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HEADQUARTERS 409th INFANTRY
Office of the Regimental Commander

10 March 1945

Subject: Letter of Transmittal.

To : Commanding General, 103d Infantry Division, APO 470, US Army.
(ATT: Division Historian)

Transmitted herewith is Unit History, 409th Infantry Regiment,
for month of February 1945.

For the Commanding Officer:

William C. Moore
WILLIAM C. MOORE
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NARRATIVE
409th INFANTRY REGIMENT
For Month of February 1945

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Except for sporadic raids on enemy-held towns and routine patrol actions, ~~February~~ saw the Regiment continuing in the passive role in which it had been cast during the preceding month. Defensive positions were continually improved. Training was conducted for the constantly rotated reserve battalion. Orientation was provided on the flame thrower; men were familiarized with the appearance of the new M4A3 tank; special courses of instruction for officers and men were conducted; weapons were zeroed in.

For the last quarter of the month the Regiment was held in Division Reserve and a daily 8-hour training schedule was maintained. During this period recreation was provided under the direction of Tec 5 Byron A. Gosden, 57447049, of Waterloo, Iowa, Regimental Entertainment Director, in the form of two taprooms in Bouxwiller (8125) that were converted for use of the men, and motion pictures that were exhibited in the town theatre. The two bistros, in a display of sentimental nostalgia, were christened Abe & Pappy's, after a Dallas cafe the men used to frequent, and Leon & Eddie's, after a New York night club they would have liked to have been in a position to frequent. They were open daily from 1000 to 2100, offering beer, magazines and writing paper and, after 1400, providing entertainment recruited from the ranks in the form of a band, accordion and piano solos, novelty acts and vocals. The Regimental Band, whose comple-

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ment had been depleted in combat, performed very creditably although Impresario Gosden constantly lamented their lack of a trombonist and exhorted the Regimental Sergeant Major to carefully screen the Form 20s of reinforcements and divert one to his use.

The motion picture theatre, competently staffed by members of the 34th Special Service Company and equipped with their projection facilities, provided six showings a day beginning at 0800, 1000, 1300, 1500, 1800 and 2050. Recorded music was played between performances. Some of the films shown during this period were "Song of Bernadette", "Home in Indiana", and "The Doughgirls".

Our own soldier show, "Laff It Off", was featured in the two cafes until the 25d of February and was well received. Following that the 34th Special Service Company staged "Stars without Garters" on the night of the 25th and the next two days. The Division Band was occasionally also pressed into service.

The 1st and 3d Battalions, Antitank, Headquarters and Cannon Companies of the Regiment and attached units of the 328th Medics, 328th Engineers, 48th Tank Battalion and 14th Armored Division, which were stationed in Bouxwiller, availed themselves of the entertainment facilities offered. The 2d Battalion in Obersultzbach (7928) was alternately shuttled to Bouxwiller and provided with movies through the instrumentality of our own generator and projector, on those rare occasions when the latter was out of repair. Entrepreneur Gosden ventured to offer statistics to support his contention that our projector has been in repair longer and more often than any other

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projector in any Army in any world. Service Company in Gottesheim (811195) was similarly cared for.

A day-by-day diary of events for the month follows:

1 February

The 2d Battalion completed relief of elements of the 3d Battalion, 410th Infantry, at 2200. The 3d Battalion remained in Regimental Reserve in the vicinity of Obermodern (855275). Antitank Company made reconnaissance for new positions. Cannon Company CP moved to Ringeldorf (905251).

2 February

Company C completed relief of Company B at 1815. Coordination was effected with the 506th Parachute Infantry on the right. A security school was conducted for elements of forward units. The 3d Battalion reconnoitred and continued plans for a raid on Kindwiller (9029) to be conducted at some future date.

3 February

The 1st and 2d Battalions occupied positions on the MLR and continued to improve foxholes and gun positions. Duck boards were constructed for foxholes. The 3d Battalion, in Regimental Reserve, was inspected by General McAulliffe. Company I continued preparations for its raid.

4 February

In accordance with Operations Instruction No. 60, Hq 103d Division, dtd 041700 Feb 45, the Regiment relieved elements of the 506th Parachute Infantry, beginning at 2200. A raid on Kindwiller was unsuccessful as the enemy was on the alert and the force was unable to enter the town. Relief of the 506th had not been completed at the close of the period.

5 February

The 1st Battalion extended the MLR in accordance with Operations Instructions No. 60. At 0053 the 3d Battalion completed relief of elements of the 506th Parachute Infantry of the 101st Airborne Division and coordinated our defense on the right boundary with the 502d Parachute Infantry.

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5 February (Cont'd)

Relief of Companies F and G in accordance with Operations Instruction No. 60 was accomplished by 1930 and the 2d Battalion moved to Bueswiller (8724) as Regimental Reserve.

6 February

The 2d Battalion in Regimental Reserve made plans for counterattack and RPL. The 1st and 3d Battalions sent out two patrols each. The 3d improved positions and duckboarded foxholes.

7 February

The 2d Battalion in reserve made plans for future raids. Patrols were active during the period. A small enemy patrol was ambushed and dispersed by fire, 1 German being killed. Two SP 90-mm TD guns fired on targets in Kindwiller and Bitschhoffen (9128), obtaining excellent results.

8 February

At 0050, prior to the raid on Kindwiller, Capt Roger H. Craddock, O1296527, of Winnsboro, Texas, Commanding Officer of Company G, checked in at the 1st Battalion outpost with his Battalion S-2 and was given information obtained from four prisoners captured about an hour earlier. The Company passed through the outpost at 0100 following a route along the north bank of the Moder River to the West that had been reconnoitred from the air the day before by Capt Craddock. For communications the CO was provided with an SCR 300 which maintained contact with La Walck; platoon leaders had SCR 556 radios which, however, proved useless.

