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**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:

Corporal John H. Lancaster, 36441516, Infantry, Company "D", 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 15 March 1945 near Hieder-Schlettenbach, Germany, when a radio operator was wounded during an attack, Corporal Lancaster, Instrument Corporal, although wounded himself, secured the radio and advanced through artillery and sniper fire to an exposed position where he contacted a rifle company. After directing mortar fire and neutralizing an enemy strong-point, he continued to maintain contact until he was killed by enemy mortar fire. Corporal Lancaster's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Bloomington, Illinois. Next of kin: Mrs. Josephine Lancaster (Mother), 1602 1/2 North Fell Avenue, Bloomington, Illinois.

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

Sergeant Charles E. Atkinson, 17169934, Infantry, Company "G", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy. On 9 June 1945 in Sautens, Austria. Sergeant Atkinson, seeing a young boy in a runaway wagon heading toward a group of soldiers in a narrow street, disregarded his personal safety and threw himself in the path of the charging horse. After being dragged 20 yards and severely injuring his shoulder, he successfully halted the horse, saving the occupant of the wagon and a number of soldiers from being severely injured. Residence: Washington, Iowa.

**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 individuals:

Private First Class Phillip C. Torrey, 33790020, Infantry, Company "H", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 30 November 1944 near Nothalten, France, when his squad suffered several casualties from a heavy mortar barrage, Private Torrey dashed to the aid of a comrade who had been wounded in the neck. Exposing himself, Private Torrey shielded the casualty and staunch the flow of blood from a severed jugular vein until professional medical attention could be given. Then directing the remainder of the squad to

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withdraw and reorganize, he crawled forward and manned the heavy machine gun alone, placing effective fire into enemy positions. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

First Sergeant Clifton Hooker, 6270789, Infantry, Company "H", 410th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 2 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Sulphur Springs, Texas.

SECOND LIEUTENANT DAVID B. WISLER, III, 0554196, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 392d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945 near Uttenhoffen, France, when an infantry company was pinned down by machine gun and sniper fire, LIEUTENANT WISLER crawled forward of advance infantry elements to a position from which to direct artillery fire. Completely exposed to the enemy he directed artillery fire which enabled the infantry to reorganize and resume the advance after having been driven back by enemy attacks. Once again he moved forward under direct fire to set up an OP and subjected the enemy with effective artillery barrages. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Lakeland, Florida.

Private First Class John E. Quinn, 15358811, Infantry, Company "I", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 29 January 1945 during a night raid on Nieffern, France, when two casualties were sustained, Private Quinn proceeded forward firing as he crawled and crept. Reaching the side of one casualty, and disregarding the enemy fire, Private Quinn improvised a litter, dragging his comrade to safety, from where he was successfully evacuated. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Cleveland, Ohio.

Technical Sergeant Donald W. Calfee, 6289960, Infantry, Company "I", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 25 November 1944 near Ville, France, when a counterattack, supported by machine gun, artillery, mortar and small arms fire, forced Company "I", 410th Infantry to withdraw, Sergeant Calfee immediately started to cover the withdrawal. He exposed himself to the enemy fire to personally place each weapon where it could deliver the most effective fire. After placing his weapons he returned 600 yards over fire swept terrain, organized two squads that had been pinned down by enemy fire, and in the ensuing action was instrumental in the capture of nine of the enemy. His outstanding leadership reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Wallis, Texas.

Technical Sergeant James S. Kerns, 34492936, Infantry, Company "I", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945 after Sergeant Kern's platoon had overcome initial resistance and entered Engwiller, France, it was halted by machine gun fire. Organizing a defense he crossed a fire-swept street to locate the enemy emplacement. Locating a machine gun crew in the act of displacing to a new position, he opened fire with his carbine, killing two of the enemy and forcing the remainder to withdraw. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Rockwood, Tennessee.

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Private First Class Jack P. Thilo, 36410492, Infantry, Company "I", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 29 November 1944 near Ville, France, when a rifle company was forced to withdraw and an ammunition shortage developed, Private Thilo volunteered to deliver a vehicle loaded with ammunition to the company. Driving over a road under fire and direct observation of the enemy he continued on until his vehicle became stuck in the mud. He immediately unloaded and assisted in distributing the ammunition, then freeing the vehicle he loaded a wounded man on his truck and drove him to safety. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Ypsilanti, Michigan.

