

COMPANY HISTORY
OF
THE 803D ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY

November 1942 - March 1944

1. Original Unit.

- a. Designation: 803d Ordnance Light Maintenance Company.
- b. Date of Activation: 15 November 1942.
- c. Place of Activation: Camp Claiborne, Louisiana.
- d. Authority for Activation: General Order number 73, Headquarters 8th Service Command dated 8 September 1942 and paragraph 1, General Order number 1, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, Camp Claiborne, Louisiana, 15 November 1942, under Table of Organization number 9-8, War Department, Washington dated 1 September 1942.
- e. Source from which personnel was obtained: Cadre of officers and enlisted men from the 85th Infantry Division, Camp Shelby, Mississippi; The Ordnance School, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland; and the Normoyle Motor Base, San Antonio, Texas. Filler replacements from the Fourth, Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Service Commands.

2. Changes in Organization.

- a. 803d Ordnance Light Maintenance Company reorganized under Table of Organization number 9-8, War Department, Washington, dated 15 July 1943, per letter, Headquarters Third Army, dated 7 August 1943, file AG 320.2-GNMCC-5, subject: "Reorganization of Infantry Divisions", and paragraph 3, General Order number 10, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, dated 7 August 1943 on 080001 August 1943.

3. Strength.

- a. As of 15 November 1942:

(1) Officers - 7

(2) Enlisted - 134

- b. Increase, decrease and total strength each month.

		<u>Officers</u>		<u>WO</u>		<u>EM</u>
15 Nov 42		7		0		134
	Gain	3		0		0
	Loss	1	7	0	0	1
30 Nov 42		<u>9</u>		<u>0</u>		<u>133</u>

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	<u>Officers</u>		<u>WO</u>		<u>EM</u>
30 Nov 42		<u>9</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>133</u>
	Gain 2		0		34
	Loss 0	2	0	<u>0</u>	0
31 Dec 42		<u>11</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>167</u>
	Gain 0		0		37
	Loss 0	0	0	<u>0</u>	10
31 Jan 43		<u>11</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>194</u>
	Gain 0		0		28
	Loss 1	-1	0	<u>0</u>	13
28 Feb 43		<u>10</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>209</u>
	Gain 1		0		5
	Loss 0	1	0	<u>0</u>	43
31 Mar 43		<u>11</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>171</u>
	Gain 2		0		1
	Loss 2	0	0	<u>0</u>	11
30 Apr 43		<u>11</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>161</u>
	Gain 0		0		1
	Loss 0	0	0	<u>0</u>	0
31 May 43		<u>11</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>162</u>
	Gain 0		0		1
	Loss 0	0	0	<u>0</u>	7
30 Jun 43		<u>11</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>156</u>
	Gain 2		0		3
	Loss 0	2	0	<u>0</u>	2
31 Jul 43		<u>13</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>157</u>
	Gain 0		0		0
	Loss 1	-1	0	<u>0</u>	12
31 Aug 43		<u>12</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>145</u>
	Gain 2		0		1
	Loss 2	0	0	<u>0</u>	5
30 Sep 43		<u>12</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>141</u>
	Gain 0		0		13
	Loss 1	-1	0	<u>0</u>	4
31 Oct 43		<u>11</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>150</u>
	Gain 1		0		3
	Loss 1	0	0	<u>0</u>	4
30 Nov 43		<u>11</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>149</u>
	Gain 0		0		0
	Loss 2	-2	0	<u>0</u>	3
31 Dec 43		<u>9</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>146</u>

4. Stations.

a. Date of Arrival.

- (1) Activated at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana, 15 November 1942, authority as per paragraph 4d, above.
- (2) Arrived in the Louisiana Maneuver Area on 17 September 1943 for temporary change of station. Authority: Headquarters Army Ground Force letter 354.2/18, (43) (R) (24 Jun 43) GNGCT, Louisiana Maneuvers. Substantiated by telegram from Commanding General, Third Army, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, 17 September 1943.
- (3) Arrived Camp Howze, Texas, 20 November 1943, for permanent change of station. Authority: Headquarters Army Ground Force, file 370.5/84 (Inf) (R) (25 October 1943) GNGCT, subject; "Transfer of 86th Infantry and 103d Infantry Divisions," dated 25 October 1943, and 1st Indorsement, Headquarters Third Army, file AG 370.5, Gen (GNMCG) (25 October 1943).

b. Dates of Departure.

- (1) Departed from Camp Claiborne, Louisiana, 17 September 1943. Authority: Warning Orders, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, Camp Claiborne, Louisiana, 14 September 1943.
- (2) Departed from Louisiana Maneuver Area (Merryville, Louisiana) 19 November 1943. Authority: Same as 4a(3), above.

5. March (Motor).

- a. Purpose: To effect movement from Louisiana Maneuver Area (Merryville, Louisiana) to Camp Howze, Texas, a permanent change of station.
- b. Length of daily march: 19 November 1943, 175 miles, Merryville, Louisiana, to Camp Fannin, Texas; 20 November 1943, 170 miles, Camp Fannin, Texas, to Camp Howze, Texas.
- c. Departed Merryville, Louisiana, 0700, 19 November 1943, and proceeded via US Highway 190 across Sabine River into Texas; thence, via US 190, to Jasper, Texas; thence, via Texas Highway 63, to Zavalla, Texas; thence, on US Highway 69, via Lufkin, Alto, Rusk, Jacksonville and Tyler, Texas, to Camp Fannin, Texas, for night bivouac. Departed Camp Fannin, Texas, 0900, 20 November 1943, on US Highway 69, via Mineola and Greenville, to Bells, Texas; thence, on US Highway 82, via Sherman and Whitesboro, to Gainesville, Texas; thence, via US Highway 77, to Camp Howze, Texas, arriving 1800, 20 November 1943.

- d. The majority of distance from Merryville, Louisiana to Camp Howe, Texas was traveled on hard surface roads and the weather was hot and dry.
6. Campaigns: None.
7. Battles: None.
8. Commanding officers in important engagements: None.
9. Losses in action: None.
10. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None.

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HEADQUARTERS 103D INFANTRY DIVISION

APO 470, U.S. ARMY

OPERATIONS IN FRANCE

NOVEMBER 1944

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HEADQUARTERS
803D ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY
103D INFANTRY DIVISION

APO 470, U. S. ARMY
5 December 1944

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal.

TO : Commanding General, 103d Infantry Division, APO 470, United States Army.

1. Transmitted herewith is the Company History of the 803d Ordnance Light Maintenance Company from 9 November 1944 to 1 December 1944.

CHARLES N. REED
Capt, Ord Dept,
Commanding

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COMPANY HISTORY
803D ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY

NARRATIVE

1. ARRIVAL:

At 2000 on the 9th of November 1944, the Company entered combat upon arriving at Bruyeres, France (24.8 - 56.3 Nord De Guerre) via motor vehicle per Movement Order number 3, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, APO 470, U. S. Army, dated 1 November 1944.

2. PURPOSE:

At Bruyeres the Company was housed and set up for operation in an old French Garrison, to Supply Maintain, and Evacuate Ordnance Materiel for the Division.

3. MOVEMENT NUMBER 1:

Departed Bruyeres, France, via motor vehicle at 0800 on the 24 November 1944 and arrived at Neuvillers, France (48.5 - 64.3 Nord De Guerre) 1500 the same day in order to more closely support the Division.

