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APO 470, U. S. Army
21 February 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER - 65)

- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL I
- AWARD OF OF PURPLE HEART II
- AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART III

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

CAPTAIN RAY L. ROSENSTEELE, 01173057, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroism in action. On the night of 25 January 1945, CAPTAIN ROSENSTEELE, artillery liaison officer attached to the Second Battalion, 410th Infantry Regiment, and his men were forced to withdraw with members of the command post when the enemy launched an attack on * * *, France. During the withdrawal, CAPTAIN ROSENSTEELE observed that two of his men were missing. After locating one of them, he returned to the town, heedless of the presence of enemy troops and of automatic weapon fire raking the streets, in search of the other man. He rejoined his group only after a thorough search and making certain that the missing man was not there. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Vandergrift, Pennsylvania.

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SECOND LIEUTENANT JAMES E. HEALEY, JR., 02007006 (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 13 January 1945, in the vicinity of * * *, France, Sergeant Healey, with a detail, was assigned the mission of clearing a path through a mine field in order to place anti-tank guns in position. Successfully removing the first row of mines, Sergeant Healey was continuing his reconnaissance when he heard an explosion, turned and saw two of his comrades lying wounded in the mine field. Although warned that the field was booby-trapped, he twice entered it to bring the injured men to a vehicle and then drove them to an aid station. Sergeant Healey's heroic actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Maywood, Illinois.

Private First Class Harold E. Saunders, Jr., 12102620, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of * * *, France, Private Saunders, a messenger, and his anti-tank platoon were pinned down in their foxholes by intense enemy artillery and mortar fire. Seeing a wounded rifleman in an exposed position, Private Saunders, on his own initiative ran to his one-quarter ton truck, drove over 400 yards of fire-swept terrain to the wounded man and evacuated him to an aid station. Returning to his gun position, he and his platoon were again

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forced to seek cover by the enemy fire. When another rifleman fell wounded in front of his position, Private Saunders again went forward and evacuated him to the aid station. His heroic actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Swissvale, Pennsylvania.

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

Private First Class Robert E. Broeden, 18073893, Infantry, Company "F", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 November 1944. Residence: Medford, Oklahoma.

III -- AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded following named individuals for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

Private LeRoy Davis, 37246397, Corps of Engineers, Company "C", 328th Engineer Combat Battalion, France, 28 January 1945. Residence: Clay Center, Kansas.

Private Raymond N. Ottey, 33579972, Corps of Engineers, Company "C", 328th Engineer Combat Battalion, France, 28 January 1945. Residence: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General McAULIFFE:

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ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Under the provisions of paragraph 6a, AR 600-20, the undersigned hereby assumes command of the 103d Infantry Division during the temporary absence of Major General ANTHONY C. McAULIFFE, USA.

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J. T. PIERCE,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army.

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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:

Technical Sergeant Walter J. Parton, 6927011, Infantry, Company "G", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 19 February 1945. Residence: Knoxville, Tennessee.

Sergeant Henry W. Busch, 37447860, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 December 1944. Residence: Allison, Iowa.

Private Richard E. Barnett, 32704536, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 November 1944. Residence: Brooklyn, New York.

Private First Class Joe Radosta, 36776986, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 February 1945. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class Lloyd A. Lawrence, 38430684, Infantry, Company "M", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 February 1945. Residence: Garner, Texas.

Private First Class Frederick W. Paynter, 36412385, Infantry, Company "N", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 13 December 1944. Residence: Flint, Michigan.

By command of Brigadier General PIERCE:

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A W A R D O F P U R P L E H E A R T

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

Sergeant Lester D. Moore, 15106288, Infantry, Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 19 December 1944. Residence: Danville, Illinois.

Private George Garvey, Jr., 34496207, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 February 1945. Residence: Whiteville, Tennessee.

Private First Class Albert H. Reitsman, 35531125, Infantry, Company "M", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 19 February 1945. Residence: Cleveland, Ohio.