At 0125 the party had proceeded about a thousand yards on its way. At 0140 Capt Craddock reported that he was changing direction to the north to approach Kindwiller on a previously planned line of march. Due to the dense vineyards they were traveling very slowly by 0210, having had no contact with the enemy. At 0225, when the Company was about 300 yards south of Kindwiller, one round of artillery from concentration No. 1 was called for to mark the west end of the town and sixteen minutes later one round of concentration No. 2 to mark the east end of town. At this time the Company was about 150 yards south of its objective and platoons were moving into position for the attack. At 0310, when about 50 yards from Kindwiller, enemy machine guns opened up. The two assault platoons, which were armed almost exclusively with M-3 sub-machine guns and BARs, returned the fire immediately. Capt Craddock called for artillery concentrations Nos. 1 and 2 to be

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8 February (Cont'd)

fired and also requested that artificial moonlight be turned on the town.

Three platoons entered the town, one assault platoon probing the streets to the east and the other clearing the buildings on the north side. The 3d platoon followed immediately to contend with the buildings on the south side. The 4th platoon remained in support about 75 yards south of town to be prepared to gather prisoners. By 0321 seven prisoners had been taken and placed in the custody of the support platoon. At 0321 Capt Craddock ordered the artificial moonlight to be extinguished and a minute later a green parachute flare, the prearranged signal for withdrawal, was released. At 0330 artillery and cannon fire was ordered held for five minutes, after which time all concentrations were fired to cover the withdrawal.

The first elements returned to la Walck at 0410, the remainder of the Company closing at approximately 0530. During the period of withdrawal litters were used to evacuate the casualties, who were carried across the bridge to Pfaffenhoffen (9127) and there placed in medical aid jeeps.

As a result of the raid nine prisoners were taken, three known machine guns and an unknown number of machine pistols were silenced by hand grenades; enemy dead were unknown. The casualties sustained by Company G were 1 killed, 6 missing and 18, including 2 officers, wounded. Of the latter 4 were returned to duty.

At a battalion inspection and review at 1400, General McAuliffe presented Bronze Star Medals to the following for their heroism during the raid: Capt Craddock; 1st Lt Avel O. Henneke, 0547560, Drummond, Okla; S/Sgt Ludovic P. Cogozzo, 36714107, Chicago, Ill; and Pvt Earl E Sprague, 31468854, Machias, Me.

The Regimental sector was otherwise quiet during the day. Front line battalions continued to improve positions and coordinated their fires with adjacent units. Patrols were active during the night but reported no contact with the enemy.

9 February

The 1st and 3d Battalions continued improvement of primary and alternate positions on the MLR and installations of duckboards in MLR positions were completed. Patrols from front line battalions, active during the night, reported enemy activity in the vicinity of Kindwiller. Scattered artillery fire was received in the sector during the period. Three prisoners were cap-

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9 February (Cont'd)

tured in the vicinity of 928277. At 2000 Company C began the relief of Company A, completing it by 2545; Relief in position of Company I by Company L, begun at 2000, was accomplished by 2530.

10 February

The 1st and 3d Battalions occupied the MLR and continued to strengthen their positions. Antitank and Cannon Companies made further improvements in their positions. A firing range was improvised and familiarization firing with the bazooka was conducted by the 2d Battalion. Enemy activity during the period was limited to scattered small groups observed in the woods east of Bitschhoffen (9128), and Kindwiller where vehicular movement was reported. Patrols from 1st and 3d Battalions made no contact with the enemy.

11 February

The 1st and 3d Battalions occupied the OPL and MLR. The 1st Battalion sent out two patrols during the period. The 2d Battalion in reserve conducted familiarization firing of rifles, bazookas and rifle grenades. Instruction in the use of demolitions was conducted with selected group of officers and NCOs. A & P Platoon painted trees bordering the road from Ringeldorf (9025) to Pfaffenhoffen white to aid in blackout driving. The 3d Battalion sent out three patrols. The Regimental Staff conducted an inspection of all CP installations. The M4A5, new model tank, was sent through all towns where battalions were located in order to familiarize troops with its appearance. Personnel of Separate Companies studied appearance of tanks as they were en route.

12 February

The 1st and 3d Battalions improved their positions. One platoon from each of Companies F, G and H worked on the RML; the remainder of the 2d Battalion continued in Regimental Reserve, and was subjected to a weapons inspection. Two patrols were sent out by the 3d Battalion and one PW was taken at 916282 following a brief skirmish.

13 February

The 2d Battalion in reserve conducted schools on forward observation, bridge reconnaissance and use of bangalore torpedoes. One platoon each from Companies E, F and G continued work on RML.

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14 February

The 1st Bn improved positions on the MLR. The 2d Battalion continued training and made plans to relieve the 1st, a move which was completed at 2345. The 1st Battalion moved into Regimental Reserve at Bueswiller (8724) to conduct training and rehabilitate itself. The 3d Battalion set ten trip flares in front of its forward positions and sent out two patrols that made no contact with the enemy.

15 February

Defensive positions were maintained in the sector. The 1st Battalion in reserve engaged in the cleaning of personnel and equipment. The 2d Battalion prepared duck boards and covers for foxholes and improved defensive positions. The Battalion CP moved to Schalkendorf (8726). The 3d dug in a new OP. Reinforcements were integrated with their companies. Selected officers and NCOs attended school on forward observation in the afternoon. Battalion Intelligence Personnel attended orientation class with 562d Field Artillery Battalion on the composition of artillery targets. Two patrols sent out from the 3d Battalion, one to woods in the vicinity of 9827 and the other to Bitschhoffen, made no contact with the enemy.

