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I -- 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:

Private Frederick M. Heck, Jr., 36547924, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 19 April 1945, near * * *, Germany, Private Heck, a truck driver, was wounded when a convoy was strafed by enemy planes. Realizing the shortage of transportation facilities, he concealed his wound and continued driving until the convoy reached its destination. Only then did he submit to medical attention. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

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Technician Fifth Grade James J. Johnston, 36887011, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 21 April 1945, near * * *, Germany, a convoy of empty trucks passing through territory previously reported cleared of the enemy, was ambushed and Technician Johnston's truck was knocked out. Technician Johnston and two other men, although subjected to enemy fire on several occasions and forced to swim a river, succeeded in taking four prisoners and returning to our lines. Valuable information was furnished to infantry units maintaining road blocks in the area. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Port Huron, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade Jerry P. Francka, 37075589, Field Artillery, Battery "E", 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 21 April 1945, near * * *, Germany, a convoy of empty trucks passing through territory previously reported cleared of the enemy, was ambushed and Technician Francka's truck was knocked out. Technician Francka and two other men, although subjected to enemy fire on several occasions and forced to swim a river, succeeded in taking four prisoners and returning to our lines. Valuable information was furnished to infantry units maintaining road blocks in the area. His

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actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Bolivar, Missouri.

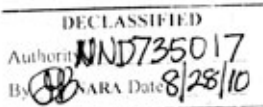
Technician Fifth Grade William C. Thomas, 34572892, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 21 April 1945, near * * *, Germany, a convoy of empty trucks passing through territory previously reported cleared of the enemy, was ambushed and Technician Thomas' truck was knocked out. Technician Thomas and two other men, although subjected to enemy fire on several occasions and forced to swim a river, succeeded in taking four prisoners and returning to our lines. Valuable information was furnished to infantry units maintaining road blocks in the area. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Marietta, Georgia.

Technician Fifth Grade John P. Nagle, 37622819, Battery "C", Field Artillery, 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 23 April 1945, near * * *, Germany, the company to which Technician Nagle was attached as radio operator, was pinned down by heavy enemy small arms fire. Disregarding the hostile fire, he moved forward from the rear of the column over 150 yards of open terrain to establish radio communication with his battalion and the resulting artillery fire drove the enemy from his positions. Technician Nagle's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Overland, Missouri.

Private Kermit L. Coats, 36899909, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 382d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 2 May 1945, near * * *, Austria, when a rifle company was held up by fire from dug-in enemy positions Private Coats, radio operator, made his way down a street under small arms fire to a house where he assisted in transmitting fire missions on the hostile positions. Private Coats' actions which materially assisted the infantrymen in seizing the town, reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Lexington, Kentucky.

Corporal Joseph I. Knaebel, 37245893, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 382d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 2 May 1945, near * * *, Austria, when a rifle company was held up by fire from dug-in enemy positions Corporal Knaebel, artillery liaison corporal, made his way down a street under small arms fire to a house where he assisted in transmitting fire missions on the hostile positions. Corporal Knaebel's actions which materially assisted the infantrymen in seizing the town, reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Jefferson City, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade Erwin C. Keppler, 36412613 (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, Battery "B", 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 23 April 1945, near * * *, Germany, when an attacking rifle company was subjected to artillery and heavy small arms cross fire, Technician Keppler, at the rear of the column, made his way to the forward observer. Disregarding the enemy fire, he remained in an exposed position transmitting

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fire directions which permitted the company to withdraw. Later in the day he again exposed himself to hostile fire to transmit fire directions to our artillery, which broke up an enemy counterattack. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Corporal Walter H. Scheel, Jr., 37447483, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 23 April 1945, near Schlattal, Germany, when an attacking rifle company was subjected to artillery and heavy small arms cross fire, Corporal Scheel, at the rear of the column made his way to the forward observer. Disregarding the enemy fire, he remained in an exposed position transmitting fire directions which permitted the company to withdraw. Later in the day he again exposed himself to hostile fire to transmit fire directions to our artillery, which broke up an enemy counterattack. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Waterloo, Iowa.

