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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL . . . . . I  
AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL . . . . . II

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 following named individuals:

Private First Class Dominic J. DeNicola, 36712627, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France, Private DeNicola, on his own initiative, went forward with one other man to sweep a road clear of mines which was to be used as a supply route. He moved forward under intense enemy mortar and sniper fire with utter disregard for his life. Prior to reaching their objective, his comrade was wounded by a mortar shell but he continued on with undaunted courage. With the aid of a new man he proceeded skillfully forward reaching the initial objective and swept 50 yards farther. As a result of Private DeNicola's magnificent valor, routes of safety were open and troops and tank destroyers were able to reach their objective. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Sergeant Edward J. Majewski, 36626666, Infantry, Company "B", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France, a fierce enemy counter-attack threatened the security of Sergeant Majewski's platoon. He set up a captured enemy machine gun in the streets of the village, and awaited the attack. Having only forty rounds of ammunition, Sergeant Majewski allowed the enemy to come within 50 yards of his position before opening fire. At least three of the enemy were killed, and the counter-attack broken up. Sergeant Majewski's coolness under fire and good judgment reflected credit on the military service. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Technical Sergeant Raymond F. Sima, 36714392, Infantry, Company "H", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France, Sergeant Sima, on his own initiative, under constant enemy mortar, artillery and sniper fire, put his platoon of machine guns in reconnoitered positions. Under a threat of an imminent armored counter-attack he worked on courageously and without regard for his life. His skill in this tactical operation displayed remarkable ingenuity and alacrity of judgment while under fire. As a result of Sergeant Sima's magnificent valor an enemy counter-attack was repulsed and the advancing rifle companies were given invaluable support. Residence: Kankakee, Illinois.

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FIRST LIEUTENANT ALEXANDER H. B. JEFFORDS, JR., 01296379, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 409th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France. Residence: Narberth, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Leonard J. Radjewski, 36549277, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 November 1944 in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class Leroy C. Bruno, 38421955, Infantry, Company "E", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 11 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France, Private Bruno's company came under a heavy barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire. During the initial stage of this action, five men of the company were wounded. Necessitating immediate action, Private Bruno, with undaunted courage and utter disregard for his life, left his covered position, crawled to the aid of the men, and administered the necessary first aid. As a result of this magnificent valor, the lives of five men were saved. Residence: La Grange, Texas.

Staff Sergeant Steve A. Novak, 36359619, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France, Sergeant Novak accompanied an advance element into the enemy line. In this forward position the enemy encircled our forces and concentrated small arms and artillery fire on our men, wounding several. Sergeant Novak, without regard to his personal safety, exposed himself to intense fire to bring the wounded to the safety of a house. Realizing the precarious position they were in, he returned through the encircling enemy to the rear, and brought much needed transportation to the wounded. Again he returned through the enemy lines, evacuating the wounded to the rear. Because of his courageous efforts, all casualties were given prompt medical care. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Sergeant Joseph F. LeBeau, 36549556, Infantry, Company "I", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France, Sergeant LeBeau's company was subjected to such heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire that a withdrawal was imperative. On his own initiative, and with utter disregard for his own safety, he chose to remain behind and see if any of our troops were wounded. Under constant enemy observation, he courageously checked the area. Finding a seriously wounded comrade, through a hail of enemy fire, Sergeant LeBeau carried his wounded comrade to safety. His heroic action saved the life of the soldier and was an inspiration to the men in his company. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Howard W. Bishop, 37550637, Infantry, Company "F", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the twilight hours of 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France, Sergeant

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Bishop observed two men in his squad drop to the ground on a nearby hill, the victims of enemy sniper fire. In full view of the snipers and under intense machine gun and rifle fire, he dashed courageously forward to the side of the injured men. He administered first aid immediately and seeing it physically impossible to evacuate both men at once, he took them one at a time down the precarious slope until he reached a point of safety. Sergeant Bishop performed these deeds of magnificent valor with utter disregard for his own life. Residence: St. Paul, Minnesota.