Private First Class Walter G. Kalas, 31428664, Infantry, Company "M", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 February 1945. Residence: Haverhill, Massachusetts.

Private First Class Robert Armstrong, 39468376, Infantry, Company "M", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 February 1945. Residence: Spokane, Washington.

Sergeant Frederick L. Letourneau, 36554758, Infantry, Company "M", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 19 February 1945. Residence: River Rouge, Michigan.

Private First Class Jeane T. Burnham, 36867526, Infantry, Company "M", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 February 1945. Residence: St. Johns, Michigan.

Private First Class Daniel R. Street, Jr., 38402459, Infantry, Company "K", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 February 1945. Residence: Lindsay, Oklahoma.

Private First Class Raymond P. Duvall, 15043659, Infantry, Company "K", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 February 1945. Residence: Montone, Indiana.

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Private Robert W. Bluhm, 42095296, Infantry, Company "M", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 February 1945. Residence: Fairport, New York.

Corporal Ignatius J. Shusda, 36545834, Corps of Engineers, Company "B", 328th Engineer Combat Battalion, France, 26 December 1944. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

First Sergeant Eli D. Hart, 18030935, Corps of Engineers, Company "C", 328th Engineer Combat Battalion, France, 28 January 1945. Residence: Grapeland, Texas.

Private First Class Tom P. Irby, 34572665, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 384th Field Artillery Battalion, France, 18 February 1945. Residence: Avera, Georgia.

By command of Brigadier General PIERCE:

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RESUMPTION OF COLM AND -- The undersigned hereby resumes command of the
103d Infantry Division, United States Army.

A. C. McAuliffe
A. C. McAULIFFE,
Major General, United States Army

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

CAPTAIN ALFRED J. TORRANCE, 01296118, Infantry, Company "G", 410th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. During the period 23-24 January 1945, the enemy launched repeated strong attacks against Company "G" near * * *, France. CAPTAIN TORRANCE, informed that an approximate 400 yard gap existed between adjacent units and his company, dashed under fire into the enemy occupied town, located isolated elements of his company who were engaged with the enemy and led them back to his position across an open slope. He then personally shifted his men to close the dangerous gap. His men, inspired by his cool fearlessness under fire, held their position against a determined enemy, who during the action attempted to blast them out with direct fire from 12 self-propelled guns. CAPTAIN TORRANCE's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Easton, Pennsylvania.

II -- 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:

Private First Class Dennis D. Bellmore, 37567424, Infantry, Company "F", 410th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 25 January 1945, near * * *, France, the machine gun of Private Bellmore's squad jammed when the attacking enemy approached to within 50 yards of their position. Wounded by hostile fire, he ordered the gun crew to seek safety as he covered their withdrawal with pistol fire. Remaining alone and lying in an exposed position he succeeded in holding off the enemy, until he was fatally wounded by hostile automatic weapon fire. Private Bellmore's action, which enabled his squad to escape, reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Moorhead, Minnesota. Next of kin: Mrs. Hazel Bellmore, (Mother), Ogema, Minnesota.

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III -- AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded following named individual:

Technician Fourth Grade Martin B. Berkland, 37125016, Infantry, Company "E", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism displayed near * * *, France, on 19 December 1944. During the early morning hours an explosion set fire to a barn housing Company "E"'s kitchen personnel. Technician Berkland, on the outside of the barn, seeing a cook emerge from the building with his clothes aflame, tackled the man and succeeded in extinguishing the flames by rolling him on the ground. Despite serious burns received by this action, Technician Berkland ran into the flaming barn, aroused the other men, and then assisted in putting out the fire. Only then would he admit to medical attention. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Ringstead, Iowa.

IV -- 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:

Sergeant Wesley V. Wagner, 36287817, Infantry, Company "H", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the period 22 January to 31 January 1945, Sergeant Wagner, machine gun squad leader, displayed exemplary devotion to duty and outstanding perseverance in successfully maintaining a machine gun position 300 yards from the enemy in the vicinity of * * *, France. His position, covering a natural approach to Company "G", was constantly subjected to intense enemy sniper, automatic weapon, mortar, artillery, tank and self-propelled gun fire. At one time his position suffered four direct hits from enemy artillery fire, destroying rifles and equipment. Sergeant Wagner's heroic stand frustrated all enemy attempts through his position and reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Elk Horn, Wisconsin.