CAPTAIN JOE L. MILLER, O1172999, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 384th Field Artillery Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 November 1944 to 4 May 1945, throughout the Germany Campaign from the Vosges Mountains, through the Siegfried Line, and into Austria. Residence: Houston, Texas.

CAPTAIN JACK E. BENDOLPH, O1171516, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 384th Field Artillery Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 November 1944 to 4 May 1945, throughout the Germany Campaign from the Vosges Mountains, through the Siegfried Line, and into Austria. Residence: Tigerton, Washington.

II -- AWARD OF AIR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded to following named individuals for meritorious service while participating in aerial flights:

MAJOR WILLIAM R. PRESTON (then C.P.T.IN), O1175545, Field Artillery, Headquarters 103d Division Artillery, from 22 November 1944 to 26 March 1945 in Eastern France and Western Germany. Residence: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

III -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF AIR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded posthumously to following named individual for meritorious service while participating in aerial flights:

SECOND LIEUTENANT JAMES G. CONNOR, O1185787, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 384th Field Artillery Battalion, from 19 February to 23 March 1945 in Eastern France and Western Germany. Residence: Pensacola, Florida. Next of Kin: Mrs. Corinne M. Connor, (Mother), 316 East Gadsden Street, Pensacola, Florida.

IV -- 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:

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AWARD OF THE SIXTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

FIRST LIEUTENANT F. EDWARD SMITH, 01185199, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 384th Field Artillery Battalion, from 19 March to 26 March 1945, in Eastern France and Germany. Residence: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

AWARD OF THE FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

FIRST LIEUTENANT THOMAS J. BRISCOE, 0532123, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 384th Field Artillery Battalion, from 26 February to 24 March 1945, in Eastern France and Western Germany. Residence: Decatur, Alabama.

AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

FIRST LIEUTENANT ANTHONY P. CALABRO, 01171478, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 384th Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 March to 24 March 1945 in Eastern France and Western Germany. Residence: West Medford, Massachusetts.

V -- 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 Alexander McBain, 32699117, Armored, Company "A", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Germany, 11 April 1945. Residence: Jackson Heights, New York.

Private First Class James P. Albert, 36713256, Infantry, Company "A", 409th Infantry Regiment, Austria, 3 May 1945. Residence: Iuka, Illinois.

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AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART II

I -- 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:

→ Private First Class Carl A. Knoll, 36299504, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, France, 1 December 1944. Residence: Mayville, Wisconsin.

→ Private Eugene E. Goforth, 38578082, Field Artillery, Company "C", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, France, 22 February 1945. Residence: Santa Rita, New Mexico.

Private First Class Robert W. West, 33440708, Infantry, Company "M", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 26 January 1945. Residence: Clairton, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Renold Long, 38699833 (then Private), Infantry, Company "M", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 26 January 1945. Residence: Amarillo, Texas.

Private First Class Richard B. Bogacki, 36957360, Infantry, Company "M", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 March 1945. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Clark Brooks, 37246071 (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company "M", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 19 November 1944. Residence: Fritsee, Missouri.

Private First Class Julian Gershon, 12192419, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 11 November 1944. Residence: New York, New York.

SECOND LIEUTENANT CLARENCE A. BURBANK, 02007138 (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 26 January 1945. Residence: Rochester, Minnesota.

II -- 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:

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Corporal Frank J. Meyer, 36303015, Infantry, Company "E", 411th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Residence: Quincy, Illinois.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL McAULIFFE:

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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 individuals:

MAJOR WILLIAM P. KELEHER, OA53580, Infantry, Headquarters, Third Battalion, 410th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 23 April 1945, near Honau, Germany, when the Third Battalion was halted by enemy automatic weapon fire and mortar barrages, MAJOR KELEHER moved forward in an effort to locate the hostile positions. Forced back by the heavy enemy fire, MAJOR KELEHER formed a task force and mounted the lead reconnaissance car as the column moved forward. Disregarding the heavy enemy fire, he manned a machine gun, and firing tracer ammunition, he directed the fire of the gunners in the armored car, until all the enemy emplacements were silenced. MAJOR KELEHER's actions which secured the route of advance of the battalion reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Fruita, Colorado.