CHARLES N. REED
Capt, Ord Dept,
Commanding

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No Battle Casualties.

5. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

None.

6. OFFICERS ROSTER:

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>PLACE OF ENTRY INTO MILITARY SERVICE</u>
Lt. Col.	Wegener, Dick	0366663	Oklahoma City
Captain	Fortune, Philip R.	01550591	Syracuse, New York
Captain	Reed, Charles N.	01305989	San Antonio, Texas
Captain	Travers, Robert R.	01549396	Camp Upton, New York
1st Lt.	Brown, Elwood C.	01549230	Fort Crook, Nebraska
1st Lt.	Carrington, William G.	01310220	Fort Dix, New Jersey
1st Lt.	Imboden, John S.	01316421	Jefferson Barracks, Missouri
2nd Lt.	Bilecke, John C.	01555511	Fort Custer, Michigan
2nd Lt.	Holle, Frank C.	01082966	Fort Dix, New Jersey
WO (jg)	Naccarato, Gabriel	W2129400	Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

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HEADQUARTERS 103D INFANTRY DIVISION

APO 470, U.S. ARMY

OPERATIONS IN FRANCE AND GERMANY

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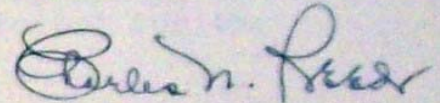
HEADQUARTERS
803D ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY
103D INFANTRY DIVISION

APO 470, U.S. Army
3 January 1944

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal.

TO : Commanding General, 103d Infantry Division, APO 470,
United States Army.

1. Transmitted herewith is the Company History of the 803d Ordnance Light Maintenance Company from 1 December 1944 to 1 January 1945.



CHARLES N. REED
Capt, Ord Dept,
Commanding

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COMPANY HISTORY
803D ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY

NARRATIVE

1. LOCATION:

Company was located at Neuwillers, France (48.5 - 64.3 Nord De Guerre) on 1 December 1944.

2. PURPOSE:

The Company was housed and set up for operation to Supply, Maintain, and Evacuate Ordnance Material for the Division.

3. MOVEMENT NUMBER 2:

Departed Neuwillers, France (48.5 - 64.3 Nord De Guerre) at 0900 on the 3 December 1944, via motor vehicle and arrived in Barr, France (V2 7878 NDG) 1200 the same day in order to more closely support the Division.

4. MOVEMENT NUMBER 3:

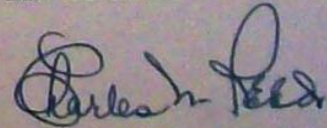
Departed Barr, France (V2 7878 NDG) at 0900 on the 11 December 1944, via motor vehicle and arrived in Pfaffenhofen, France (909273) 1200 the same day in order to more closely support the Division.

5. MOVEMENT NUMBER 4:

Departed Pfaffenhofen, France (909273) at 0900 on the 15 December 1944, via motor vehicle and arrived in Merkwiller, France (VRO - 5737 NDG) 1030 the same day.

6. MOVEMENT NUMBER 5:

Departed Merkwiller, France (VRO - 5737 NDG) at 1600 on 22 December 1944, via motor vehicle and arrived in Morhange, France (ZR 215 376 NDG) 2200 the same day in order to more closely support the Division.



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Capt, Ord Dept,
Commanding

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No Battle Casualties.

8. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Lt. Col. Dick Wegener, O-366663, was awarded the Bronze Star Medal on 26 December 1944, for meritorious achievement in connection with Military Operations against the enemy from 16 November 1944 to 26 December 1944, per General Orders #82 Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, dated 26 December 1944.

Company received Letter of Commendation dated 24 December 1944, Subject "Commendation" To Captain Charles N. Reed, Commanding Officer, 803d Ordnance Company. Letter of Commendation was written by C. C. Haffner, Jr. Major General, United States Army. Copy of letter is attached.

9. OFFICERS ROSTER:

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>PLACE OF ENTRY INTO MILITARY SERVICE</u>
Lt. Col.	Wegener, Dick	0366663	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Captain	Fortune, Philip R.	01550591	Syracuse, New York
Captain	Reed, Charles N.	01305989	San Antonio, Texas
Captain	Travers, Robert R.	01549396	Camp Upton, New York
1st Lt.	Brown, Elwood C.	01549230	Fort Crook, Nebraska
1st Lt.	Carrington, William	01310220	Fort Dix, New Jersey
1st Lt.	Imboden, John S.	01316421	Jefferson Barracks, Mo.
1st Lt.	Murphy, Robert J.	01574106	Fort Thomas, Kentucky
2nd Lt.	Bilecke, John C.	01555511	Fort Custer, Michigan
2nd Lt.	Holle, Frank C.	01082966	Fort Dix, New Jersey
WO (Jg)	Naccarato, Gabriel	W2129400	Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

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103d INFANTRY DIVISION

Office of the
Commanding General

24 December 1944

SUBJECT: Commendation

TO : Captain Charles N. Reed, Commanding Officer, 803d
Ordnance Company.

1. It is a pleasure to send to you and all members of the 803d Ordnance Company, along with the season's greetings, my commendation for the efficient, rapid and uninterrupted support the 803d Ordnance Company rendered the Division during its rapid attack through the VOSGES MOUNTAINS and its subsequent attack North across the German border.
2. It is particularly pleasing to comment favorably on the rapid return to service of weapons and vehicles, and the efficiency of your work under difficult circumstances.
3. The Ordnance Company of the Division has made a large contribution to the success of the Division and I am looking forward with confidence to a continuation of your splendid performance to date.
4. Inspecting officers from Corps, Army and SHAEF have all commented on the high degree of military courtesy and the proper wearing of the uniform by members of this Division. There is no doubt that the alertness and the soldierly quality which this evidences has been a material factor in our success to date. It is my desire that you give the maintenance of these high standards your unremitting attention.

s / C. C. HAFFNER, JR
C. C. HAFFNER, JR
Major General, United States Army
Commanding

A TRUE COPY:

Charles N. Reed
CHARLES N. REED
Capt, Ord Dept.
Commanding.

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HEADQUARTERS 103D INFANTRY DIVISION

APO 470, U. S. ARMY

OPERATIONS IN FRANCE

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HEADQUARTERS
803D ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY
103D INFANTRY DIVISION

APO 470, U.S. Army
1 February 1945

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal.

TO : Commanding General, 103d Infantry Division, APO 470,
United States Army.

Transmitted herewith is the Company History of the 803d Ordnance Light Maintenance Company from 1 January 1945 to 1 February 1945.

Charles N. Reed
CHARLES N. REED,
Capt., Ord. Dept.,
Commanding.

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COMPANY HISTORY
803D ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY

NARRATIVE

1. LOCATION:

Company was located at Morhange, France (ZQ 215376 NdG) on 1 January 1945.

2. PURPOSE:

The Company was housed and set up for operation to Supply, Maintain, and Evacuate Ordnance Material for the Division.

3. MOVEMENT NUMBER 6:

Departed Morange, France, 0800, 16 January 1945 via motor and arrived in NeuBourg, France (WQ 9627 NdG), 1500 the same day in order to more closely support the Division. Distance traveled about 70 miles.

