in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered service from New Jersey.

→ S Sgt Edward L. Gill, 33017597, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 18 August 1944 in the vicinity of * * France, Sgt Gill's company encountered a force of approximately 100 enemy troops in a town, who immediately opened fire. An accompanying armored car was immediately disabled but notwithstanding this fact Sgt Gill ordered his armored car to by-pass the first and charge the enemy troops. While under small arms fire from the enemy position in the town, and disregarding his own personal safety, Sgt Gill stood up in the ring mount unprotected and manned the machine gun as the armored car advanced. This resulted in three of the enemy being killed, seven wounded, thirty captured and the remainder being dispersed. This gallant action on the part of Sgt Gill was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered service from Pennsylvania.

→ Tec 5 Claude D. Deaton, 14067674, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 17 August 1944 in the vicinity of * * France, Tec 5 Deaton was a driver of a tank destroyer which received word that two enemy tanks were located in the town in such a manner that to take them under fire would necessitate exposing his tank destroyer. Notwithstanding this fact Tec 5 Deaton drove the tank destroyer into a street and was immediately hit by two rounds from the enemy tanks. His gunner fired one round knocking out one of the tanks when his gun jammed. Tec 5 Deaton then, after the enemy fire had ignited his tank destroyer backed it into an alley and assisted in extinguishing the fire although his own clothing was on fire at the time. This gallant action on the part of Tec 5 Deaton was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered service from Georgia.

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→ Pfc Frank S. Signa, 34048053, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 18 August 1944 near * * France, when during an engagement with the enemy, the armored car of which Pfc Signa was a crew member, was hit and disabled, Pfc Signa immediately dismounted, joined the foot troops fighting on the ground, and under heavy enemy fire assisted in the capture of the town of * *. His conduct in joining and inspiring those around him in the advance displayed fine qualities of leadership and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered service from Mississippi.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45 and Circular 6, Third United States Army, current series, the Bronze Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men for bravery in action in northern France:

→ LT COL FRANK G. SPIESS, 0266094, Field Artillery, United States Army. On 17 - 18 August 1944 near * * France, Lt. Col Spiess displayed initiative, skill and foresight in making disposition of his unit when directed to take position to repel an enemy attack and for mobilizing and holding the pivotal position. He not only placed his weapons on line but marshalled as many men as possible in supporting his weapons with a ground force not otherwise available. His skill and coolness under fire were outstanding. Entered service from Louisiana.

→ 1ST LT BENJAMIN W. PHILLIPS, 01168414, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 19 August 1944 near * * France, while his unit was supporting an Infantry Regiment and the objective of the Infantry Regiment had been taken, the enemy counterattacked with tanks and Infantry in force. Lt Phillips assisted materially in stopping the counterattack when he led his platoon by a brilliant maneuver into position and knocked out two Mark IV Tanks, one staff car and a machine gun position. Entered service from Pennsylvania.

2D LT CYRIL J. FURY, 0887587, Cavalry, (then S Sgt) United States Army. During the period 6 - 8 August 1944 while advancing on * * France and in particular from * * to * * Lt Fury's aggressive leadership in making rapid and accurate reconnaissance was outstanding. In particular near * * France, he led a foot patrol to discover the main position of the hostile force. While under fire he conducted himself always with coolness and displayed fine qualities of aggressive leadership. Entered service from Minnesota.

S Sgt Glen W. Chaney, 38094016, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. On 9 July 1944 in the vicinity of * * France, Sgt Chaney with the aid of two companions evacuated a wounded man, whom they learned was in a shelled area. On their own initiative, they drove a vehicle into the area, which was subjected to heavy Artillery, mortar and small arms fire, driving one-half mile down the road well in sight of the enemy in order to rescue the wounded man and bring him to a place of safety in the rear. Entered service from Texas.

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S Sgt Fred P. Rozzo, 32927064, Cavalry, United States Army. During the period 6 - 8 August 1944 during the advance on * * France, and in particular from * * to * *, Sgt Rozzo displayed great coolness, leadership and diligence in obtaining information. Twice he was instrumental in preventing damaging flank attacks on the column. The thoroughness of the information transmitted to higher headquarters was a vital factor in its rapid advance and in the destruction of the entire force defending the City of * *. He led his platoon many times while under heavy tank and small arms fire. Entered service from New Jersey.

→ Sgt Wendell B. Baughman, 39172200, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, Sgt Baughman assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Washington.

→ Sgt Arnold E. Block, 36203300, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, Sgt Block assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Wisconsin.

→ Sgt Charles J. Budenich, 20432741, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * * * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Georgia.

→ Sgt Harold F. McAllister, 20432730, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Louisiana.

Tec 4 Julius A. Larson, 37118700, Medical Department, United States Army. On 9 July 1944 in the vicinity of * * France, Tec 4 Larson, with the aid of two companions, evacuated a wounded man when they learned he was in a shelled area. On their own initiative, they drove into the area, which was subjected to heavy Artillery, mortar and small arms fire, driving the vehicle one-half mile down the road well in sight of the enemy in order to rescue the wounded man and bring him back to a place of safety in the rear. Entered service from Minnesota.