Private First Class Edward L. Meyers, 36186644, Infantry, Company "H", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 25 January 1945, in the vicinity of * * *, France, communication lines between the heavy machine gun section of Company "H" and the Command Post of Company "F" were severed by an intense concentration of enemy artillery. Private Meyers, ammunition bearer, realizing the vital necessity of uninterrupted communication, voluntarily worked his way a hundred yards under intense enemy sniper, and artillery fire successfully repairing a number of breaks along the line. Private Meyers' actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Lansing, Michigan.

CAPTAIN EARL C. HERTENSTEIN, JR., 01171589, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 928th Field Artillery Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 2 December 1944, in France. Residence: Versailles, Indiana.

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CAPTAIN JOHN M. GUTHRY, 01296022, Infantry, Company "E", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 11 January 1945, a numerically superior enemy launched a strong attack supported by mortars against Company "E", whose mission was to secure the town of * * *, France. CAPTAIN GUTHRY quickly and skillfully deployed his men into defensive positions on the outskirts of the town. Disregarding the heavy enemy fire, CAPTAIN GUTHRY exposed himself and moved from position to position encouraging his men and firing with them. His personal bravery, a source of inspiration to his entire command, reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Broken Bow, Nebraska.

Sergeant Glenn J. Slatky, 16106493, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On the night of 25 December 1944, during his patrol's withdrawal from * * *, France, Private Slatky, on his own initiative, remained behind to cover the withdrawal. When the enemy attempted to cut off the patrol, Private Slatky directed heavy and accurate fire into the hostile forces, repulsing them, and enabling the patrol to return safely. His heroic actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Kewaunee, Wisconsin.

CAPTAIN ROBERT E. BURNS, 01295750, Infantry, Company "M", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of * * *, France, CAPTAIN BURNS, with his company, was moving forward with the Third Battalion in the attack, when severe enemy machine gun fire directed on the rear of the column separated him and a few of his men from the remainder of the company. He organized his group, and directed accurate fire on the enemy emplacement, neutralizing it. He then reorganized his men into a covering force, enabling adjacent companies to rejoin the battalion. Locating his company, he led them forward and materially assisted in eliminating enemy resistance. His heroic actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Crookston, Minnesota.

Sergeant Eugene A. McClurg, 20910345, Infantry, Company "G", 409th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During a raid by Company "G" on the night of 8 February 1945 on * * *, France, Sergeant McClurg and his platoon were stopped by enemy machine gun fire as they approached the outskirts of town. Sergeant McClurg went forward alone, creeping and crawling 40 yards to a building from which the fire was coming. He approached a window, detected the enemy, and threw a hand grenade inside, knocking out the gun and killing the crew. His actions enabled the platoon to go forward to successfully complete its mission and were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Litch, California.

Private First Class George B. Siegrist, Jr., 37491567, (then Private), Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the night of 28 November 1944, the First Battalion, attacking * * *, France, received intense enemy automatic weapon fire and was ordered to withdraw to form new lines. Private Siegrist, scout, 800 yards in advance of his

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battalion did not receive the order and was pinned down by the intense fire. As he crawled past a stone wall on his return to the company, one of the enemy jumped toward him. With a quick thrust of his bayonet, Private Siegrist disposed of him. As he continued his withdrawal, he observed a wounded comrade lying in an exposed position. He dragged the wounded man over 300 yards to the safety of his company. Private Siegrist's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Hutchinson, Kansas.