4. MOVEMENT NUMBER 7:

Departed NeuBourg, France (WQ 9627 NdG), 1630, 20 January 1945 via motor and arrived Vieux-LixHeim, France (WQ 5519 NdG), 2400 the same day in order to more closely support the Division. Distance traveled about 35 miles.

5. MOVEMENT NUMBER 8:

Departed Vieux-LixHeim, France (WQ 5519 NdG), 1200, 25 January 1945 via motor and arrived in Saverne, France (WQ 7116 NdG), 1330 the same day in order to more closely support the Division. Distance traveled about 12 miles.

6. CASUALTIES:

T/Sgt. William P. Griffin, 35128611 slightly injured in action in France, 23 January 1945. Diagnosis: Sprain sacro-iliac reg-S.

7. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Technician Third Grade Joseph E. Vitt, 37181835, Ordnance Department, 803d Ordnance Company, was awarded the Purple Heart for injuries received in France, 13 December 1944, per General Order Number 18, Headquarters, 103d Infantry Division, dated 8 January 1945. (Copy of General Order No. 18 extracted attached). Entered into Military Service at Salisbury, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade Roland W. Langlais, 31076957, Ordnance Department, 803d Ordnance Company, was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroism in action. (Copy of General Order attached).

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S E C R E T7. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS (Cont'd):

Technician Fifth Grade Benjamin A. Terry, 34303029, Ordnance Department, 803d Ordnance Company, was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroism in action. (Copy of General Order attached).

8. OFFICERS ROSTER:

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>PLACE OF ENTRY INTO MILITARY SERVICE</u>
Lt. Col.	Wegener, Dick	0366663	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Major	Fortune, Philip R.	01550591	Syracuse, New York
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1st Lt.	Murphy, Robert J.	01574106	Fort Thomas, Kentucky
2nd Lt.	Bilecke, John C.	01555511	Fort Custer, Michigan
2nd Lt.	Galuszka, Andrew J.	01548795	Springfield, Mass.
2nd Lt.	Holle, Frank C.	01082966	Fort Dix, New Jersey
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HEADQUARTERS 103d INFANTRY DIVISION
Office of the Commanding General

APO 470, U.S. Army
8 January 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER - 18)

E X T R A C T

1 -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named individuals for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

Technician Third Grade Joseph E. Vitt, 37181835, Ordnance Department, 803d Ordnance Company, France, 13 December 1944. Residence: Salisbury, Missouri.

By Command of Brigadier General PIERCE:

G. S. MELOY, JR.,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

s/ William C. Dorn,
t/ WILLIAM C. DORN,
Captain, A.G.D.,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

A TRUE EXTRACT:

Charles N. Reed
CHARLES N. REED,
Capt., Ord. Dept.

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Office of the Commanding GeneralAPO 470, U. S. Army
9 January 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER - 20)

AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. I
AWARD OF AIR MEDAL II

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 following named individuals:

Technician Fifth Grade Roland W. Langlais, 31076957, Ordnance Department, 803d Ordnance Company. For heroism in action. On 24 November 1944 in the vicinity of * * *, France, a Task Force made up of units of the 103d Infantry Division was halted when an armored car, the point vehicle of the column, struck a land mine. The armored car was disabled and blocked the road. Technician Langlais and his assistant driver drove a 4-ton wrecker to the front of the column, turned the wrecker, hooked on to and removed the armored car, all while exposed to constant and heavy small arms and mortar fire. This courageous act performed under extremely difficult conditions of terrain cleared the way for the Task Force to continue its mission. Residence: Lawrence, Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade Benjamin A. Terry, 34303029, Ordnance Department, 803d Ordnance Company. For heroism in action. On 24 November 1944 in the vicinity of * * *, France, a Task Force made up of units of the 103d Infantry Division was halted when an armored car, the point vehicle of the column, struck a land mine. The armored car was disabled and blocked the road. Technician Terry, acting as assistant driver, proceeded to the front of the column with a 4-ton wrecker, turned the wrecker, hooked on to and removed the armored car, all while exposed to constant and heavy small arms and mortar fire. This courageous act performed under extremely difficult conditions of terrain cleared the way for the Task Force to continue its mission. Residence: Raleigh, North Carolina.

Private First Class Francis L. Joho, 36715351, (then Private), Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 103d Infantry Division. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of * * *, France, elements of the 103d Infantry Division were forcing a crossing of the * * * River. It was tactically imperative that a bridge approach be kept clear and that traffic be kept moving. Private Joho, having been assigned this task, despite a concentration of enemy artillery and mortar fire on this key point, bravely and coolly remained at his post throughout the day and efficiently discharged his mission. A soldier standing but a few yards away from his position was killed by enemy fire, but this failed to unnerve

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I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Cont'd)

Private Joho or interrupt his skillful control of the situation. His coolness and good judgment while under heavy fire materially contributed to the success of the combat mission. Residence: Joliet, Illinois.

Corporal Eugene S. Knox, 36643119, (then Private First Class), Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 103d Infantry Division. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of * * *, France, elements of the 103d Infantry Division were forcing a crossing of the * * * River. It was tactically imperative that a bridge approach be kept clear and that traffic be kept moving. Corporal Knox, having been assigned to this task, despite a concentration of enemy artillery and mortar fire on this key point, bravely and coolly remained at his post throughout the day and efficiently discharged his mission. A soldier standing but a few yards away from his position was killed by enemy fire, but this failed to unnerve Corporal Knox or interrupt his skillful control of the situation. His coolness and good judgment while under heavy fire materially contributed to the success of the combat mission. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Sergeant Randolph L. Strickland, 34209792, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 928th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of * * *, Germany, enemy forces fired a devastating concentration of rockets in the Battery "B" area. The rockets injured four men of a gun crew and set fire to a building with a truck inside containing gasoline and small arms ammunition. Sergeant Strickland quickly secured a fire hose from the local fire-fighting equipment and sprayed water on the flaming truck. The wind-swept flames quickly spread to a nearby building which sheltered 60 rounds of 105 millimeter ammunition. Realizing the disastrous results if the shells should explode, he courageously dragged the hose to within 10 yards of the explosives and directed a stream of water on the heated ammunition, causing a cloud of hot steam to rise from the cased shells. Despite the exploding small arms ammunition across the street and the danger from a burning powder dump which had also ignited from the sweeping flames, he remained in his dangerous position for two hours until the flames were extinguished. Sergeant Strickland's magnificent valor and utter disregard for his life, materially assisted in saving the urgently needed ammunition and assured the lives of his comrades. Residence: St. Petersburg, Florida.

MAJOR SAMUEL B. YOW, O353573, Infantry, Headquarters, Third Battalion, 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. During our advance in the vicinity of * * *, France, 13 December 1944, two platoons of 57 millimeter anti-tank guns, one platoon of tanks and one platoon of tank destroyers were supporting the Third Battalion, 409th Infantry Regiment. It was necessary for the supporting units to enter * * * over a temporary bridge and on a road mined and blocked at numerous points, conditions which made it difficult for our support to stay within effective operating distance of our troops. MAJOR YOW, Battalion Executive Officer, rode on the front of a one-quarter ton truck, probed for mines, cleared traffic over the bridge and along the road beyond, and then led the supporting units into the town. When the battalion established another bridgehead across the stream, MAJOR YOW reconnoitered and found a crossing which, with repairs, would enable supporting

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I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Cont'd)

units to cross. After he had supervised the necessary repairs and directed traffic across, enemy artillery opened fire on the area. With complete disregard for his life, MAJOR YOV directed and dispersed traffic through the barrage and after all vehicles had cleared the area, drove an abandoned vehicle to safety. As a result of MAJOR YOV'S aggressive initiative and leadership, the battalion was able to secure a bridgehead and the regiment was able to continue the advance on the following day. Residence: Athens, Georgia.