Private First Class Denzil Halsey, 35078859, Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 23 April 1945, when Company "C", 410th Infantry was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire in a heavily defended street in Bohringen, Germany, Private Halsey deliberately exposed himself to locate the source of hostile fire. Disregarding the heavy fire which he drew, he moved forward, killing an enemy machine gunner with rifle fire and, then, firing a rifle grenade, knocked out the machine gun, wounding the remainder of the crew. His aggressive actions which materially assisted the company in its advance reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Pomeroyton, Kentucky.

Private First Class Erwin A. McHorney, 36401549, Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 23 April 1945, near Bohringen, Germany, Company "C", 410th Infantry was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire and Private McHorney voluntarily took command of a squad when the squad leader and assistant squad leader were wounded. Locating the hostile position by purposely exposing himself, he fired his B.A.R. killing the crew of one gun, wounding two members of the crew of the second gun and forcing 14 of the enemy to surrender. Private McHorney's aggressive actions which enabled the company to accomplish its mission reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Jackson, Michigan.

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II -- 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:

Technician Fifth Grade Lester H. Duckett, 36547589, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 16 March 1945, near Gunderschoffen, France, attacking infantry units met heavy enemy machine gun and small arms fire suffering numerous casualties. Technician Duckett, disregarding the enemy fire and showing extraordinary devotion to duty, moved over the exposed terrain rendering aid to the wounded. He continued his work throughout the day and through his efforts many lives were saved and the suffering of the wounded was greatly alleviated. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Private Ronald S. O'Donnell, 34949936, Armored, Company "B", 781st Tank Battalion. For heroism in action. On 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Ober-eifesheim, Germany, Private O'Donnell, with members of his crew, maneuvered his tank across an open field in direct fire of the enemy in order to afford a patrol of pinned down infantrymen protection. In the face of intense enemy machine gun fire both the tank and the patrol successfully withdrew. Private O'Donnell's actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Ashville, Alabama.

Sergeant Roy F. Faulconer, 35260171 (then Corporal), Armored, Company "B", 781st Tank Battalion. For heroism in action. On 14 April 1945, in the vicinity of Willsbach, Germany, Sergeant Faulconer, gunner, observed from his tank a wounded soldier lying in the open, pinned down and trying to reach cover. Without hesitation, Sergeant Faulconer leaped from his tank, picked up the wounded man in the face of intense fire, placed him on the rear of the tank and then directed the vehicle to safety. Sergeant Faulconer's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Covington, Kentucky.

Technical Sergeant Marlow R. Edgar, 38025212, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 2 December 1944, near Ebersheim, France, Sergeant Edgar personally made reconnaissances to determine the best route for laying wire, when his battalion was called up to furnish support to other than its regularly assigned combat team. Under constant small arms and mortar fire, he installed and maintained communications, permitting the battalion to effectively support the infantry. Sergeant Edgar's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Sugarland, Texas.

Staff Sergeant William A. Lewis, 6951791, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 2 December 1944, near Ebersheim, France, when communications were needed to give effective artillery support to an infantry regiment, Sergeant Lewis voluntarily led a wire team to the infantry command post. Although subjected to smallarms and mortar fire, he led his men on, successfully establishing communication. Sergeant Lewis' actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Aliceville, Alabama.

Private First Class Frank W. Bicks, 16144045, Armored, Company "D", 781st Tank Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. During the period 12 December

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1944 to 1 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Private Bucks constantly offered his services as a member of a foot patrol to complete flank missions. In large sectors foot reconnaissance patrols became an increasing necessity and regardless of the danger of the mission or the scope, Private Bucks was always ready. His untiring efforts and courage added immeasurably to the success of the battalion's missions. His actions reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Sergeant Clarence O. Barber, Jr., 6994367, Armored, Company "D", 781st Tank Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. During the period 12 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria, Sergeant Barber constantly offered his services as a member of a foot patrol to complete flank missions. In large sectors foot reconnaissance patrols became an increasing necessity and regardless of the danger of the mission or the scope, Sergeant Barber was always ready. His untiring efforts and courage added immeasurably to the success of the battalion's missions. His actions reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Richmond, Virginia.