Private Linn A. Campbell, 16105884, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the night of 16 November 1944 and the daylight hours of 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \*, France, Private Campbell, medical aid man attached to Company "H", worked valiantly and tirelessly in administering first aid to the wounded. In one instance he observed three aid men shot down by enemy sniper fire, while attempting to give aid to the wounded. With utter disregard for his life and fully cognizant of the impending danger, he dashed forward under intense fire, reached the men and administered medical aid. As a result of Private Campbell's outstanding valor the lives of several men were undoubtedly saved. Residence: Saginaw, Michigan.

Private First Class Clyde F. Himmel, 36669574, Infantry, Headquarters, First Battalion, 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 24 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \*, France, Private Himmel, in company with his battalion commander and S-2, was pinned down by intense enemy machine gun and automatic weapons fire. Sensing the precarious position of all personnel, Private Himmel, with utter disregard for his life, secured a rifle and single-handedly attacked the machine gun nest wiping them out. After this courageous mission was accomplished he firmly stood his ground silencing all enemy sniper fire. As a result of Private Himmel's magnificent valor, personnel in the area were assured protection until additional help arrived. Residence: Peoria, Illinois.

Private First Class Arthur R. Couture, 36553790, Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 24 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \*, France, Private Couture, a machine gunner, was supporting an attack on the enemy, when intense hostile machine gun fire opened up, pinning our troops down. The ferociousness of the enemy's attack necessitated an immediate withdrawal of our forces. Without regard to his personal welfare he courageously remained at his gun and single-handedly held off the enemy until our troops reached safety. Only after the last man had withdrawn did he leave his exposed position and carry his gun to the rear. His heroic actions while under strong enemy fire, enabled our men to seek necessary cover, and undoubtedly saved many lives. Residence: Bay City, Michigan.

Private First Class James G. Alexander, 32549276, Infantry, Company "K", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the twilight hours of 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \*, France, Private Alexander and his Company Commander, were crossing open terrain in an effort to

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contact another company. As they approached this company, an enemy patrol opened fire, forcing them to hit the ground. Necessitating immediate action, Private Alexander, on his own initiative and with utter disregard for his life, plunged toward the enemy, who simultaneously threw a hand grenade that landed within a few feet of Private Alexander. Fully cognizant of the danger and with utter disregard for his own safety, Private Alexander, with magnificent courage, opened fire, killing one man and forcing the retreat of an enemy patrol. Residence: Pennyan, New York.

Sergeant Van More Du Perron, 36411917, Infantry, Company "B", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France, Sergeant Du Perron was pinned to the ground by intense enemy artillery and mortar fire. Observing a comrade wounded by enemy fire, he dashed boldly in the face of the enemy to rescue him. Reaching the spot he found the injured man pinned to the ground by a fallen log. He removed the log and courageously dragged the casualty to safety. After this valorous mission was completed he returned to his area and led them into a position on a hill whereby they could place direct fire on the enemy. As a result of Sergeant Du Perron's magnificent courage, the enemy was prevented from advancing on the right flank and our troops successfully advanced to their objective. Residence: Honor, Michigan.

Private First Class Earl J. Gardner, Jr., 34812025, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the twilight hours of 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France, a patrol was moving through a thickly wooded area, under intense machine gun and rifle fire. On investigating an intricate road block, a member of the patrol stepped on a shoe mine, inflicting lacerations of the body. Private Gardner was immediately called, and in administering first aid, stepped on an anti-personnel mine, seriously wounding himself. With the loss of his foot, an eye and other lacerations of the body, Private Gardner directed the platoon leader as to the proper administering of first aid to his wounded comrade. Only after the wounded man had been aided, did he submit to aid for himself. His display of magnificent courage was an inspiration to his comrades and a credit to the service. Residence: Sheffield, Alabama.