Private First Class Aaron L. Cooper, 34581366, (then Private), Field Artillery, Battery "B", 928th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of * * *, Germany, enemy forces fired a devastating concentration of rockets in the Battery "B" area. The rockets set fire to a building with a truck inside containing gasoline and small arms ammunition. Realizing his nearby howitzer was endangered, Private Cooper courageously assisted in march-ordering the piece, despite the new threat from a burning building sheltering 105 millimeter ammunition and a burning powder dump which had ignited from the wind-swept flames. Private Cooper's valorous action and utter disregard for his life materially assisted in saving the howitzer from destruction. Residence: Haleyville, Alabama.

Sergeant Dominic Venturato, 36414695, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 928th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of * * *, Germany, enemy forces fired a devastating concentration of rockets in the Battery "B" area. The rockets injured four men of a gun crew and set fire to a building with a truck inside containing gasoline and small arms ammunition. Sergeant Venturato quickly secured a fire hose from the local fire-fighting equipment and sprayed water on the flaming truck. The wind-swept flames quickly spread to a nearby building which sheltered 60 rounds of 105 millimeter ammunition. Realizing the flames near the ammunition dump were even more serious, he courageously dragged the hose to within a few feet of the ammunition and directed a stream of water on the flaming building while his comrades carried the explosives to safety. Despite the exploding small arms ammunition and the danger from the heated 105 millimeter ammunition, he remained at his position fighting the flames for two hours until the flames were extinguished. Sergeant Venturato's magnificent valor and utter disregard for his life, materially assisted in saving the urgently needed ammunition and assured the lives of his comrades. Residence: Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade Mike J. Mrozovich, 36411967, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 928th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of * * *, Germany, enemy forces fired a devastating concentration of rockets in the Battery "B" area. The rockets set fire to a building with a truck inside, containing gasoline and small arms ammunition. Technician Mrozovich, realizing a nearby howitzer was endangered, dashed to ask for the aid of a truck to remove the piece to safety. Despite the new threat from a burning powder dump and a flaming building sheltering 105 millimeter ammunition, he returned to assist in march-ordering the piece. Technician Mrozovich's valorous action and utter

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disregard for his life, materially assisted in saving the howitzer from destruction. Residence: Battle Creek, Michigan.

Sergeant Weldon D. Osborne, 20513767, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 928th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of * * *, Germany, enemy forces fired a devastating concentration of rockets in the Battery "B" area. The rockets injured four men of a gun crew and set fire to a building and to a truck inside containing small arms ammunition and gasoline. Sergeant Osborne courageously unloaded the gasoline from the truck amid the hail of exploding ammunition. The wind-swept flames spread to a building sheltering 105 millimeter ammunition and to a powder dump which endangered a nearby howitzer. He assisted in the movement of the piece and then dashed to the 105 millimeter ammunition dump and removed a burning tarpaulin and packing cases from the heated ammunition. Sergeant Osborne's magnificent valor and utter disregard for his life, materially assisted in saving the urgently needed ammunition and assured the lives of his comrades. Residence: Zanesville, Ohio.

Private Rufus L. Yossett, 38337325, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 928th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of * * *, Germany, enemy forces fired a devastating concentration of rockets in the Battery "B" area. The rockets set fire to a building with a truck inside containing gasoline and small arms ammunition and injured four men of a gun crew. Realizing the danger to the nearby howitzer, Private Yossett assisted in march-ordering the piece. He courageously towed the howitzer to safety with his truck, despite the new threat from a burning powder dump, exploding small arms ammunition, and a flaming building sheltering 105 millimeter ammunition. Private Yossett's magnificent valor and utter disregard for his life materially assisted in saving the artillery piece from destruction. Residence: Monroe, Louisiana.

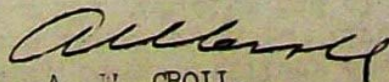
II -- AWARD OF AIR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded to the following named individual for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

CAPTAIN EUGENE E. JOHNSON, 01174604, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 103d Division Artillery, from 18 November 1944 to 30 December 1944, in Eastern France and Germany. Residence: Crawfordsville, Indiana.

By command of Brigadier General PIERCE:

G. S. MELOY, JR.,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief of Staff.

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HEADQUARTERS
803D ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY
103D INFANTRY DIVISION

APO 470, U. S. Army
1 March 1945

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal.

TO : Commanding General, 103d Infantry Division, APO 470,
United States Army.

Transmitted herewith is the Company History of the 803d
Ordnance Light Maintenance Company from 1 February 1945 to
1 March 1945.

Charles N. Reed
CHARLES N. REED,
Capt., Ord. Dept.,
Commanding.

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803D ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANYNARRATIVE1. LOCATION:

Company located in Saverne, France (WQ 7116 Wd4).

2. PURPOSE:

The Company was housed and set up for operation to Supply, Maintain, and Evacuate Ordnance Material for the Division.

3. CASUALTIES:

No Battle Casualties.

4. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

None.

5. OFFICERS ROSTER:

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>PLACE OF ENTRY INTO MILITARY SERVICE</u>
Lt. Col.	Wegener, Dick	0366663	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Major	Fortune, Philip R.	01550591	Syracuse, New York
Captain	Reed, Charles N.	01305989	San Antonio, Texas
Captain	Travers, Robert R.	01549396	Camp Upton, New York
1st Lt.	Brown, Elwood C.	01549230	Fort Crook, Nebraska
1st Lt.	Carrington, William	01310220	Fort Dix, New Jersey
1st Lt.	Imboden, John S.	01316421	Jefferson Barracks, Mo.
1st Lt.	Murphy, Robert J.	01574106	Fort Thomas, Kentucky
2nd Lt.	Bilecke, John C.	01555511	Fort Custer, Michigan
2nd Lt.	Galuszka, Andrew J.	01548795	Springfield, Mass.
2nd Lt.	Holle, Frank C.	01082966	Fort Dix, New Jersey
WO (jg)	Naccarato, Gabriel	W2129400	Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

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HEADQUARTERS
803D ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY
103d INFANTRY DIVISION

APO 470, U. S. Army
1 April 1945

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal.

TO : Commanding General, 103d Infantry Division, APO 470,
United States Army.

Transmitted herewith is the Company History of the 803d Ordnance
Light Maintenance Company from 1 March 1945 to 1 April 1945.

For the Commanding Officer:

Elwood C. Brown

ELWOOD C. BROWN,
1st Lt., Ord. Dept.

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COMPANY HISTORY
803D ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY

NARRATIVE

1. LOCATION:

Company was located at Severne, France (WQ 7116 NdG).

2. PURPOSE:

The Company was housed and set up in buildings for operation to Supply, Maintain, and Evacuate Ordnance Material for the Division.