CAPTAIN EARL L. DITAMORE, 01296338, Infantry, Headquarters 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 23 April 1945, CAPTAIN DITAMORE, Regimental Adjutant, with two enlisted men enroute to establish an advanced command post in Metzingen, Germany, was fired upon from an enemy position that had been bypassed. Subjected to sniper fire as he entered the town, he quickly placed his men under cover and directed fire against the snipers, routing them from the town. Leaving one man behind he returned to the bypassed hostile position and forced five enemy soldiers to surrender. CAPTAIN DITAMORE's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Raymond F. Offerman, 36515296, Infantry, Company "F", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 10 December 1944 in an attack near Merkeswiller, France, when Sergeant Offerman's platoon leader and senior platoon non-commissioned officers were wounded by heavy small arms and sniper fire, he immediately took command of the platoon. Reorganizing the platoon, he continued the attack enabling the company to accomplish its mission. Sergeant Offerman's outstanding leadership reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class Donald R. Martin, 39216462, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 24 April 1945 near Reidsheim, Germany, when a group moving through enemy occupied territory attempting to contact an adjacent unit was fired upon, Private Martin leaped from a vehicle and began firing at the enemy. Disregarding the enemy small arms and machine gun fire, he continued firing until he expended all ammunition for his carbine and pistol. Inflicting several casualties on the enemy, he succeeded in holding them until the vehicles were turned around and driven to safety. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Seattle, Washington.

FIRST LIEUTENANT WARREN M. MURPHY, 01296070, Infantry, Company "F", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 25 January 1945 near Bischoltz, France, when a strong enemy counterattack forced our troops to with-

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draw, disrupting communications. LIEUTENANT MURPHY, on his own initiative, went forward to reconnoiter the enemy dispositions. Disregarding enemy sniper fire he continued his reconnaissance and although wounded in one leg and unable to walk he crawled through the snow to the Company Command Post furnishing information invaluable to future operations. His devotion to duty reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Ballinger, Texas.

FIRST LIEUTENANT JOSEPH W. MEADOWS, 01292921, Infantry, Company "G", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 23 April 1945, after Company "C", 410th Infantry had occupied positions in Erkenbrechweiler, Germany, LIEUTENANT MEADOWS discovered that his company was surrounded. Exposing himself to enemy small arms, mortar and artillery fire he moved from platoon to platoon, reorganized his defenses and then in an attack drove the enemy from the town. LIEUTENANT MEADOWS' outstanding leadership reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Weston, Massachusetts.

Sergeant Robert L. Keefer, 36288872, Cavalry, 103d Reconnaissance Troop. For heroic achievement in action. From the period 15 March to 23 March 1945, Sergeant Keefer, in command of a reconnaissance section continuously for a period of seven days, maintained contact between the 42d Infantry Division and the 103d Infantry Division during the attack through the Siegfried Line defenses. During the attack the reconnaissance section was forced to engage the enemy in addition to maintaining communications. When Sergeant Keefer found himself at maximum effective radio transmitter range, he layed wire and telephoned information to his radio section, which relayed it to the 103d Infantry Division Command Post. His actions in keeping the two units informed of the tactical situation reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Hannibal, Wisconsin.

SECOND LIEUTENANT CLARENCE A. BURBANK, 02007138 (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 18 January 1945 near Sessenheim, France, when an enemy counterattack forced Company "C", 410th Infantry to withdraw, LIEUTENANT BURBANK organized a group of men into a small covering force. Neutralizing three machine gun positions with carbine and pistol fire, he successfully directed his men in a holding action until the company withdrew to defensive positions. LIEUTENANT BURBANK's outstanding leadership reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Rochester, Minnesota.