V -- 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 individual:

Staff Sergeant Marion F. Weiskopf, 3705772B, Infantry, Company "E", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the night of 28 November 1944, Sergeant Weiskopf led a four man patrol to locate a hard surfaced road and a house in the vicinity of * * *, France. When he reached a point 50 yards from the house he was challenged by an enemy guard. As he ordered his men to seek cover, Sergeant Weiskopf was wounded and fell into a ditch where he exchanged fire with the enemy simultaneously shouting to his men to keep covered and withdraw. His heroic actions enabled his men to withdraw safely and reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Labadie, Missouri. Next of kin: Mrs. Carrie Weiskopf, (Mother), Labadie, Missouri.

VI -- 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 following named individual:

Private First Class Ira V. Knighton, 35552234, (then Private), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. During the period 19-20 December 1944, in the vicinity of * * *, Germany, Private Knighton, litter bearer, worked diligently and indefatigably in evacuating the wounded, over 1000 yards of mountainous and fire-swept terrain to the aid station. Dropping from sheer physical exhaustion after working for many hours, Private Knighton spurned rest or relief until all casualties had been evacuated. His actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Holland, Ohio.

By command of Major General McAULIFFE:

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

Staff Sergeant John A. Stats, 36829275, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "G", 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 18-19 December 1944, in the vicinity of * * *, Germany, Private Stats' platoon was given the mission of holding an area important to his company's defensive position. During a period of 14 hours, the enemy launched repeated counterattacks against the platoon, preceded by intense mortar and grenade barrages. As the enemy tried to move through Private Stats' isolated flank position, in an attempt to split the platoon, he stubbornly held his ground and beat off the repeated assaults with accurate fire. His valorous actions enabled the platoon to accomplish its mission and were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Stevens Point, Wisconsin.

II -- 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:

FIRST LIEUTENANT PAUL C. STEINRAUF, 01031762, Cavalry, 103d Reconnaissance Troop. For gallantry in action. During the night of 13 February 1945, LIEUTENANT STEINRAUF led a combat patrol into enemy held territory in the vicinity of * * *, France, with the mission of laying an ambush. When the patrol had advanced about 700 yards beyond the friendly outpost line it was pinned down by intense enemy cross fire from four machine guns. As LIEUTENANT STEINRAUF issued withdrawal orders, an intense mortar barrage blasted the area, seriously wounding him. Refusing to be evacuated he remained in an exposed position directing the withdrawal of his men until mortally wounded by enemy fire. LIEUTENANT STEINRAUF's self-sacrifice in saving the lives

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of members of his patrol reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Topeka, Kansas. Next of kin: Mrs. Marjorie W. Steinrauf, (Wife), 619 Lindenwood Avenue, Topeka, Kansas.

III -- 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 individual:

Private George Grunberg, 6934205, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, Special Troops, 103d Infantry Division. For heroism in action. On the night of 12 February 1945, in the vicinity of * * *, France, Private Grunberg, aid man, accompanied a combat patrol behind the enemy lines. In the course of the patrol's operations, several casualties were suffered. Without regard for his safety, Private Grunberg exposed himself to the enemy's fire, rendering efficient aid to the wounded man. He then made two trips along the hazardous route back to our lines, conducting the evacuation by litter of his more seriously wounded comrades. Private Grunberg's exemplary devotion to duty was in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Omaha, Nebraska.

IV -- 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 individual:

Technician Fifth Grade Alfred J. Barnes, 36715424, Cavalry, 103d Reconnaissance Troop. For heroism in action. During the night of 18 February 1945, Technician Barnes, member of a combat patrol, advanced into enemy held territory with the mission of laying an ambush. Technician Barnes acting as left flank guard was pinned to the ground by cross fire from four enemy machine guns as he advanced 700 yards past friendly outpost lines. Ordered to withdraw, Technician Barnes observing that the hostile fire was impeding the withdrawal, remained in position to engage the enemy. Intense enemy fire mortally wounded him as he fearlessly protected his comrades. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Chicago, Illinois. Next of kin: Mrs. Catherine Barnes, (Mother), 13219 Hudson Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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

FIRST LIEUTENANT THEODORE F. ERYSON, 0531827, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 383d Field Artillery Battalion, from 26 December 1944 to 14 February 1945, in Eastern France. Residence: Shreveport, Louisiana.