16 February

The 1st Battalion in reserve continued its cleaning of men, weapons, materials and quarters. The 2d and 3d Battalions occupied the MLR and OPLR, improving positions. The 2d Battalion brought mortar fire to bear on a small enemy group at 908292 causing several casualties. The A&P Platoons of both battalions improved roads within their sectors. A patrol to point 932282 encountered an enemy patrol and received some small arms fire. They then proceeded to 920287 where they contacted a 15-man German patrol and a brief skirmish resulted. A second patrol moved to 903287, but made no contact. At the end of the period Company K was in the process of relieving Company L on the OPLR. Company L was moving to the positions formerly occupied by Company K.

17 February

The 1st Battalion in reserve was inspected by General McAuliffe at 0900. He pronounced it the finest looking battalion in the division. The 2d Battalion set 12 trip flares in its sector; the A&P platoon continued to improve roads and bridges. At 1400 mortar fire was placed on a group of six of the enemy east of Kindwiller with unobserved results. Three patrols made no contact.

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18 February

Front line troops occupied OPLR and MLR and continued to improve positions. The 1st Battalion in reserve followed a prescribed eight-hour training schedule for all personnel. Operations Instruction No. 62, Hq 103d Division, dtd 180800 Feb 45, was received. It directed that the Regiment coordinate relief of elements in present sector with the Commanding Officer, Combat Command B, 14th Armored Division, relief to be accomplished the night of 19-20 February; relieve elements of the 411th Infantry in the new sector during the night of 20-21 February, relief to be completed by 210800 February; and defend its new sector with not to exceed two battalions abreast. Necessary plans and reconnaissance were initiated to effect the change in boundary at the proper time. A raid in the vicinity of Ueberach (9227) was in progress as the period ended.

19 February

The Regiment manned the OPLR and MLR in its sector. The Regimental CP closed at Ringendorf (8623) and opened at Bouxwiller (8125) at 1400. The 1st Battalion in reserve test fired the carbine, M-1 rifle, BAR and machine guns. All Companies in the battalion except Company D saw the training film, "Your Job in Germany". The Battalion CP moved to Obermodern (8527). In the 1st Battalion 256 men viewed the training film; the A&P Platoon improved roads in the battalion zone. The 3d Battalion sent out one patrol which captured one PW. Approximately 250 men saw the training film. The Battalion CP moved to Bueswiller (8724). The 3d Battalion and elements of the 2d Battalion were relieved in position at 2254 by Combat Command B, 14th Armored Division, the 3d Battalion moving to Bueswiller. Company F (-1 Plat) and Company G moved to Schalkendorf (8726). One platoon of Company F organized positions in the vicinity of 868270.

20 February

The MLR was occupied by Company E and a platoon of Company G. The 1st and 3d Battalions spent the period cleaning equipment and personnel, the 1st completing the test firing of all weapons in the battalion on a range in the vicinity of Bueswiller. The Cannon Company CP moved to Menchhoffen (825289), displaced one gun battery and fired one mission. The 3d platoon of Antitank Company assembled in Mechhoffen and the rest of the Company remained in position in support of the MLR.

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21 February

The 1st Battalion cared for and cleaned weapons after zeroing them in. The battalion began moving to Bouxwiller (6125) at 1800 and closed into its new area at 2040. Relief of the 2d Battalion in its positions by the 410th Infantry commenced at dark and was completed at 2210, the battalion closing in Obersoultzbach (7928) at 2321. The 3d Battalion zeroed weapons and attended a lecture on what to do if captured which was given by an EPOUSA representative. Instruction was also given on the care of the feet. The battalion moved from Bueswiller (8724) to Bouxwiller, closing at 1840.

22 February

Preparations were made for training while in Division Reserve. Reconnaissance was made for ranges and training areas. An inspection was conducted by the 1st Battalion. The 2d Battalion attended a lecture by an EPOUSA representative on what to do if captured. Road blocks and security patrols were instituted and counterattack plans for employment of the Regiment against enemy penetration were drawn up.

23 February

The Regiment remained in Division Reserve. Battalion Commanders and staffs made reconnaissance for Regimental counterattack plans. Ranges were completed and readied for operation. All battalions and separate companies followed prescribed training schedules. Instruction in Allied and enemy mines was given to the 1st and 3d Battalions by an officer from Company A, 528th Engineer (C) Battalion. The 3d Battalion was held on a two-hour alert status; Company A was on a 30-minute alert status.

24 February

A special lecture on "Allied and Enemy Mines Used in This Theatre" was given to the 2d Battalion, AT and Cannon Companies. Training continued per schedule, the program for all units including security, physical training, conservation of equipment, close order drill and care of the feet. Work was begun on a new assault course in the vicinity of 750242. Alert Co: K; alert Bn: 3d.

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25 February

Elements of the 1st and 3d Battalions manned road blocks. The 2d Battalion held a class on the employment of tanks with infantry given by an officer from the 756th Tank Battalion. Alert Co: L; alert Bn: 2d.

26 February

All battalions attended a lecture on air support given by the Division Air Support Officer. Officers in the 3d Battalion attended a class in armor identification conducted by a representative from the 756th Tank Battalion. A Communications School under Regimental control was instituted for communications personnel. Elements of the 2d and 3d Battalions fired weapons on improvised ranges. Alert Co: I; alert Bn: 1st.

27 February

The 2d and 3d Battalions received instruction in the identification of armored vehicles using 756th Tank Battalion vehicles as demonstrators. Communication training continued. A test run was made by Company B, the alert company. Assembly in Bosselshausen (8322) was completed 46 minutes after the alert and movement order was given to the 1st Battalion. A class in the use of flame throwers was conducted by a representative from the 328th Engineer (C) Battalion for selected officers of all units of the Regiment. Construction of the assault firing range was completed. Normal training schedules were followed by all Regimental units. Alert Co: B; alert Bn: 2d.