Private Maximino A. Medina, 38248240, Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 20 March 1945, the First Battalion, 411th Infantry, advancing on Nieder Schlettenbach, Germany, was subjected to automatic weapon fire from a pillbox on the Battalion's flank. Disregarding the hostile fire, Private Medina charged the emplacement with his rifle and killed the two occupants. Private Medina's actions, which prevented further casualties and secured the Battalion's route of advance, reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: San Antonio, Texas.

FIRST LIEUTENANT ERV R. TALLBERG, 0547493 (then SECOND LIEUTENANT), Field Artillery, Battery "B", 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroism in action. On 23 April 1945, when a rifle company, attacking high ground near Schlattstall,

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Germany, was subjected to artillery, machine gun and small arms fire, LIEUTENANT TALLEBERG, exposed to the enemy, directed fire on the hostile positions. Later when the company was forced to withdraw, he again remained exposed, directing artillery fire which inflicted numerous casualties upon the enemy, until the company withdrew to the town. LIEUTENANT TALLEBERG's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Flint, Michigan.

Private First Class Dominick N. Rosa, 31330082, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 21 April 1945, near Kirchheim, Germany, when 88 millimeter artillery and automatic weapon fire knocked out the prime mover which was pulling his anti-tank gun and stopped the remainder of a task force, Private Rosa dismounted from the vehicle, placed the anti-tank gun into position and fired on the enemy emplacements. Although the prime mover was again struck by an enemy shell, he continued to fire until a direct hit knocked out his gun and he, himself, was wounded. Private Rosa's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: New Haven, Connecticut.

FIRST LIEUTENANT TEDDY C. FOULOS, 0554208 (then SECOND LIEUTENANT), Field Artillery, Battery "C", 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroism in action. On 23 April 1945 near Schlattstall, Germany, when Company "K", 410th Infantry was pinned down by intense enemy small arms, machine gun and artillery fire, LIEUTENANT FOULOS, forward observer, directed artillery fire on enemy positions within 100 yards of his own observation post. Later in the day when the company was withdrawn to support adjacent units in repulsing a counterattack, he exposed himself to automatic weapon and small arms fire, directing artillery fire, which enabled the infantry to repel the attack. LIEUTENANT FOULOS' actions, which inflicted numerous casualties upon the enemy, reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Jacksonville, Florida.

Staff Sergeant Henry A. Oomen, 36412843, Infantry, Company "A", 409th Infantry Regiment. For Heroism in action. On 2 May 1945, near Reith, Austria, when Company "A", 409th Infantry was preparing to continue the attack, it was subjected to automatic weapon fire from high ground immediately to the front. Disregarding fire from four well emplaced machine guns, Sergeant Oomen ran from cover to select an advantageous position for his machine gun section. Although wounded in the face, he led his section to picked positions and directing their fire, neutralized the hostile emplacements. Sergeant Oomen's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Walkerville, Michigan.

FIRST LIEUTENANT GEORGE D. HENRY, JR., 01296030, Infantry, Company "I", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 21 April 1945, LIEUTENANT HENRY, then Battalion S-2, encountered small arms and mortar fire while attempting to contact Company "K", 411th Infantry in the vicinity of Hogenlohe, Germany. Moving over open terrain and under intense enemy sniper fire, LIEUTENANT HENRY contacted the leading armored vehicle and directed machine gun and cannon fire on the positions reducing enemy fire allowing his elements to advance. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Reading, Pennsylvania.

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Private First Class Arnold L. Marlowe, 36370876, Infantry, Company "F", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 3 May 1945 near Telfs, Austria, after Private Marlowe's squad had prevented the destruction of a bridge spanning the Inn River, the enemy immediately opened fire from the opposite bank. Although wounded in the arm, Private Marlowe remained exposed, firing at the enemy. Observing two enemy soldiers moving panzerfausts into position to blast a house that was being used by other members of his squad to cover the bridge, he killed both of them with rifle fire. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Homer, Illinois.

