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Award of Silver Star . . . . . I

I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

JOHN A. CAMPBELL, O1 998 051, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Company "A", 601st Tank Destroyer Battalion. For gallantry in action. On 25 January 1945 at about 0600 hours, in the vicinity of Rosencrantz, France, while engaging the enemy in mortal combat, First Lieutenant CAMPBELL's Tank Destroyer was knocked out by an enemy 77 mm. A T shell, and two of his crewmen were seriously wounded. He ordered his crew to dismount and take cover, and then pointed out the enemy anti-tank gun to another Tank Destroyer who knocked it out. He then administered first-aid to his wounded men and found that two of his men were missing. Despite the fierce enemy fire which was landing all around, in an attempt to find his crewmen, First Lieutenant CAMPBELL raced to the position of his destroyer, only to be captured by 14 enemy soldiers who were surrounding it. However, he convinced the enemy soldiers that they should be the captives and not the captors, and turned them over to an infantry platoon who arrived on the scene of action. Residence: Cambridge, Massachusetts.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL SEXTON:

CHARLES E. JOHNSON  
Colonel, GSC  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:



S. J. ROGERS  
Lt Colonel, AGD  
Adjutant General.

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