28 February

The 1st Battalion conducted training for all rifle company personnel on the assault firing course. The 2d Battalion received instruction in the operation and employment of the flame thrower. Five illuminating shells per company were fired for demonstration purposes. All other elements conformed to the usual training schedule. Alert Co: B; alert Bn: 3d.

For the Commanding Officer:

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SECURITY REPORT
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<u>RANK AND NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>PLACE OF ENTRY INTO SV</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
<u>Headquarters Co</u>				
Pfc Preston E. Enfield	33740229	Washington, D. C.	LIA	10 Feb 45
Pvt Richard E. Barnett	32704536	New York, N. Y.	LIA	12 Nov 44
Sgt Jimmie Workman	34658740	Cheraw, S. C.	LIA	29 Nov 44
<u>Service Co</u>				
None				
<u>Antitank Co</u>				
None				
<u>Cannon Co</u>				
None				
<u>Medical Det</u>				
Pfc Walter E. Slavens	38511269	Hackett, Ark.	MIA	8 Feb 45
Pfc Roman T. Stelemore, Jr.	56672217	Chicago, Ill.	DOW	15 Feb 45
Cpl Edward Vetsch	37542266	Linton, N. Dak.	LIA	2 Feb 45
<u>Hq. Co. 1st Bn.</u>				
Tec 4 Daniel Bruce	36287614	Siren, Wis.	LIA	3 Feb 45
Cpl William F. Moomey	37446107	Muscataine, Ia.	LWA	4 Feb 45
Pfc Basil C. Dunn	38468201	Ponca City, Okla.	DOW	4 Feb 45
Pfc Sidney D. Gantman	31303936	Boston, Mass.	LWA	19 Feb 45
Tec 4 Henry Paiva	20014484	Hilo, Hawaii	LIA	8 Feb 45
Lt Col Teal Therrell	0354062	Bennettsville, S. C.	LIA	10 Feb 45
Sgt Henry W. Busch	37447860	Clarksville, Ia.	LIA	14 Dec 44
<u>COMPANY A</u>				
None				
<u>COMPANY B</u>				
Pvt Raymond Fireshaker	6952569	Ponca City, Okla.	MIA	20 Jan 45

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<u>COMPANY C</u>				
Pvt Wendell A. Stokes	35236987	Urbana, Ohio	MIA	30 Jan 45
Pvt Carlton Coleman	54516282	Easley, S. C.	LWA	6 Feb 45
Tec 5 Oscar R. Dase, Jr.	12010830	Atlantic City, N. J.	LWA	6 Feb 45
Sgt Edmund L. England	20441240	Greenville, S. C.	LWA	6 Feb 45
Pfc Leroy Wallis	37633872	Salem, Mo.	LWA	6 Feb 45
1st Lt Joseph T. Barber	01310205	Trenton, N. J.	LWA	12 Feb 45
Pvt James C. Rost	37661836	Des Moines, Ia.	LWA	24 Jan 45
Sgt Martin J. O'Grady	36547497	Detroit, Mich.	LWA	6 Feb 45
<u>Company D</u>				
None				
<u>Hq. Co. 2nd Bn.</u>				
Pfc Stephen J. Burzynski	35537534	Toledo, Ohio	KIA	3 Dec 44
Pfc Arthur L. Helvy	37400718	St. Louis, Mo.	KIA	3 Dec 44
<u>COMPANY E</u>				
Pvt Clifton Davis	34383092	Gaffney, S. C.	LWA	4 Dec 44
Pfc Adrian S. Neuman	35066407	Cleveland, Ohio	LIA	4 Feb 45
Pfc William J. Condon	18227328	Houston, Texas	SWA	5 Feb 45
Pfc Leonard E. Nysven	36972344	White Hall, Wis.	SWA	5 Feb 45
Pfc John A. Carey	36579844	Detroit, Mich.	LWA	5 Feb 45
S/Sgt Edgar J. Otte	37402241	St. Marys, Mo.	LWA	5 Feb 45
Sgt James H. Baker	36587695	Adrian, Mich.	LWA	24 Jan 45
Pfc Howard A. Snyder	36973578	Mason City, Ill.	LWA	23 Jan 45
<u>COMPANY F</u>				
Pvt Arthur S. Hatchard	12226155	New York, N. Y.	LWA	8 Feb 45
Pfc Anthony J. Ugolnik	36162621	Detroit, Mich.	LWA	21 Jan 45
Tec 5 Samuel J. Dudek	36715421	Chicago, Ill.	LWA	23 Jan 45
Pfc Joseph B. Fourez	36783589	Chicago, Ill.	LWA	-16 Nov 44
<u>COMPANY G</u>				
Pfc Raymond C. Arnold	35835681	Uhrichville, Ohio	LWA	8 Feb 45
S/Sgt William M. Bostick	20757896	Helena, Ark.	LWA	8 Feb 45
Pfc William C. Cook	34874956	Canton, Miss.	LWA	8 Feb 45