III -- 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 individuals:

Sergeant Bruno W. Pachisky, 36773407, Infantry, Company "K", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 27 April 1945 near Wiedergeltingen, Germany, when a convoy was being strafed by enemy planes, Sergeant Pachisky, instead of seeking cover, warned his men and assisted them from a truck. Running to the .50 caliber machine gun mounted on the truck, he attempted to put it into action but was mortally wounded by machine gun fire from the enemy planes. Sergeant Pachisky's unselfish efforts to help his men to safety reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Chicago, Illinois. Next of kin: Mrs. Bernice M. Pachisky (Mother), 10629 Edbrooke Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Private August Armocida, 32645699, Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 21 March 1945, during an attack through a wooded area near Nieder Schlettenbach, Germany, Private Armocida, observing fire from an enemy pillbox 200 yards distant, dashed through artillery and mortar fire to a point near the emplacement. Then crawling toward the pillbox, he fired his rifle into the aperture, forcing 14 of the enemy to surrender. Private Armocida's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: New York, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Carmella Armocida (Wife), 2325 Southern Boulevard, New York, New York.

IV -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to following named individual:

Staff Sergeant Edward A. Tomcavage, 36550461, Infantry, Company "A", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 2 May 1945, Sergeant Tomcavage, in a house on the edge of Reith, Austria, observing an enemy machine gun position on a ridge 200 yards distant, ordered a machine gun placed outside the building. He then dashed out into the street, and standing exposed to intense enemy fire, pointed out the target, enabling the gunner to neutralize the position. Sergeant Tomcavage's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Birmingham, Michigan. Next of kin: Mrs. Anna Lazarnikus (Mother), Route 1, Gatwissa, Pennsylvania.

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

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V - AWARD OF SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL.

Corporal Bernard Berkowitz, 32058053, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 59th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, from 1 April to 19 April 1945 in Germany. Residence: Jersey City, New Jersey.


VI -- 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 individual for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

→ Private First Class Jack E. White, Jr., 36780443, Field Artillery, Company "A", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, France, 1 December 1944. Residence: Decatur, Illinois.

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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:

Sergeant Harvel Bennett, 38388552, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 928th Field Artillery Battalion, from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Residence: Lapeer, Michigan.

CAPTAIN LEO CAWTHON, JR, 01172407, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 383d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March to 30 March 1945, in France and Germany. Residence: Childress, Texas.

FIRST LIEUTENANT PAUL W. SEARLES, 01161120, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 383d Field Artillery Battalion, on 22 April 1945, in Germany. Residence: Barre, Vermont.

→ Technician Fifth Grade Robert Elderbroom, 42026256, Field Artillery, Company "A", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 30 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Residence: Syracuse, New York.

Staff Sergeant Victor M. Konieczski, 16170095, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 928th Field Artillery Battalion, from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

→ Sergeant Alexander McIntosh, 32698450, Field Artillery, Company "A", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 27 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Brooklyn, New York.

FIRST LIEUTENANT GORDON E. SATHE, 01308386, Infantry, Service Company, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 3 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Jackson, Minnesota.

Sergeant Louis S. Lancour, 36287790, Infantry, Service Company, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Duluth, Minnesota.

CAPTAIN RAYMOND C. DE FORGE, 01106678, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters 328th Engineer Combat Battalion, from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Montpelier, Vermont.

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MAJOR WILBUR R. DONALDSON, O3M4104, General Staff Corps, (Adjutant General's Department), Headquarters, 103d Infantry Division, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: El Cerrito, California.

FIRST LIEUTENANT FREDERICK G. YARLOTT, O1O15568, Cavalry, Headquarters 781st Tank Battalion, from 6 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Newtonville, Massachusetts.

FIRST LIEUTENANT WILLIAMSON W. CLEMENS, O1O1O051, Cavalry, Headquarters 781st Tank Battalion, from 1 July 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Indianapolis, Indiana.

CAPTAIN ROBERT J. GILLESPIE, O1541818, Medical Administrative Corps, Headquarters Detachment, 328th Medical Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: St. Joseph, Michigan.