Tec 4 Henry P. Lochowicz, 36202683, * * Tank Battalion, United States Army. From 6 - 9 August 1944 during the advance on * * France, Tec 4 Lochowicz was a member of a tank crew which was part of a task force attacking * *. During this period the tank crew destroyed twelve enemy vehicles, including three assault guns, and was largely responsible for the destruction of an enemy force protecting the approach to the city. Entered service from Wisconsin.

→ Cpl Louis P. Balazs, 35135627, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Ohio.

→ Cpl Thomas J. Dickens, 34048162, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Mississippi.

Cpl Robert D. Gladson, 36699453, (then Private) * * Tank Battalion, United States Army. From 6 - 9 August 1944 during the advance on * * France, Pvt Gladson was a member of a tank crew which was part of a task force attacking * * . During this period the tank crew destroyed twelve enemy vehicles, including three assault guns, and was largely responsible for the destruction of an enemy force protecting the approach to the city. Entered service from Illinois.

→ Cpl Jesus M. Luna, 39847994, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Arizona.

→ Cpl Roland W. Parker, 34046062, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Mississippi.

→ Tec 5 Joseph J. Dziga, 32146392, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from New Jersey.

→ Tec 5 Stanley A. Madere, 20432754, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Louisiana.

→ Tec 5 Anthony C. Mannina, 34074232, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Louisiana.

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- Tec 5 Frank J. Qaddo, 20432760, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Louisiana.
- Tec 5 Horace Reviere, 34072420, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 17 August 1944 when Tec 5 Reviere's Battalion was supporting Infantry troops in an attack on * *, casualties became so heavy that normal evacuation was not adequate. Tec 5 Reviere unloaded the ammunition from his truck, went into the town which was still under enemy shell fire and evacuated nine wounded men to the Battalion aid station. Entered service from Louisiana.
- Tec 5 Fred L. Singletary, 34045961, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Louisiana.
- Pfc James W. Barnett, 38300798, Corps of Engineers (then Private), United States Army. On 9 July 1944 Pfc Barnett assisted in evacuating a wounded man, with the aid of two companions, when they learned he was in a shelled area. On their own initiative, they drove into the area, which was subjected to heavy Artillery, mortar and small arms fire, driving one-half mile down the road well in sight of the enemy in order to rescue the wounded man and bring him back to a place of safety in the rear. Entered service from Texas.
- Pfc Raymond H. Dehon, 20432179, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 17 August 1944 in the vicinity of * * France, while a member of the communications section of his Company and finding that normal channels were insufficient to handle all the wounded men in a reasonable length of time, Pfc Dehon assisted in evacuating nine wounded men and brought them to his Battalion aid station. This act was performed during continuous enemy small arms fire falling in the area. Entered service from Louisiana.
- Pfc Peter Englert, 33071070, Medical Department, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, On 17 August 1944 when aid man for a Tank Destroyer Company supporting an Infantry Regiment, Pfc Englert received shrapnel wounds during a heavy concentration of Artillery, small arms and machine gun fire. With utter disregard for his own safety and notwithstanding this wound, Pfc Englert went forward and administered first aid to his troops and attached Infantry troops. Entered service from Pennsylvania.
- Pfc Leopold J. Isaac, 34046014, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Louisiana.

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Pfc Andrew S. Rego, 33698175, (then Private) * * Tank Battalion, United States Army. On 6 - 9 August 1944 during the advance on * * France Pvt Rego was a member of a tank crew which was part of a task force attacking * * . During this period the tank crew destroyed twelve enemy vehicles, including three assault guns, and was largely responsible for the destruction of an enemy force protecting the approach to the city. Entered service from Pennsylvania.

→ Pfc Lawrence H. Ricke, 37221187, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Kansas.

→ Pfc Kenneth J. Wagoner, 35135481, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Ohio.

→ Pvt Bennie B. Blohm, 39385366, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Montana.

Pvt Calvin L. Bolden, 34813526, * * Tank Battalion, United States Army. From 6 - 9 August 1944 during the advance on * * France Pvt Bolden was a member of a tank crew which was part of a task force attacking * * . During this period the tank crew destroyed twelve enemy vehicles, including three assault guns, and was largely responsible for the destruction of an enemy force protecting the approach to the city. Entered service from Alabama.

→ Pvt Failman J. Guilfou, 20432746, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Louisiana.

→ Pvt Eugene K. Lockery, 11072211, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Connecticut.

→ Pvt Troyce R. Patrick, 34047983, * * Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 near * * France, in the face of three and one-half hours of fierce combat, as a member of a tank destroyer crew, he assisted in destroying an armored column consisting of 118 vehicles and the capture of 229 prisoners. Entered service from Mississippi.

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