3. MOVEMENT NUMBER 9:

Departed Severne, France (WQ 7116 NdG) 0730, 17 March 1945 via motor and arrived Ingwiller, France (WQ 8130 NdG) 1030, 17 March 1945. The distance traveled was about 15 miles. Purpose being to more closely support the Division.

4. MOVEMENT NUMBER 10:

Departed Ingwiller, France (WQ 8130 NdG) 0730, 19 March 1945 via motor and arrived Lembach, France (WR 0443 NdG) 1300, 19 March 1945. The distance traveled was about 25 miles. Purpose being to more closely support the Division.

5. REORGANIZATION OF COMPANY:

Company was reorganized 22 March 1945 under T/O & E NO. 9-8, dated 17 November 1944 and designated as the 803d Ordnance Light Maintenance Company. Authority Letter Headquarters Seventh Army, file A.G. 322-C subject; "Reorganization of Units" dated 17 March 1945. General Order No. 87, 103d Infantry Division, dated 22 March 1945 attached.

6. MOVEMENT NUMBER 11:

Departed Lembach, France (WR 0443 NdG) 1200, 25 March 1945 via motor and arrived Billigheim, Germany (WR 2659 NdG) 25 March 1945. The distance traveled was about 25 miles. Purpose being to more closely support the Division.

7. MOVEMENT NUMBER 12:

Departed Billigheim, Germany (WR 2659 NdG) 0730, 29 March 1945 via motor and arrived Frankenthal, Germany (WR 4404 NdG) 0930, 29 March 1945. The distance traveled was about 40 miles. Purpose being to more closely support the Division.

S E C R E T8. CASUALTIES:

No Battle Casualties.

9. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

None.

10. OFFICERS ROSTER:

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>PLACE OF ENTRY INTO MILITARY SERVICE</u>
Lt. Col.	Wegener, Dick	0366663	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Major	Fortune, Philip R.	01550591	Syracuse, New York
Captain	Reed, Charles N.	01305989	San Antonio, Texas
Captain	Travers, Robert R.	01549396	Camp Upton, New York
1st Lt.	Brown, Elwood C.	01549230	Fort Crook, Nebraska
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1st Lt.	Murphy, Robert J.	01574106	Fort Thomas, Kentucky
2nd Lt.	Galuszka, Andrew J.	01548795	Springfield, Mass.
WO (jg)	Naccarato, Gabriel	W2129400	Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

For the Commanding Officer:

Elwood C. Brown
 ELWOOD C. BROWN,
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HEADQUARTERS 103d INFANTRY DIVISION
Office of the Commanding General

APO 470, U. S. Army
22 March 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER - 87)

REORGANIZATION OF 803d ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY

Effective this date the 803d Ordnance Light Maintenance Company is re-organized at APO #470, U. S. Army in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment Number 9-8, dated 17 November 1944, and designated as 803d Ordnance Light Maintenance Company.

Authorized strength of the unit is nine (9) Officers; one (1) Warrant Officer; and one hundred thirty-one (131) enlisted men.

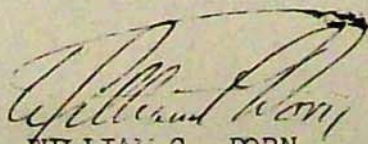
Requisition or disposition of personnel and equipment, and submission of reports, will be accomplished as prescribed in paragraph 3c, Circular 9, Headquarters Seventh Army, dated 13 March 1945.

Authority: Letter, Headquarters Seventh Army, file AG 322-C, subject: "Reorganization of Units", dated 17 March 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL McADUFFE:

G. S. MELOY, JR.,
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Captain, A.G.D.,
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HEADQUARTERS
803d ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY
103d INFANTRY DIVISION

APO 470, U.S. Army
1 May 1945

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal.

TO : Commanding General, 103d Infantry Division, APO 470,
United States Army.

Transmitted herewith is the Company History of the 803d
Ordnance Light Maintenance Company from 1 April 1945 to 1 May 1945.

Charles N. Reed

CHARLES N. REED
Capt. Ord. Dept.,
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COMPANY HISTORY
803d ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY

NARRATIVE

1. LOCATION:

Company was located at Frankenthal, Germany (WR 4404 NdG).

2. PURPOSE:

The Company was housed and set up in buildings for operation to Supply, Maintain, and Evacuate Ordnance Material for the Division.

3. MOVEMENT NUMBER 13:

Departed Frankenthal, Germany (WR 4404 NdG) 1300 2 April 1945 via motor and arrived Neustadt, Germany (WR 3083 NdG) 1430 2 April 1945. The distance traveled was about 22 miles. Purpose being to more closely support the Division.

4. MOVEMENT NUMBER 14:

Departed Neustadt, Germany (WR 3083 NdG) 0730 8 April 1945 via motor and arrived Jugenheim, Germany (WR 6428 NdG) 1030 8 April 1945. The distance traveled was about 45 miles. Purpose being to more closely support the Division.

5. MOVEMENT NUMBER 15:

Departed Jugenheim, Germany (WR 6428 NdG) 0730 20 April 1945 via motor and arrived Eschenau, Germany (WR 2161 NdG) 1400 20 April 1945. The distance traveled was about 80 miles. Purpose being to more closely support the Division.

6. MOVEMENT NUMBER 16:

Departed Eschenau, Germany (WR 2161 NdG) 0730 22 April 1945 via motor and arrived Haubersbronn, Germany (WR 2633 NdG) 1200 22 April 1945. The distance traveled was about 40 miles. Purpose being to more closely support the Division.

7. MOVEMENT NUMBER 17:

Departed Haubersbronn, Germany (WR 2633 NdG) 1300 23 April 1945 via motor and arrived Ugingen, Germany (WS 3713 NdG) 1400 23 April 1945. The distance traveled was about 24 miles. Purpose being to more closely support the Division.

S E C R E T8. MOVEMENT NUMBER 18:

Departed Uhingen, Germany (WS 3713 NdG) 0730 26 April 1945 via motor and arrived Beimerstetten, Germany (WS 6589 NdG) 1000 26 April 1945. The distance traveled was about 35 miles. Purpose being to more closely support the Division.

9. MOVEMENT NUMBER 19:

Departed Beimerstetten, Germany (WS 6589 NdG) 0730 28 April 1945 and arrived Kaufbeuren, Germany (WY 1524 NdG) 1500 28 April 1945. The distance traveled was about 78 miles. Purpose being to more closely support the Division.

10. MOVEMENT NUMBER 20:

Departed Kaufbeuren, Germany (WY 1524 NdG) 0900 30 April 1945 and arrived Ober Ammergau, Germany (WY 4994 NdG) 1300 30 April 1945. The distance traveled was about 40 miles. Purpose being to more closely support the Division.

11. CASUALTIES:

No Battle Casualties.

12. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

None.

13. OFFICERS ROSTER:

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>PLACE OF ENTRY INTO MILITARY SERVICE</u>
Lt. Col.	Wegener, Dick	0366663	Oklahoma City, Okla.
Major	Fortune, Philip R.	01550591	Syracuse, New York.
Captain	Reed, Charles N.	01305969	San Antonio, Texas
Captain	Travers, Robert R.	01549396	Camp Upton, New York
1st Lt.	Brown, Elwood C.	01549230	Fort Crook, Nebraska
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 CHARLES N. REED
 Capt. Ord. Dept.,
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APO 470, U. S. ARMY

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HEADQUARTERS
803d ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY
103d INFANTRY DIVISION

APO 470, U.S. Army
11 May 1945

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal.