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<u>Company G, Cont'd</u>				
2nd Lt John C. Ebel	01328019	St. Louis, Mo.	LWA	8 Feb 45
Pfc Charles M. Ferrere	33709876	Butler, Pa.	LWA	8 Feb 45
1st Lt Edgar F. Hall	01314704	Indianapolis, Ind.	LWA	8 Feb 45
Sgt Michael Jofko	32601056	Passaic, N. J.	LWA	8 Feb 45
Pfc Arthur B. Murray	33890202	Salisebery, Mo.	LWA	8 Feb 45
S/Sgt John M. Olivas	20906267	Los Angeles, Calif.	LWA	8 Feb 45
Pfc William R. Pohlman	36973155	Chicago, Ill.	LWA	8 Feb 45
Tec 5 Abraham L. Schoor	12128928	New York, N. Y.	LWA	8 Feb 45
Pvt Robert Vega	32514396	New York, N. Y.	LWA	8 Feb 45
Pfc Gerald H. Wilks	16105925	Ann Arbor, Mich.	LWA	8 Feb 45
Pfc Jerome M. Lacy	33538399	Lynchburg, Va.	KIA	8 Feb 45
Pfc Parks L. Cockrell	34867280	Stony Point, N. C.	MIA -	8 Feb 45
Pfc Santi J. Flaminghi	32632509	Croton on Hudson, N. Y.	MIA -	8 Feb 45
S/Sgt Elmer N. Guck	37161043	Little Falls, Minn.	MIA -	8 Feb 45
Pvt Leonard J. O'Rourke	33890261	Baltimore, Md.	MIA -	8 Feb 45
Pfc Edward P. McQuarrie	31185166	Lowell, Mass.	MIA -	8 Feb 45
Pfc Fernando M. Palacios	39135148	San Francisco, Calif.	LWA	8 Feb 45
Pvt Raymond Friedlander	32902460	Bronx, New York, N. Y.	KIA	24 Nov 44
Pfc Robert A. Teschendorff	36819893	Milwaukee, Wis.	KIA	24 Nov 44
Pfc Robert A. Shepherd	18202189	Austin, Texas	LIA	12 Feb 45
T/Sgt Walter J. Parton	6927011	Knoxville, Tenn.	LIA	19 Feb 45
2nd Lt James N. Glenn	01328027	Clemson, S. C.	LWA	4 Feb 45
Pfc Wallace Fowler	38700558	Ada, Oklahoma	LIA	8 Feb 45
Pfc Borje E. Olsen	33889999	Hagerstown, Md.	LWA	8 Feb 45
Pfc James L. Wade	36955353	Peoria, Ill.	LWA	8 Feb 45
Pfc Harry B. Phelps, Jr.	33890204	Cambridge, Md.	LWA	8 Feb 45

Company H

Pfc Glenn O. Sharp	36699849	Chicago, Ill.	LWA	6 Feb 45
Pvt Grover F. Ballard	38571967	Ada, Okla.	LWA	20 Feb 45
Pfc Richard A. Roscoe	35298965	Toledo, Ohio	LWA	20 Feb 45
1st Lt Thomas F. Crusinberry	0545576	Brookings, S. Dak.	LIA	11 Feb 45

Hq Co., 3rd Bn.

Pfc Robert D. Hickman	20754885	Pierce City, Mo.	LWA	16 Feb 45
Pfc Thomas J. Fagan	37149088	Lusk, Wyo.	LWA	16 Feb 45
Pvt George Garvey, Jr.	34496207	Holivar, Tenn.	LWA	18 Feb 45
T/Sgt Stanley S. Alkonis	32294221	Rensselaer, N. Y.	LWA	24 Jan 45

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<u>Company I</u>				
Pvt Leo J. Banach	36287901	Mosinee, Wis.	DOW	30 Jan 45
Pfc Harry L. Smith	33463411	Wyoming, Pa.	LIA	31 Jan 45
Pfc Arthur C. Rahill	38593210	Oklahoma City, Okla.	LWA	4 Feb 45
2nd Lt Willard W. Hebert	01801299	Lake Charles, La.	LWA	24 Jan 45
<u>Company K</u>				
Tec 5 Thomas J. Megdanis	31256876	Lowell, Mass.	DOW	30 Jan 45
S/Sgt John H. Borgen	37542230	Minneapolis, Minn.	SWA	18 Feb 45
Pfc John H. May	35791905	Cincinnati, Ohio	LWA	24 Jan 45
T/Sgt Arlie W. Avery	36714784	Chicago, Ill.	LWA	6 Feb 45
Pfc Hayden J. Land	34592568	Camp Croft, S. C.	LWA	14 Feb 45
Pfc Daniel R. Street, Jr.	38402450	Pauls Valley, Okla.	LWA	18 Feb 45
Pfc Raymond P. Duvall	15043659	South Bend, Ind.	LIA	18 Feb 45
<u>Company L</u>				
S/Sgt Harold M. Hoover	33240028	Williamstown, Pa.	LWA	29 Jan 45
Pvt John F. Hill	36964590	Belleville, Ill.	DOI	28 Dec 44
Pfc Steve W. Zappa	36952605	Dwight, Ill.	MIA	26 Jan 45
2nd Lt John A. Rode	01313646	Green Belt, Md.	SWA	15 Feb 45
S/Sgt Gerald M. Allen	37446980	Corydon, Iowa	LWA	7 Feb 45
S/Sgt Jack D. Emmons	36546148	Detroit, Mich.	LWA	7 Feb 45
<u>Company M</u>				
Pfc Raymond V. McDowell	36548835	Plymouth, Mich.	LWA	9 Feb 45
S/Sgt Ray W. Gibson	16143779	Peru, Illinois	LWA	12 Feb 45
Pfc Doy A. Barnette	35847978	Webster Springs, W. Va.	LWA	16 Feb 45
Pfc Albert H. Reitsman	35531125	Cleveland, Ohio	LWA	19 Feb 45
Pfc Walter G. Kelaus	31428664	Haverhill, Mass.	LWA	15 Feb 45
Pfc Robert Armstrong	39468376	Splene, Wash.	LWA	15 Feb 45
Sgt Frederick L. Letourneau	36554758	River Rouge, Mich.	LWA	19 Feb 45
Pfc Jeane W. Burnham	36867526	Alma, Mich.	LWA	18 Feb 45
Pvt Robert W. Bluhm	42095296	Canandagna, N. Y.	LWA	18 Feb 45