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

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 VI - AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL (Cont'd)

FIRST LIEUTENANT JAMES B. SCOLLIQ, O1180331, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 384th Field Artillery Battalion, from 29 January to 14 February 1945, in Eastern France. Residence: Los Angeles, California.

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

Sergeant Jimmie Workman, 34658740, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 29 November 1944. Residence: Cheraw, South Carolina.

VIII -- AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster to Purple Heart is awarded to following named individual for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

Sergeant Henry G. Piesch, Jr., 32868280, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 3 February 1945. Residence: Jamaica, New York.

By command of Major General McAULIFFE:

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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 Wilson Pearson, 34400774, Field Artillery, Company "A", 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion, France, 7 February 1945. Residence: Jacksonville, Florida.

Sergeant Yucca E. Basley, 38584133 (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "E", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 December 1944. Residence: Hugo, Oklahoma.

Private First Class David C. Sales, 42120458 (then Private), Infantry, Company "D", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 22 November 1944. Residence: Troy, New York.

Sergeant Ervin P. Safka, 36288454, Infantry, Company "I", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 11 January 1945. Residence: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Private First Class Roy A. Cluka, 37589151 (then Private), Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 20 December 1944. Residence: Fargo, North Dakota.

Sergeant Jack Kaiser, 33050565, Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 January 1945. Residence: Long Island, New York.

Staff Sergeant Cornelius J. Muilenburg, 37446155, Infantry, Company "D", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 December 1944. Residence: Melvin, Iowa.

Technical Sergeant Norbert R. Kuecker, 37400449 (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 27 November 1944. Residence: St. Louis, Missouri.

Private First Class Morito Moreno, 37541946, Infantry, Company "D", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 22 November 1944. Residence: Oslo, Minnesota.

Technical Sergeant Adam A. Auck, 6271854, Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 26 November 1944. Residence: Arcadia, Texas.

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Technician Fourth Grade Paul T. Campbell, 11A89410, Infantry, Service Company, 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 22 February 1945. Residence: Charlotte, North Carolina.

Private First Class Thomas J. Naves, 31430106 (then Private), Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 December 1944. Residence: Marlboro, Massachusetts.

Technical Sergeant Ervin C. Hartman, 36288867, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 December 1944. Residence: Medford, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade Burdette W. Sandberg, 36712986, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 928th Field Artillery Battalion, France, 25 February 1945. Residence: Miami, Florida.

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

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

Staff Sergeant Laverne Carlisle, 38522071, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "G", 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On the night of 18 December 1944 near * * *, Germany, the progress of Company "G", assigned the mission of securing the regiment's left flank, was impeded by heavy fire. Under intense enemy fire, Sergeant Carlisle crawled twenty yards, killed two enemy snipers, continued on, took over an abandoned enemy machine gun and directed fire on hostile positions, enabling the company to accomplish its mission. Sergeant Carlisle's valorous actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Mansfield, Louisiana.

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SECOND LIEUTENANT SEBASTIAN R. GENOVESE, 0470274, Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. During the night of 18 January 1945, in the vicinity of * * *, France, Company "C" was cut off and surrounded by the enemy. In the fierce fighting that ensued, casualties mounted and ammunition ran low. LIEUTENANT GENOVESE, second in command, cognizant of the emergency, skillfully maneuvered his way through the enemy lines four times during the night, evacuating the wounded safely through the enemy fire to the battalion aid station and returning to his company with vitally needed ammunition. On his fourth return trip he was seriously wounded. LIEUTENANT GENOVESE's exemplary devotion to duty was in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Bronx, New York.

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:

Corporal Earl H. Byrd, 34671823, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On the night of 18 and the morning of 19 December 1944, during an attack by Company "G", near * * *, Germany, Corporal Byrd voluntarily took over the duties of an aid man.

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Throughout this period, despite small arms and mortar fire, Corporal Byrd moved from one captured pillbox to another then being used as temporary collecting stations, to treat the wounded, and move them to safety. Corporal Byrd's actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Dunn, North Carolina.