Private First Class Myron M. Howard, 39681023, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 24 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France, Private Howard, medical aid man attached to Company "F", was pinned down by intense enemy mortar and artillery fire. Observing a fallen comrade nearby, he dashed through a hail of enemy fire, with utter disregard for his life, to give first aid. While giving aid he was struck by shrapnel but continued on with undaunted courage despite his wounds, after all possible aid had been administered he carried the injured man over a mile to the Battalion aid station. Not until he was assured that his injured comrade had been given full attention would he submit to medical attention himself. Residence: Caldwell, Idaho.

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Private First Class Lick J. Kasten, 37399975, Infantry, Company "I", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* France, Private Kasten, on his own initiative, kept vital communication lines open in the face of heavy enemy artillery fire. On numerous occasions, with utter disregard for his own safety, he traversed fire swept terrain to locate breaks in the line. These communications linked the artillery and mortar observers with the rear. Had it not been for his heroic actions, our infantry would have been unable to obtain artillery and mortar fire which was vitally necessary as our forces advanced against enemy strongholds. Residence: Cuba, Missouri.

Private Bernard C. Wiener, 12148475, Infantry, Cannon Company, 411th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France. Residence: Bronx, New York.

Private First Class Alex Oz, Jr., 36577238, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 22 November and 30 November 1944, near \* \* \* , France, Private Oz, on both occasions, while pinned down by enemy machine gun and small arms fire, dashed courageously forward to administer aid and dragged a wounded comrade to safety. In the first action he crawled forward a distance of 100 yards in the face of enemy machine gun fire and administered first aid promptly. In the second action he was near a fellow comrade who had been cut down by machine gun fire. He valiantly rushed ahead until he reached the injured man and gave all aid possible. In each instance he braved enemy fire with utter disregard for his life. Private Oz display of magnificent valor was a source of inspiration to all. Residence: Dearborn, Michigan.

II - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to following named individuals:

Private First Class Joseph A. Woehler, 35727579, Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France, Private Woehler, runner, was with the first platoon of his company when pinned down by intense enemy mortar and machine gun fire. Having lost contact with the second platoon, Private Woehler, on his own initiative, courageously crawled forward in search of them. This mission necessitated wading a stream and crossing an open field in full view of the enemy. Fully cognizant of the impending danger facing him, he pushed on with utter disregard for his life. While wading the stream he lost his steel helmet, but went on forward without it. Before the adjacent platoon was located, he was struck by enemy machine gun fire, falling mortally wounded. Throughout this entire action Private Woehler's magnificent valor was in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Haubstadt, Indiana. Next of kin: Mrs. Frances Woehler (mother), Haubstadt, Indiana.

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AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded following named individuals:

CAPTAIN JOHN A. MOORE, JR., O363114, Chemical Warfare Service, Third Chemical Battalion, motorized. For gallantry in action. During the daylight hours of 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \*, France, CAPTAIN MOORE'S company was providing mortar support for the Second Battalion of the 409th Infantry Regiment. On a forced march, a strongly fortified enemy road block was encountered by the group. Fully cognizant of the precarious position, CAPTAIN MOORE quickly advanced to the front of the column in order to ascertain the enemies strength. In full view of enemy observers, he courageously sped forward amid a hail of hostile fire emanating from concealed implacements less than 50 yards away. In the confusion of battle, friendly tanks approaching the area, opened fire to the south. Realizing the troops upon which the tanks were firing to be our own, with utter disregard for his life and displaying magnificent courage, he dashed up and down the row of tanks, between cross fire, shouting and banging on the sides in order that they would cease firing. This bold mission accomplished, he, with the aid of two soldiers, fearlessly set forth to destroy the enemy strongpoint. Under protective fire, he valiantly raced across 40 yards of open terrain, attacked the emplacement single-handedly, forcing the enemy to surrender. He then advanced to within 10 yards of an enemy held house, but was forced back by intense machine pistol fire. Two other soldiers in the meanwhile were cut down by hostile fire as they attempted the same route of approach. Skillfully maneuvering into another route of advance, he again single-handedly attacked the house with only two rounds of ammunition left. As a result of his aggressive action the enemy were completely taken by surprise and forced to surrender. Throughout this entire action, CAPTAIN MOORE'S magnificent courage reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL CHARLES L. McMACKIN, O383322, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 23 November 1944, in the \* \* \*, France, COLONEL McMACKIN displayed superb leadership and coolness under fire, while directing the attack of his battalion, and a dangerous river crossing was successfully accomplished. COLONEL McMACKIN personally and energetically supervised and directed the attack. For over six hours he was under constant sniper fire which harassed and endangered his life. At one time, with danger to himself, he fired