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LWA	61
KIA	5
LIA	15
DOW	4
MIA	11
SWA	4
DOI	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	99

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AWARDS AND DECORATIONS
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AWARD OF SILVER STAR

<u>RANK AND NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ENTERED SV FR</u>	<u>DATE OF DEED</u>	<u>Hq 105d INF DIV</u>	
				<u>GO #</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Pvt Henry J Czajka	32932495	Buffalo, N. Y.	8 Feb 45	64	20 Feb 45

AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR

Capt Saint E Rickerson Jr	0385095	Griffin, Ga	29 Nov 44	57	10 Feb 45
Pvt Roscoe W Fry	37527353	Spickard, Mo	25 Jan 45	62	18 Feb 45

AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO SILVER STAR

T/Sgt Willard A Springborn	17156664	St Paul, Minn	8 Feb 45	64	20 Feb 45
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AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Pfc Ardell G Campbell,	33700535	Richmond, Va	2 Jan 45	53	6 Feb 45
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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Tec 5 Joel R Fleming	34496220	Hornsby, Tenn	20 Dec 44	49	1 Feb 45
Pfc Frederick W Barker	33504973	Pittsburgh, Pa	20 Dec 44	49	1 Feb 45
Tec 5 John C Ducky	32059586	Fairview, N. J.	19 Dec 44	49	1 Feb 45
Pfc Salvatore W Carnival (then Pvt)	38007434	Denver, Colo	20 Dec 44	51	4 Feb 45
Pfc Donald Herkowitz (then Pvt)	12013141	Albany, N. Y.	20 Dec 44	51	4 Feb 45
				as amended by	
				60	16 Feb 45
Pfc Michael Vanecko	36549021	Barton, Ohio	22 Dec 44	53	6 Feb 45
Pfc Charles F Newman	36538237	Saginaw, Mich	2-4 Dec 44	53	6 Feb 45
Cpl Edward Vetsch	37542266	Linton, N. D.	15 Dec 44	56	9 Feb 45
Cpl Maunsell W Brousseau Jr	34291330	Baton Rouge, La	18 Dec 44	56	9 Feb 45
Pfc Lewillyn C Ford	36410640	Flint, Mich	21 Dec 44	58	13 Feb 45
T/Sgt Stanley S Alkonis	32294221	Castleton, N. Y.	20 Jan 45	58	13 Feb 45
Pfc Robert R Jones	17083495	Washington, Kans	24 Jan 45	60	16 Feb 45
1st Lt Avel O Henneke	0547560	Drummond, Okla	8 Feb 45	61	17 Feb 45
Capt Roger H Craddock	01296327	Winnboro, Tex	8 Feb 45	61	17 Feb 45
S/Sgt Ludovic P Cogozzo	36714107	Chicago, Ill	8 Feb 45	61	17 Feb 45

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<u>RANK AND NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ENTERED SV FR</u>	<u>DATE OF DEED</u>	<u>HQ 1086 INF DT</u>	<u>GO #</u>	<u>DATE</u>
<u>AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Cont'd)</u>						
Pvt Earl E Sprague	31466854	Machias, Me	8 Feb 45	61	17	Feb 45
Pfc Carl A Anderson	39465231	Dayton, Wash	19 Dec 44	62	18	Feb 45
Pfc William J Freise	33940936	Turtle Creek, Pa	8 Feb 45	64	20	Feb 45
Sgt Eugene A McClurg	20910345	Laton, Calif	8 Feb 45	70	25	Feb 45
<u>AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL</u>						
1st Lt Ralph Lamb	01512948	Butte Falls, Ore	14 Dec 44	57	10	Feb 45
Sgt James B Earley	39288861	Holdenville, Okla	16 Nov 44	60	16	Feb 45
<u>AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL</u>						
1st Lt John H Kirby	01324423	St Paul, Minn	24 Jan 45	60	16	Feb 45
<u>AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL</u>						
Tec 4 Fred E Lacy	17175146	Overland Park, Kans	1 Dec 44	55	8	Feb 45