Master Sergeant Robert M. Sullivan, 11017414, Finance Department, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 21 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Palmer, Massachusetts.

Technician Fourth Grade Cornelius C. Griess, 37088782, Infantry, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, on 5 May 1945, in Austria. Residence: Scotts Bluff, Nebraska.

CAPTAIN CLARK R. ROMINGER, O494977, Medical Corps, Company "B", 328th Medical Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Waukon, Iowa.

CAPTAIN DANIEL BRIGHT, O511087, Medical Corps, Company "C", 328th Medical Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Jacksonville, North Carolina.

CAPTAIN JOHN W. DONALD, O517420, Medical Corps, Company "A", 328th Medical Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Pineapple, Alabama.

MAJOR ARTHUR D. WILSON, O1821200, Medical Corps, Company "D", 328th Medical Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Carrollton, Illinois.

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- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL III
- AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL IV

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 individuals:

SECOND LIEUTENANT ALEXANDER BARBOUR, 02000699, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 41th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 23 April 1945, while leading his platoon in an attack on Neuhausen, Germany, LIEUTENANT BARBOUR was painfully wounded in both legs. Lying in an exposed position and unable to reach cover due to his wounds, LIEUTENANT BARBOUR continued to direct his platoon and the fire of attached tank destroyer guns against the enemy emplacements. Not until the enemy had been routed from the town did he submit to evacuation. LIEUTENANT BARBOUR's outstanding leadership and his refusal to leave his platoon in a critical situation reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Ecorse, Michigan.

Private First Class George E. Rice, Jr., 37704749, Infantry, Company "C", 41st Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 27 January 1945, during a house to house fight in Schillersdorf, France, Private Rice took command of a machine gun squad when his squad leader was wounded. Placing his squad in a safe position, he crawled forward alone, carrying his machine gun. Remaining in an exposed position, and disregarding bazooka and heavy machine gun fire, he knocked out the enemy bazooka with his accurate fire. Private Rice's actions which enabled his company to continue its advance reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Pueblo, Colorado.

CAPTAIN DAVID B. MOSELEY, 01296405, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 41st Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 24 April 1945, near Reidsheim, Germany, CAPTAIN MOSELEY drove forward through hostile territory to contact an adjacent unit. Approaching the rear of an escaping enemy wagon train, he opened fire and killed two of the enemy. Returning to his unit he organized a small force and led them in an attack on the supply train, killing 15 of the enemy, capturing 40, and leaving the remainder of the wagon train in complete disorder. After making proper disposition of the prisoners he completed his mission. CAPTAIN MOSELEY's actions, which led to the capture of the town, were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Ennis, Texas.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL WILLIAM M. KASPER, 023210, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 41st Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 21 April 1945,

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men to attack, Private Jaskot dashed out of the woods, directed fire into the hostile group until he was mortally wounded by sniper fire. Private Jaskot's actions, which enabled the squad to repulse the attack and protect our tanks, reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Passaic, New Jersey. Next of kin: Mrs. Anna Fisher (Mother), 66 Wall Street, Passaic, New Jersey.

→ Corporal John F. Gordy, 32695423, Field Artillery, Company "A", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 April to 4 May 1945; in Germany and Austria. Residence: Brooklyn, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Gordy, (Mother), 3307 Glenwood Road, Brooklyn, New York.

IV -- AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, is awarded following named individuals:

MAJOR LESTER R. MOFFATT, O257235, Infantry, Headquarters, First Battalion, 409th Infantry Regiment, from 30 April to 3 May 1945, in Germany and Austria. Residence: Malvern, Pennsylvania.

FIRST LIEUTENANT WILLIAM P. GANNAWAY, O1115263, Corps of Engineers, Company "A", 328th Engineer Combat Battalion, from 29 April to 4 May 1945, in Germany and Austria. Residence: Dallas, Texas.

CAPTAIN FREDERICK D. DURAND, O1030654, Cavalry, 103d Reconnaissance Troop, from 29 April to 3 May 1945, in Germany and Austria. Residence: Junction City, Kansas.

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