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over the head of his regimental commander, and killed a sniper, who was aiming at the regimental commander. When hostile artillery secured the range on his command post, instead of leaving his post, he remained and kept control of his troops, despite the fact that his life was in constant danger. Throughout the entire action his conduct inspired his men and contributed materially to the combat effectiveness of the battalion. Residence: Salem, Illinois.

MAJOR SEYMOUR B. SATTERWHITE, 0301720, Infantry, Headquarters, 41th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. During daylight hours of 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \*, France, MAJOR SATTERWHITE, as Regimental S-3, executed a superb plan of attack, involving two battalions in order that two villages might be captured simultaneously. Over extremely mountainous terrain and under trying physical conditions he kept pace with the troops in order to ascertain the outcome of the plan. Enemy machine gun and mortar fire endangered and harrassed him, but ignoring the danger to his life, he energetically and personally supervised the execution of the plan of attack. Despite bullets striking all around him, his leadership was superb and his judgment cool. Four times he fearlessly crossed fire-swept terrain so that he might execute his plan. His courageous and calm leadership contributed materially to the success of the regiment's attack. Residence: Roxboro, North Carolina.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL WALDEMAR M. MUELLER, 0355785, Infantry, Headquarters, Third Battalion, 41th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. During the daylight hours of 28 November 1944 near \* \* \* and \* \* \*, France, COLONEL MUELLER, as battalion commander, displayed superb leadership in maneuvering his troops; enabling them to force the enemy continually out of position. He conceived the plan for the capture of \* \* \*, and not content with this, he led his troops through the streets of the city, returning sniper fire which constantly threatened his life. For more than a mile and a half he exposed himself to enemy fire, remaining at the head of his troops. His cool, courageous leadership under fire was a source of inspiration to the entire battalion. Residence: Lincoln, Nebraska.

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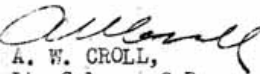
So much of General Orders Number 42, this Headquarters, dated 7 December 1944, as pertains to award of Bronze Star Medal to following named individuals, is revoked:

LIEUTENANT COLONEL CHARLES L. McMAKIN, 0383322, Infantry,  
Headquarters, First Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment.  
LIEUTENANT COLONEL WALDEMAR M. LUELLER, 0355785, Infantry,  
Headquarters, Third Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment.  
MAJOR SEYMOUR B. SATTLEWHITE, 0301720, Infantry, Head-  
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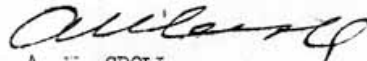
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MAJOR RICHARD C THOMAS, O21289, GSC, Hq, 103d Inf Div, is announced as  
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3.

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AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL . . . . .	III

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 following named individual:

Technician Fifth Grade Donald L. Wood, 17169817, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 11 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \*, France, Technician Wood, medical aid man attached to Company "E", was pinned down by intense enemy mortar and artillery fire. Observing five wounded comrades in need of immediate medical attention, he dashed boldly, in the face of enemy fire, to their side. With utter disregard for his life, he stayed with the men until all possible aid had been administered. As a result of Technician Wood's magnificent valor the lives of five men were undoubtedly saved. Residence: Newton, Iowa.