TO : Commanding General, 103d Infantry Division, APO 470,
United States Army.

Transmitted herewith is the Company History of the 803d Ordnance
Light Maintenance Company from 1 May 1945 to 10 May 1945.

Charles N. Reed
CHARLES N. REED
Capt. Ord. Dept.,
Commanding

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COMPANY HISTORY
803d ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY

NARRATIVE

1. LOCATION:

Company was located at Ober Ammergau, Germany (WY 4994 NdG).

2. PURPOSE:

The Company was housed and set up for operation to Supply, Maintain, and Evacuate Ordnance Material for the Division.

3. MOVEMENT NUMBER 21:

Departed Ober Ammergau, Germany (WY 4994 NdG) 0730 5 May 1945 via motor and arrived Innsbruck, Austria (WD 7859 NdG) at 1100 5 May 1945. The distance traveled was about 50 miles. Purpose being to more closely support the Division.

4. COMPANY STRENGTH:

Morning report strength of the Company on 1 May 1945: 9 Officers
1 Warrant Officer
130 Enlisted Men

Morning report strength of the Company on 10 May 1945: 9 Officers
1 Warrant Officer
133 Enlisted Men

5. CASUALTIES:

No Battle Casualties.

6. PROMOTIONS:

No promotions made between 1 May 1945 to 10 May 1945.

7. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

None.

8. PRISONERS OF WAR:

On the morning of 4 May 1945 the German Garrison, Reichenau Eugen at Innsbruck, Austria surrendered to a reconnoitering party of the 803d (LM) Ordnance Company. Prisoners taken approximately 250.

S E C R E T9. OFFICERS ROSTER:

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>PLACE OF ENTRY INTO MILITARY SERVICE</u>
Lt. Col.	Wegener, Dick	0366663	Oklahoma City, Okla.
Major	Fortune, Philip R.	01550591	Syracuse, New York
Captain	Reed, Charles N.	01305969	San Antonio, Texas
Captain	Travers, Robert R.	01549396	Camp Upton, New York
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**HEADQUARTERS
803d ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY
103d INFANTRY DIVISION**

APO 470, U.S. Army
4 June 1945

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal.

TO: Commanding General, 103d Infantry Division, APO 470,
United States Army.

Transmitted herewith is the Company History of the 803d
Ordnance Light Maintenance Company from 10 May to 1 June 1945.

Charles N. Reed
CHARLES N. REED
Capt. Ord. Dept.,
Commanding

Morning report strength on 10 May 1945: 3
Morning report strength on 31 May 1945: 7 Officers
1 Warrant Officer
154 Enlisted Men

No Battle Casualties.

Clark, Earl E.	35545007	Pfc
Confield, Edward H.	14054729	Pfc
Greig, David W.	32245377	Pfc
Keck, Clarence W.	37197545	Pfc
Kozick, Sam E.	34522765	Pfc
Turner, William L.	35520640	Pfc

The above 6 enlisted men were promoted Technician Fifth
Grade per paragraph 5, Special Order Number 105, Headquarters
103d Infantry Division, dated 17 May 1945.

Technician Fifth Grade, Sundry, Almer 35338339, was reduced
to the grade of Private per paragraph 5, Special Order #105,
Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, dated 17 May 1945.

Ltj, Joseph	35549540	Private
O'Leary, Mark V.	37741573	Private
Seng, Robert L.	35731521	Private
Huber, Bernard J.	34299721	Private

The above 4 enlisted men were promoted Private First Class

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S E C R E T**COMPANY HISTORY**
803d ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY**NARRATIVE****6. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:****1. LOCATION:**

Company was located at Innsbruck, Austria (WD 7859 NdG) for the entire period of this report. (10 May to 1 June 1945)

2. PURPOSE:

The Company was housed and set up for operation in the German Garrison, Reichenau Eugen, to Supply, Maintain, and Evacuate Ordnance Material for the Division.

3. COMPANY STRENGTH:

Morning report strength on 10 May 1945: 9 Officers
1 Warrant Officer
133 Enlisted Men

Morning report strength on 31 May 1945: 7 Officers
1 Warrant Officer
134 Enlisted Men

4. CASUALTIES:

No Battle Casualties.

5. PROMOTIONS:

Major	Clark, Earl E.	36546007	Pfc
Captain	Canfield, Edward M	16064729	Pfc
Captain	Gregg, David W.	39245307	Pfc
1st Lt	Kern, Clarence N.	37197363	Pfc
1st Lt	Keziah, Sam F.	34852166	Pfc
1st Lt	Turner, William L.	36550648	Pfc

The above 6 enlisted men were appointed Technician Fifth Grade per paragraph 6, Special Order Number 106, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, dated 13 May 1945.

Technician Fifth Grade, Gundry, Elmer 39838538, was reduced to the grade of Private per paragraph 6, Special Order #106, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, dated 13 May 1945.

Lunt, Joseph	36545848	Private
O'Gara, Mark V	37741573	Private
Seng, Robert L	35731625	Private
Weber, Bernard J	36299715	Private

The above 4 enlisted men were appointed Private First Class per paragraph 2, Company Order Number 5, Headquarters 803d Ordnance Company (LM), dated 29 May 1945.

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6. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Eighteen enlisted men were awarded the Good Conduct Medal as per General Order Number 129, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, paragraph III, dated 16 May 1945. Copy of General Order 129 is attached.

Captain Robert R. Travers, 01549396, Ordnance Department, was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 November 1944 to 9 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Copy of General Order Number 130 Headquarters 103d Infantry Division dated 17 May 1945 is attached.

Lieutenant Colonel Dick Wegener, 0366663, Ordnance Department, was awarded the Oak-Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 April to 8 May 1945, in Southern Germany and Austria. Copy of General Order Number 133 Headquarters 103d Infantry Division dated 19 May 1945 is attached.

7. PRISONERS OF WAR:

No Prisoners of War.

8. OFFICERS ROSTER:

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>PLACE OF ENTRY INTO MILITARY SERVICE</u>
Lt. Col.	Wegener, Dick	0366663	Oklahoma City, Okla.
Major	Fortune, Philip R.	01550591	Syracuse, New York
Captain	Reed, Charles N.	01305989	San Antonio, Texas
Captain	Travers, Robert R.	01549496	Camp Upton, New York
1st Lt.	Brown, Elwood C.	01549230	Fort Crook, Nebraska
1st Lt.	Carrington, Wm.	01310220	Fort Dix, New Jersey
1st Lt.	Imboden, John S.	01316421	Jefferson Barracks, Mo.
WO 9jg)	Naccarato, Gabriel	W2129400	Fort Leavenworth, Kans.

Charles N. Reed
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On 23 April 1945, near ... Germany, the company was attached as radio operator, was pinned down ... Disregarding the hostile fire, he moved forward over 150 yards of open terrain to establish radio communication with his battalion and the resulting artillery fire drove the enemy from his positions. Sergeant McKenney's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Wilmington, Delaware.