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OFFICERS' ROSTER
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<u>RANK AND NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ENTERED SERVICE FR</u>	<u>SD & TRANSFERS</u>
1st Lt William H Adair	01511590	Philadelphia, Pa	
1st Lt Allen R Arrison	01300118	Nebraska City, Neb	
1st Lt Robert P Atkinson	01306531	Joliet, Ill	
1st Lt Frank S Bailly	01307177	Portland, Ore	
Capt Joseph Bell	01300267	Pittsburg, Kans	
1st Lt Chester S Bergeron	01511475	Hoquiam, Wash	
1st Lt Frank G Berry	0446015	Stillwater, Okla	
1st Lt Eugene D Elandford	01519167	Port Arthur, Tex	
1st Lt Harold M Branton	0519668	Shongaloo, La	
2d Lt Raymond D Brecht	01052272	Dayton, Ohio	
Capt Seal T Brooks	01310055	Kennett Square, Pa	
2d Lt Robert C Canham	0549339	Highland Park, Mich	
1st Lt Robert J Campbell	01295990	Hibbing, Minn	
2d Lt Howard A Carlson	02005950	Maquoketa, Iowa	Jd 5 Feb 45
Capt Francis F Chapton	0532982	Burbank, Calif	
1st Lt Lawson A Cheatham	01315786	Coral Gables, Fla	
2d Lt William E Claypool	0537759	Springfield, Ill	36th Gen Hosp to Co 1
2d Lt Glen G Clefisch	0545575	Spencer, S. D.	
Capt Richard W Clifford	01296322	Pine Plains, N. Y.	
1st Lt Thomas W Cole	01316385	South Gate, Calif	
WOJG Joseph E Conkling	W2113480	Louisville, Ky	
Capt Roger H Craddock	01296327	Winnboro, Tex	
1st Lt John W Crossen	0547274	Athens, Ohio	
1st Lt Thomas F Crusinberry	0545576	Brookings, S. D.	
Capt William V Cummings	0551805	Garrett Park, Md	
1st Lt Robert M Currey	0546837	Aimont, Mich	
2d Lt Alva L Curry	02000732	Ft Worth, Tex	
1st Lt Levin S Dashiell Jr	01298361	Hebron, Md	
2d Lt Louis Dattle	01057718	Houston, Tex	
Capt Leon J Davis	0546034	West Tulsa, Okla	
Capt Paul A Davis	0500951	Meriden, Kans	
2d Lt George E Dickerson	01310078	Louisville, Ky	
1st Lt Stanley B Dickson	0546839	Howell, Mich	
2d Lt Louis H Dietz	01328130	California, Pa	
1st Lt Owen A Dupont	01300145	Rounoke, La	
2d Lt James H Edwards	02000739	Grand Prairie, Tex	
1st Lt Richard A Edwards	0545962	Roachdale, Ind	
2d Lt Joseph D Elam	01328132	Spartanburg, S. C.	
2d Lt Ronald C Enslin	01324920	Scranton, Pa	
2d Lt Leland F Erbacher	01316394	Mill Valley, Calif	

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2d Lt John G Erts	02000753	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	
2d Lt Lynn J Fischer	01328155	Pelham, N. Y.	Hq Co 2d To Co F
1st Lt Kelly V Fite Jr	01326141	Hamilton, Ala	
1st Lt Arthur M Flynn	0546830	Atlanta, Ga	
2d Lt Charles H Flynn Jr	0546861	Atlanta, Ga	
2d Lt Norman W Fort Jr	01528158	Matawan, N. J.	
1st Lt Raymond H Furbee	01325154	Akron, Ohio	
1st Lt Floyd M Fuss	01296845	Pawnee, Okla	
2d Lt Herman C Gann	0547995	Oxford, Miss	
2d Lt Armando J Garville	01054580	New York, N. Y.	Co D to Co C
Capt Handle B Gatlin	01296015	Largo, Fla	
1st Lt Leland C Gear	01311586	Trenton, Mo	
2d Lt John D Geoghegan	02000698	Baraboo, Wisc	
Capt Fred J Gerken	01510240	West New York, N. J.	
2d Lt Charles F Gilbert	01061701	Freeport, N. Y.	DS VI Corps to Co I
Capt Martin P Gilligan	01296017	Philadelphia, Pa	
2d Lt James N Glenn	01328027	Clemson, S. C.	
1st Lt John T Golden	01288889	Sparta, Tenn	
Capt Robert V Grady	01296685	New York, N. Y.	
2d Lt George F Gregg	01059795	Philadelphia, Pa	
1st Lt John F Griggs	01514905	Chesterfield, S. C.	
1st Lt Edward S Halsey	0548216	Rock Springs, Wyo	
Capt Woodrow W Ham	01296887	Fremont, N. C.	
Capt Byron N Harrison	01745292	Chandler, Ind	
2d Lt Charles D Haughey Jr	0550408	Brooklyn, N. Y.	
1st Lt Edward C Haynes	01296370	Churchville, Pa	
2d Lt Willard W Hebert	01301299	Lake Charles, La	
1st Lt Avel O Henneke	0547560	Drummond, Okla	
Maj Louis K Hennighausen Jr	0394572	Baltimore, Md	
1st Lt Charles W Henson Jr	0546864	Monroe, Ga	
Capt Raymond E Hicks	01293031	Senoia, Ga	
1st Lt George F Hoaglin	01506820	Scott, Ohio	
1st Lt James E Holbrook Jr	0547155	Berkeley, Calif	
2d Lt William T Hollis	02000695	Lapeer, Mich	
1st Lt George G Holz Jr	0550409	Mt Vernon, N. Y.	TD G-3 103d Inf Div
2d Lt Walter L Hurst	01058848	Houston, Tex	DS VI Corps to Co A
1st Lt Alexander H B Jeffords Jr	01296379	Narberth, Pa	
1st Lt Richard P Jennings	01320045	New Castle, Ind	
Capt Alvis H Jinks	01286655	Anniston, Ala	
1st Lt Neil H Johnson	01500175	Otis, La	
2d Lt Norman W Johnson	01061751	East Boston, Mass	
1st Lt Felix Y Kazemba	02048559	Clear Lake, Wisc	
1st Lt Kenneth A Keith	0525015	Omaha, Neb	
1st Lt John C Kelly	01310261	Philadelphia, Pa	
2d Lt Charles G Kepler	0548219	Cheyenne, Wyo	