II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded following named individuals:

Staff Sergeant Lloyd W. Mason, 34302747, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the height of an attack by the 410th Infantry Regiment, in the vicinity of \* \* \*, France, on 29 November 1944, Sergeant Mason found it necessary to establish an advance evacuation post. On his own initiative, and without thought of personal danger, while under continuous enemy small arms, artillery and mortar fire, he calmly set up the forward aid station. Sergeant Mason, with magnificent courage, constantly exposed himself to enemy fire to aid in the evacuation of his wounded comrades. He not only handled the evacuation of patients, but also used himself as a litter-bearer. Throughout the day, endangering his life numerous times, he directed and assisted the litter squad along the route of evacuation. His skillful and speedy evacuation of all seriously wounded men and the alleviating of much suffering were an inspiration to all those around him. His personal coolness and devotion to duty were in accordance with the highest tradition of the armed forces. Last seen at his post, as darkness approached, Sergeant Mason was reported as missing in action. Residence: Raleigh, North Carolina. Next of kin: Mrs. Elsie Mason (wife), Vance Apartments, Raleigh, North Carolina.

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Private Sidney Kantor, 32976693, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France, Private Kantor, litter-bearer; attached to Headquarters Company, First Battalion, exposed himself continually throughout the day and night, to constant enemy artillery fire in order to assist in the evacuation of the wounded. Observing wounded men in need of evacuation he proceeded forward, with utter disregard for his life so that they might be given prompt attention. He worked courageously and indefatigably despite the fact he had gone over 18 hours without food or water. Not until he was assured that all the wounded had been evacuated would he return to the battalion aid station. Throughout this entire action Private Kantor's outstanding valor reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Private Kantor has subsequently been reported missing in action. Residence: New York, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Edith F. Kantor (mother), 3191 Rochambeau Avenue, N.w York, New York.

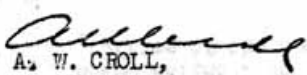
Private First Class Robert F. Kluge, 33725068, Infantry, Company "M" 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France, Private Kluge, wireman, was pinned to the ground by intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Observing that the communication lines to the heavy weapons companies were disrupted, with utter disregard for his life, he courageously crawled forward checking, repairing and rechecking the wires. Despite the fact he was under constant devastating enemy fire he continued on relentlessly with untiring efforts. As a result of his display of magnificent valor, communication lines were kept intact and the respective companies were able to push forward successfully. Private Kluge has subsequently been reported as missing in action. Residence: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Next of kin: Mrs. Margaret Ann Kluge (wife), 7946 Germantown Avenue, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

III -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named individual:

Technician Fifth Grade Joseph J. Oko, 36714349, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 29 November 1944 to 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of \* \* \* , France. Residence: Chicago, Illinois. Next of kin: Mrs. Tillie Oko (mother), 3625 South Marshfield Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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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 received in action against the enemy:

Staff Sergeant Louis R. Murphy, 36547522, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 382d Field Artillery Battalion, France, 12 December 1944. Residence: Mount Pleasant, Michigan.

Private First Class Harold H. Rodenborg, 37549123, Infantry, Company "A", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 2 December 1944. Residence: Mora, Minnesota.

Private First Class Robert C. Yager, 35585397, Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 24 November 1944. Residence: Indianapolis, Indiana.

Private First Class Roger A. Hunt, 35048992, Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 24 November 1944. Residence: Lakewood, Ohio.

Private First Class Marcus Graller, 36413334, Infantry, Company "E", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 November 1944. Residence: Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Private First Class Roger Cant, 34777513, Infantry, Company "I", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 November 1944. Residence: Burlington, North Carolina.

Private First Class Eli F. Santos, 39161882, Infantry, Company "K", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 November 1944. Residence: Los Angeles, California.

Private Haskell J. Morris, 38592959, Infantry, Company "E", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 December 1944. Residence: Westville, Oklahoma.

Sergeant Samuel A. Parendo, 37326385, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 December 1944. Residence: Duluth, Minnesota.

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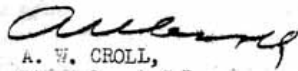
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