III -- AWARD OF GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-62, 4 May 1943, as amended, and with the concurrence of the Headquarters Commandant, the Good Conduct Medal is awarded to following named enlisted men, 803d Ordnance (IM) Company, for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity:

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AWARD OF SILVER STAR	I
AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL	II
AWARD OF GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL	III

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 individual:

Corporal George A. Schelhorn, Jr., 33525637, Infantry, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division. For gallantry in action. On 23 April 1945, near * * *, Germany, when an infantry battalion lost contact with the regimental command post, Corporal Schelhorn voluntarily drove a staff officer through hostile territory to establish communications. Approaching an enemy column, Corporal Schelhorn opened fire and with the aid of the officer dispersed the column, and continued on. Subjected to enemy machine gun fire from an ambush, the two men quickly took cover and engaged the enemy, until Corporal Schelhorn was wounded, at which time both men were forced to surrender. Escaping from a hospital, he persuaded an enemy soldier to desert, who in turn led him to friendly lines, where Corporal Schelhorn reported the situation to his commanding officer. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Alexandria, Virginia.

II -- 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 is awarded to following named individual:

Staff Sergeant Francis B. McKenney, 32267503, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 382d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 23 April 1945, near * * *, Germany, the company to which Sergeant McKenney was attached as radio operator, was pinned down by heavy 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. Sergeant McKenney's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Wilmington, Delaware.

III -- AWARD OF GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-68, 4 May 1943, as amended, and with the concurrence of the Headquarters Commandant, the Good Conduct Medal is awarded to following named enlisted men, 803d Ordnance (LM) Company, for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity:

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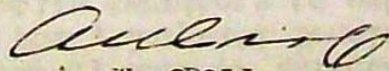
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Technician Fourth Grade	Bohrer, Charles H.	32386787
Technician Fifth Grade	Carabotta, Anthony T.	35534547
Private First Class	Gregg, David W.	39245307
Private First Class	Green, Clifton	36782861
Technician Third Grade	Harmon, Robert J.	32846347
Private First Class	Katzman, Sidney M.	12184683
Technician Fifth Grade	Kennington, James R.	34783806
Private First Class	Keziah, Sam F	34852166
Technician Fifth Grade	Leyh, Walter M.	35525619
Private First Class	Mills, Chester E.	31429415
Technician Fifth Grade	Mokritsky, Frank J.	33482954
Private	O'Gara, Mark V.	37741573
Private First Class	Pritzen, Douglas T.	18082337
Corporal	Riggs, William E.	34464766
Private First Class	Sobocinski, Louis J.	35915698
Technician Fifth Grade	Walsh, John M.	32355709
Technician Fifth Grade	Westmoreland, Ray H.	34893798
Technician Fourth Grade	Zolensky, Lawrence S.	33262075

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AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL	II
AWARD OF AIR MEDAL	III
AWARD OF THIRD OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL	IV
AWARD OF PURPLE HEART	V
REVOCAION OF AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL	VI

1 — 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:

MAJOR ERNEST J. GILMAN, 0456217, Infantry, Headquarters, Third Battalion, 410th Infantry Regiment (then General Staff Corps, Headquarters, 103d Infantry Division). For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 November 1944 to 10 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Kalamazoo, Michigan.

SECOND LIEUTENANT HARRY WEBER, 01328206, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On the night of 12 March 1945, after previous patrols had failed to secure information concerning roads and bridges near * * *, France, LIEUTENANT WEBER and another soldier infiltrated through enemy lines in an attempt to obtain the information. He crawled through mine fields, passed within five yards of known enemy strongpoints, crossed two streams and, despite constant flares, reached an advantageous observation point. After remaining within five yards of an enemy sentry for one and a half hours, LIEUTENANT WEBER successfully returned to friendly lines with the valuable information that had been obtained. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Summerville, South Carolina.

Sergeant Chester L. LaMoureaux, 37249642 (then Technician Fifth Grade), Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On the night of 12 March 1945, after previous patrols had failed to secure information concerning roads and bridges near * * *, France, Sergeant LaMoureaux and an officer infiltrated through enemy lines in an attempt to obtain the information. He crawled through mine fields, passed within five yards of known enemy strongpoints, crossed two streams, and, despite constant flares, reached an advantageous observation point. After remaining within five yards of an enemy sentry for one and a half hours, Sergeant LaMoureaux successfully returned to friendly lines with the valuable

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information that had been obtained. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Lake City, South Dakota.

LIUTENANT COLONEL MELVIN F. HUTH, 0377452, Medical Corps, Headquarters, 328th Medical Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 April to 4 May 1945 in Germany and Austria. Residence: Baraboo, Wisconsin.

CAPTAIN ROBERT R. TRAVERS, 01549396, Ordnance Department, 803d Ordnance Company. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 November 1944 to 9 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Brooklyn, New York.

MAJOR ALLAN E. SHOLLENBERGER, 0395925, Quartermaster Corps, 103d Quartermaster Company. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 December 1944 to 9 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Hamburg, Pennsylvania.

Master Sergeant Howard E. Crouch, 33313324, Infantry, Headquarters, 103d Infantry Division. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 November 1944 to 9 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

II -- 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 is awarded to following named individuals:

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.

MAJOR SHELDEN D. ELLIOTT, 0519660, Army of the United States, Headquarters, 103d Infantry Division. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 November 1944 to 10 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Falls Church, Virginia.

MAJOR GEORGE H. SCHAFER, 0396946, Quartermaster Corps, 103d Quartermaster Company. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 April to 6 May 1945 in Germany and Austria. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

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

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FIRST LIEUTENANT GEORGE T. BURTON, O1174796, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 383d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March to 30 April 1945 in Eastern France and Germany. Residence: Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina.

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

FIRST LIEUTENANT WILLIAM C. CLARK, JR., O554185, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 928th Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 March to 24 April 1945 in Germany. Residence: Daytona Beach, Florida.

FIRST LIEUTENANT LARRY G. GENERACH, O541227, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 383d Field Artillery Battalion, from 14 March to 27 April 1945 in Eastern France and Germany. Residence: Battle Creek, Michigan.

FIRST LIEUTENANT LLOYD D. HUSKINS, O1171606, Field Artillery, Headquarters 383d Field Artillery Battalion, from 20 March to 29 April 1945 in Germany. Residence: Boonford, North Carolina.

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:

Private First Class Harold J. Ott, 42C01863, Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 March 1945. Residence: Carfield, New Jersey.

Corporal Lenet L. St Martin, 38655721, Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Residence: Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Technician Fifth Grade Edward J. Bernetskie, 33829841 (then Private First Class), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 November 1944. Residence: New Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Paul V. Webster, 14116554, Infantry, Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 4 February 1945. Residence: Mechanicsburg, Ohio.

Private First Class Joseph C. Noel, 36549887, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 December 1944. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class Harold E. Worsley, Jr., 39580967, Infantry, Company "E", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 January 1945. Residence, Beaumont, California.

Technician Fifth Grade Robert G. Garner, 34666631 (then Private), Infantry, Headquarters Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 December 1944. Residence: Newport, North Carolina.

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V -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART (Cont'd)

Sergeant Ralph Crawford, 39903504, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Residence: Yerington, Nevada.

Corporal Gordon K. George, 39913943 (then Private First Class), Infantry, Headquarters Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Residence: Salt Lake City, Utah.

Private First Class Martin E. Mielcarek, 36550318, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 10 March 1945. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Kenneth E. Boyd, 34464871, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 March 1945. Residence: Mooresville, North Carolina.