Corporal John W. McCormick, 20148233, Infantry, Company "H", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 23 April 1945 during the fight for Brekenbrechtsweller, Germany, Corporal McCormick, hearing a noise in a house where the machine gun section was located, volunteered to determine the source of the noise. Crawling out onto the roof of the building he discovered an enemy soldier attempting to set fire to the house. Disregarding small arms and machine gun fire, Corporal McCormick forced the enemy soldier to crawl across the roof in front of him and into the house where valuable information relative to the strength of the enemy was gained. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: South Portland, Maine.

Private First Class Donald Y. Edwards, 37466374, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 22 March 1945 near Bobenthal, Germany, when forward companies requested additional maps, Private Edwards drove forward, but found the roads impassable. Dismounting, he advanced on foot 2500 yards over mountainous terrain under constant artillery, mortar and rocket fire to deliver the maps. Given another mission of reconnoitering a supply route, he came upon a fully manned and camouflaged machine gun immediately to his front. Dashing forward, he captured four of the enemy, and then, taking them to the rear, continued on his mission. Private Edwards' actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Ord, Nebraska.

Private First Class Tony Pavano, 1325784, Infantry, Company "E", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 21 April 1945 when Company "K", 411th Infantry was halted by enemy machine gun fire during an attack on Hegerlohes, Germany, two reconnaissance cars were sent forward, but were also stopped by the hostile fire. Private Pavano climbed aboard one of the vehicles and, although exposed to machine gun and bazooka fire, shouted fire directions and pointed enemy positions to the car commander until the emplacements were silenced. Private Pavano's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Plainville, Connecticut.

Sergeant John Stromberg, Jr., 36550516, Infantry, Company "K", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 16 November 1944 near Les Mortiers, France, when Company "K", 411th Infantry, attacking across an open field, was held up by machine gun, mortar and artillery fire, Sergeant Stromberg, observing two men wounded, lying approximately 200 yards ahead of the company, dashed over

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the open field and dragged the casualties 75 yards to partial cover. Despite the continued fire, he administered aid and then, carrying one man at a time, evacuated them 300 yards to safety. Sergeant Stromberg's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Edward J. Zaorski, 36716083, (then Private), Infantry, Company "H", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 13 December 1944, Sergeant Zaorski was scouting for a suitable location for his mortars during a column attack near North, France, when he observed a group of men in the rear of the column pinned down by grazing fire from a machine gun to his right. Advancing to the group and discovering the soldiers were aid men, he made his way through the hostile fire to a bogged tank and informed the crew of the situation. Then crawling closer to the hostile position, he directed the tank fire by hand and arm signals until the machine gun was silenced. Sergeant Zaorski's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Technical Sergeant Robert E. Zalud, 36616762, Medical Department, Headquarters Detachment, 328th Medical Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Sergeant Brossie A. Dantone, 36632111, (then Technician Fifth Grade), Infantry, Company "K", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 24 April 1945 when his platoon, leading the attack on Honsau, Germany was subjected to hostile fire from a cliff on his left and a castle on the right, Sergeant Dantone voluntarily advanced to reconnoiter a route of approach into the town. Locating a drainage ditch which offered partial concealment, he returned to the platoon and, securing a radio, directed mortar fire until the enemy opposition was somewhat reduced. He then led the men along the ditch and up the streets to successfully take the town. Sergeant Dantone's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Clarksdale, Mississippi.

Sergeant Martin J. McGuire, Jr., 31229850, Infantry, Company "D", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 15 March 1945 near Engwiller, France, when a rifle company and elements of his own company met resistance, Sergeant McGuire, accompanied by two men, advanced to secure the company's left flank. Pinned down by fire from several emplacements and a pillbox, Sergeant McGuire deployed his men and knocked out two emplacements, killing and capturing 30 of the enemy. Then occupying the two positions, he and his men directed fire into the slits of the pillbox, knocking it out and causing many of the enemy in the vicinity to surrender. When Sergeant McGuire completed his mission, the three man patrol had killed 11 of the enemy and captured 60. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Dorchester, Massachusetts.