Private First Class Thomas N. Horton, Jr., 19187030, Infantry, Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During a night raid on * * *, France, on 3 February 1945, Private Horton accompanied the first assault squad whose mission was to secure two buildings in the company's right sector. As the group approached the building they were pinned down by intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire. Private Horton, fully cognizant that the building had to be cleared for the successful advance of his company, dashed through the enemy fire and threw hand grenades through a window of the building. He succeeded in killing one of the enemy and clearing the hostile strongpoint of the remainder. Private Horton's heroic actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Oakland, California.

Staff Sergeant Edgar M. Crowe, 34169526, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During a night raid on * * *, France, on 3 February 1945 Company "C" suffered heavy casualties as an enemy artillery concentration blasted the area. Sergeant Crowe, squad leader, took over the duties of his wounded platoon sergeant, and led the depleted platoon in an attack upon a barn containing 10 heavily armed enemy. In the fierce hand to hand engagement that followed he personally bayoneted two of the enemy and assisted in the capturing of four. Although wounded, Sergeant Crowe displayed outstanding valor in neutralizing an enemy strongpoint and his actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Prattville, Alabama.

Staff Sergeant John W. Van Horn, 35221745, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the night of 3 February 1945, in a raid on * * *, France, intense fire from an enemy automatic weapon halted the progress of Sergeant Van Horn's company. Realizing that protecting buildings prevented reaching the weapon from the flanks, Sergeant Van Horn, in the face of the enemy fire, skillfully made his way into a building 30 yards from the enemy position and although in full view of the enemy, he leaned from a window and neutralized the hostile weapon with a rifle grenade. Sergeant Van Horn's action was in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Conover, Ohio.

SECOND LIEUTENANT STANLEY K. SIEGENTHALER, 01061859, Infantry, Company "K", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the night of 12 January 1945, LIEUTENANT SIEGENTHALER, Battalion 8-2, led a four man patrol into * * *, France, seeking vital information which previous patrols had failed to obtain. Overcoming wire obstacles enroute, he reached the town, divided his patrol and personally led two of his men through the local houses. Detected and fired upon by the enemy, LIEUTENANT SIEGENTHALER ordered his patrol to withdraw and two men safely returned with vital information upon

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which a future successful operation was based. LIEUTENANT SIEGENTHALER was found wounded and in a semi-conscious state the next morning in the midst of an enemy mine field and although unable to speak successfully directed his own evacuation. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Spokane, Washington.

Private First Class Marvin W. Champine, 36548543, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 25 January 1945, Private Champine, litter bearer, accompanied attacking infantry elements in an assault on * * *, France. Initial elements met stiff enemy resistance and a severe concentration of hostile machine gun and mortar fire, inflicted heavy casualties. Private Champine, observing the wounded lying in positions exposed to further enemy fire, repeatedly crossed the fire-swept terrain and carried the wounded to safety. Private Champine's heroic actions inspired the men about him and reflected the highest traditions of the military service.. Residence: Grosse Pointe, Michigan.

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 the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to following named individual:

Staff sergeant John T. Shaefer, 6938924, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During the daylight hours of 25 January 1945, Sergeant Shaefer, litter section leader, accompanied attacking infantry elements in an assault on * * *, France. As the assault group approached the town it was pinned down by intense enemy cross-fire, suffering many casualties. Sergeant Shaefer, cognizant that the condition of the casualties, lying in deep snow, necessitated immediate evacuation, drove his litter vehicle repeatedly into the fire-swept area to evacuate the wounded. Sergeant Shaefer's heroic actions saved the lives of many wounded comrades and reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Redwood City, California.

IV -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, AMENDMENT. So much of Section III, General Orders Number 60, this headquarters, dated 16 February 1945, as pertains to Private First Class Curtis R. Schaeffer, 37500500, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment, as reads "Award of Bronze Star Medal", is amended to read "Award of Oak-Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal".

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