Private First Class Dennis N. Walker, 35809743, Infantry, Company "I", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 19 January 1945. Residence: Hazleton, Indiana.

Corporal Kenneth O. Cameron, 39256146, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 March 1945. Residence: Salt Lake City, Utah.

Private First Class Thomas Musolino, 32106335, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 3 February 1945. Residence: Brooklyn, New York.

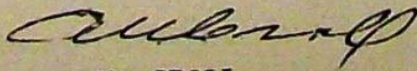
Private First Class Joseph J. Zimage, 33134151, Quartermaster Corps, 103d Quartermaster Company (then Private, Company "F", 148th Infantry Regiment), New Georgia, British Solomon Islands, 18 July 1943. Residence: McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania.

VI - REVOCATION OF AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. So much of Section I, General Orders No. 128, this Headquarters, dated 15 May 1945, as pertains to award of Bronze Star Medal to Corporal Joseph I. Knaebel, 37245893, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 382d Field Artillery Battalion, is revoked.

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AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR	I
AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL	II
AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL	III

I -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to following named individual:

Technical Sergeant Martin J. O'Grady, 36547497, Infantry, Company "C", 409th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 30 April 1945, near Scharnitz, Austria, Company "C", 409th Infantry was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun and 20 millimeter automatic weapon fire, and suffered heavy casualties. Sergeant O'Grady seeing that his platoon was hardest hit, rose to his feet, and armed only with a pistol charged the enemy positions in an attempt to draw fire from his men, only to fall mortally wounded as he reached the hostile emplacements. His men inspired by his sacrifice immediately resumed the attack and succeeded in overcoming all resistance. Sergeant O'Grady's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Detroit, Michigan. Next of kin: Mrs. Evelyn O'Grady (Wife), 1028 Lansing Street, Detroit, Michigan.

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:

Sergeant Elvis D. Wallace, 38399258, Infantry, Company "K", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 24 January 1945, near Niedermörsch, France, one platoon of Company "K", 409th Infantry was outposting a building near an enemy occupied woods, was attacked by approximately 75 of the enemy. When the hostile force threatened the only escape route, Sergeant Wallace remained in the building and fired on the enemy while his comrades withdrew. Despite the intense fire he succeeded in killing seven of the enemy and wounding several others. His actions which permitted the platoon to withdraw reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Okmulgee, Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant Arden R. Frantz, 35166200, Infantry, Company "C", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 30 April 1945, a tank-infantry task force, protected on the flanks by Sergeant Frantz's platoon, was subjected to enemy machine gun, sniper and 20 millimeter automatic weapon fire as it approached Scharnitz, Austria. Disregarding the heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Frantz led his platoon in an attack over difficult terrain, destroying three

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20 millimeter automatic weapons, capturing 15 of the enemy and forcing the remainder to withdraw. His outstanding leadership which enabled the task force to continue its advance reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: North Manchester, Indiana.

Staff Sergeant Gordon F. Walker, 35338813, Infantry, Company "C", 41th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 21 November 1944, Sergeant Walker voluntarily went forward with attacking infantry elements to establish an advance base of operations in Sauley, France. Forced to abandon his vehicle on three occasions and seek cover from intense enemy artillery, mortar, machine gun and small arms fire, and despite the fact that the vehicle was spun around by concussion of landing shells, he succeeded in reaching the town. Although snipers were still active in the town, he successfully completed his mission, materially assisting infantry elements in the coordination of activities and the ultimate crossing of the Meurthe River. Sergeant Walker's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Evanston, Illinois.

FIRST LIEUTENANT STERLING A. BATTE, JR., 01058170, Infantry, Company "K", 41th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 21 April 1945 when the attack on Hegenlohe, Germany, was halted by intense enemy machine gun fire, and two armored cars brought forward were unable to fire into the enemy positions due to bazooka fire and limited visibility, LIEUTENANT BATTE ordered his men to take cover. Disregarding the enemy fire, he ran forward, located the hostile machine gun and bazooka positions and directed the fire of the armored cars, which knocked out the enemy positions. His actions, which cleared the route of advance of the company, reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Louisville, Mississippi.

FIRST LIEUTENANT ARTHUR P. RITCHEY, 01051342 (then SECOND LIEUTENANT), Infantry, Company "K", 41th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945, after two platoons had entered Muhlhausen, France against strong enemy resistance, LIEUTENANT RITCHEY's company commander and second in command were wounded and evacuated. Orienting his platoon sergeant, LIEUTENANT RITCHEY moved forward into the town, reorganized the two forward platoons and led the company in a house to house fight, successfully clearing his sector of the town. LIEUTENANT RITCHEY's outstanding leadership reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Kiltore, Texas.

Private First Class James H. Barr, 37257232, Infantry, Company "A", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 2 May 1945, near A-Land, Austria during an armor supported attack by Company "A", 409th Infantry, Private Barr discovered an enemy rocket emplacement occupied by eight men which was a threat to our armor. Disregarding small arms and machine gun fire, Private Barr opened fire and with two well aimed shots, killed two of the enemy, and then in a bold rush forced the remaining six to flee from the emplacement. His aggressive actions which permitted the company to continue its advance reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Pocahontas, Arkansas.

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 II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Cont'd)

SECOND LIEUTENANT WALTER L. HURST, 01058848, Infantry, Company "A", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 18 March 1945, LIEUTENANT HURST was leading a five man patrol into Reisdorf, Germany to determine enemy dispositions when small arms fire from a numerically superior enemy forced the patrol to scatter. LIEUTENANT HURST, instead of returning to our lines, waited until darkness, then attacked and subdued a member of an enemy patrol and brought the prisoner back for questioning. Valuable information was obtained on which to base future operations. LIEUTENANT HURST's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Houston,, Texas.

Corporal George M. Holmes, 32058295, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 24 April 1945, near Munsinger, Germany, Corporal Holmes, aid man, observing a comrade fall wounded during an attack, ran forward to administer aid. While treating the man's wounds, two enemy soldiers approached him and stated that 10 armed enemy were in the nearby woods. Corporal Holmes ordered the two men to carry his comrade to our lines and then entered the woods. Encountering the ten enemy soldiers, he convinced them that further resistance was futile, at which time they ceased firing and followed Corporal Holmes to our lines to surrender. Corporal Holmes' actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Patterson, New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant Erwin T. Brown, 34255701, Infantry, Headquarters, 103d Infantry Division. For meritorious service in action from 15 September 1943 to 4 May 1945, in England, Holland, Belgium, France, Germany and Austria. As driver for the Deputy Division Commander of the 101st Airborne Division and the Commanding General of the 103d Infantry Division, Sergeant Brown conscientiously and faithfully demonstrated superior skill and devotion to duty. Frequently exposed to enemy artillery and small arms fire, Sergeant Brown habitually displayed coolness and reliability. His superior performance of duty contributed to the successful combat operations of the 101st Airborne Division and 103d Infantry Division. Residence: Greensboro, North Carolina.

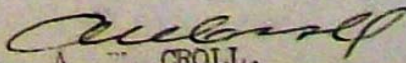
III -- AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal is awarded to following named individual:

LIEUTENANT COLONEL DICK WEGENER, 0366663, Ordnance Department, 803d Ordnance Company. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 April to 8 May 1945, in Southern Germany and Austria. Residence: Tyler, Texas.

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