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1st Lt John H Kiriy	01324423	St Paul, Minn	
1st Lt Henry J Klatt	01299902	Clarence, Iowa	
2d Lt Arthur A Klekner	01325997	Newton Falls, Ohio	95th Gen Hosp to Co I
2d Lt Robert E Kruger	01326190	Everett, Wash	36th Gen Hosp to Co I
CWO Stephen C Kuzo	W2108667	Hazleton, Pa	
Capt Edgar J Lambert	0506516	West Palm Beach, Fla	
Capt Adrian Z Leon	0549561	New York, N. Y.	
Col Claudius L Lloyd	05796	Baltimore, Md	
1st Lt John S Lyon	01317095	Needham, Mass	
1st Lt Guido V Magaro	01320144	Harrisburg, Pa	
Capt Harold G Malone	0589483	Grayson, Ky	Hq 1st Bn to Co M
1st Lt William H D Maxedon	0449411	Lexington, Ky	
Capt Marshall G McBee	01284177	Cheyenne, Wyo	
1st Lt Robert McFadden	0350919	Santa Ana, Calif	Co H to Co E
1st Lt Miles E McPhillips	01287757	Longmont, Colo	SD MP Det 105d Div
Capt John T Melko	01284363	Fresno, Calif	
2d Lt Joseph J Milhoan Jr	01062255	Paris, Ark	
Maj Lester R Moffatt	0257235	Malvern, Pa	
1st Lt Samuel S Monk Jr	0521827	McRae, Ga	
Capt William C Moore	01296066	Pittsburgh, Pa	
WOJG Pete Motes	W2108656	San Antonio, Tex	
1st Lt Robert S Mott	01062257	Oakland, Calif	
1st Lt J C Nichols	01317813	Dallas, Texas	
2d Lt Robert I Nolan	01062033	Brooklyn, N. Y.	
2d Lt Francis J O'Hara	01058547	Brooklyn, N. Y.	
1st Lt John J O'Hara	01296411	New York, N. Y.	
Capt Richard Pasternak	0484431	Ardsley, N. Y.	
2d Lt Victor A Pedersen	01061511	Minneapolis, Minn	
1st Lt Walter A Penfield	01294558	Maywood, N. J.	
2d Lt William A Peters	01826393	Crane, Mo	
2d Lt John S Peurach	01527655	Detroit, Mich	
WOJG Robert L Polk	W2129515	Arlington, Tex	
Maj Charles E Porteous	01299942	Birmingham, Mich	
Capt Albert J Potter	0327656	Raleigh, N. C.	
1st Lt Samuel Publicker	01300530	Philadelphia, Pa	21st Gen Hosp to Co H
Capt Robert H Putney Jr	0513285	Elm City, N. C.	
2d Lt Keith H Rees	0541541	Coalville, Utah	
1st Lt Ethan Reeve	01298929	Burlington, N. J.	
Lt Col Burkitt A Reynolds	0315591	Los Angeles, Calif	
2d Lt John C Rilly	02000734	Detroit, Mich	
Maj Theodore V Ross	0536499	Ely, Nevada	
Capt Earl A Roth	0508028	Akron, Ohio	SD Awards & Decorations
Capt Stanley H Sahn	0552849	Brooklyn, N. Y.	
1st Lt James C Sallaz	01300395	Nutwood, Ohio	
2d Lt Olaf K Sather	01826395	Bozeman, Mont	



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2d Lt James B Saum	0545158	Riverdale, Md	
2d Lt Kenneth F Schilaty	0548192	Monroe, Wash	
1st Lt Stanley J Schlossberg	01322958	Brooklyn, N. Y.	
1st Lt John D Schramm	0441908	Arkansas City, Ark	
1st Lt Ralph D Scoppa	01052159	Brooklyn, N. Y.	
2d Lt Howard I Scott	02005991	Pittsburgh, Pa	Jd 3 Feb 45
1st Lt Thomas J Serafin	01503594	Hudson, Pa	
Lt Col Alvin Snyder	0322990	New York, N. Y.	SD Awd & Dec Bd 105d 1
Capt Thomas B Spickard	01510519	Roanoke, Va	
1st Lt Frank R Stanik	01514197	Cleveland, Ohio	
Capt John D Stevenson	01296456	Lynbrook, N. Y.	
Lt Col Hubert E Strange	021231	Loogootee, Ind	
2d Lt Nathan Tarkoff	01081538	Fairview Village, Pa	
Capt Bernard Teitelbaum	01296449	Chicago, Ill	
Capt Joseph L Terranova	0474841	Rockford, Ill	
Lt Col Teal Therrell	0354032	Bennettsville, S. C.	
1st Lt Howell B Thompson	01296115	Thomaston, Ga	
2d Lt Joseph L Turecek	02000747	Milwaukee, Wisc	
2d Lt James H Turner	01825842	Knoxville, Tenn	
Maj Julius J Urban	01296119	New York, N. Y.	
1st Lt Vincent J Valentino	01323077	New Orleans, La	
2d Lt Claude A Van Hook Jr	01062749	Sea Isle City, N. J.	
Capt William E Van Woeart	01296771	Bayonne, N. J.	
2d Lt Andrew G Wahlquist	0541177	Tridell, Utah	
Capt Dennis B Walton	01503234	Ft Worth, Tex	
1st Lt Arthur A Weeks	01296129	Birmingham, Ala	SD G-5 Sec 103d Div
1st Lt Edgar J D Westervelt	0538230	Lincoln, Neb	
1st Lt James T Whitaker	0518914	Fisherville, Ky	
Capt J D White	01296150	Dallas, Tex	
Capt Patrick D White	0448046	Nelsonville, Ohio	
Capt Thomas P White	0461531	Cordesville, S. C.	
2d Lt Donald G Wier	01296459	Story City, Iowa	
WOJG Walter C Wilcox	W2125916	Cherokee, Okla	
2d Lt Glenn C Wilson	01059981	Orlando, Fla	
Capt James D Wimberly	01296135	Gulfport, Miss	
Capt Ira A Witham Jr	01296780	West Grove, Pa	
Maj Samuel B Yow	0353573	Athens, Ga	
Capt Gerald R Zeek	01296142	Boonton, N. J.	
1st Lt Runa S White	01289351	Maryville, Tenn	180th Gen Hosp to Co K

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