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Master Sergeant Jack Ditto, 34275456, Medical Department, Headquarters Detachment, 328th Medical Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Greenwood, Mississippi.

Private First Class William J. Montgomery, 33940954, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 17 March 1945 near Nehwiller, France, when his company was momentarily held up by small arms and mortar fire from a wooded area, Private Montgomery, rifleman, dashed across an open field and, entering the woods, killed a three-man machine gun crew. Continuing on, he overran a mortar position, killing two more of the enemy. Private Montgomery's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Richard P. Reberger, 35902016, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 17 December 1944 near Bobenthal, Germany, when Company "C", 411th Infantry was subjected to machine gun and mortar fire from enemy pillboxes, the company commander was unable to contact the battalion commander by radio for orders. Disregarding the intense fire, Private Reberger, company messenger, crossed 300 yards of fire-swept terrain to the battalion command post and, receiving a message, returned to guide the company to concealed positions. Private Reberger's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Indianapolis, Indiana.

FIRST LIEUTENANT JOHN A. LOFGREN, 0545586, Infantry, Company "D", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 25 January 1945, LIEUTENANT LOFGREN was advancing with lead scouts during an attack on Schillersdorf, France to select positions for his heavy machine gun section, when he was pinned down by machine gun fire. Although wounded in the shoulder by sniper fire, he continued on to reconnoiter positions. Then returning to his men, he led the platoon to positions he had chosen before permitting himself to be evacuated. LIEUTENANT LOFGREN's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Private First Class James A. O'Neal, 33132178, Infantry, Company "H", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 22 January 1945 near Rothbach, France, Private O'Neal, on several occasions exposed himself to enemy small arms fire to repair wire essential to communications when mortar fire was needed to repulse a heavy enemy attack. Although snipers fired at him, he never faltered or hesitated in his work until he had successfully completed the repair of the wire. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Norfolk, Virginia.

Technical Sergeant John H. Low, 17169412, Infantry, Company "H", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 22 April 1945 when the enemy counterattacked in Erkenbrechtswiller, Germany, Sergeant Low, disregarding rocket fire, reconnoitered for the most advantageous placement of his gun, and then led each squad into position. As the fury of the attack increased, Sergeant

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Low, despite small arms and machine gun fire, moved from gun to gun, encouraging the men and redistributing the dwindling ammunition. All night long he crawled from position to position maintaining contact and directing the evacuation of the wounded. His aggressive actions, which enabled his platoon to maintain its position, reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Sloan, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant Duncan A. Ferguson, 37541862, Infantry, Company "A", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945 near Utterhoffen, France, when his company was forced to withdraw under intense artillery, tank, automatic weapon and small arms fire and suffered several casualties, Sergeant Ferguson, receiving permission to search for casualties returned to the fire-swept area. Locating one of the casualties, he carried the wounded man 1000 yards to the aid station and then reported back to his platoon. Sergeant Ferguson's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Larishore, Minnesota.

First Sergeant Edward J. Smith, 34571924, Infantry, Service Company, 411th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Rome, Georgia.

Private First Class Vernon W. Thompson, 37246113, Medical Department, Company "A", 328th Medical Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 1 December 1944 near Solestat, France, Private Thompson, ambulance driver, learning that several casualties were in need of immediate evacuation, drove his ambulance forward until it stalled in the middle of a stream. Despite direct sniper fire, he remained with his ambulance and directed the evacuation of the wounded. He stayed until his ambulance was towed from the stream. Returning to the stream, he directed the evacuation of six more wounded men while under mortar fire. Private Thompson's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Topeka, Kansas.

Private First Class Moul E. Armstrong, 36548021, Medical Department, Company "A", 328th Medical Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 1 December 1944 near Solestat, France, Private Armstrong, ambulance driver, learning that several casualties were in need of immediate evacuation, drove his ambulance forward until it stalled in the middle of a stream. Despite direct sniper fire, he remained with his ambulance and directed the evacuation of the wounded. He stayed until his ambulance was towed from the stream. Returning to the stream, he directed the evacuation of six more wounded men while under mortar fire. Private Armstrong's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Hazel Park, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Benjamin H. Allen, Jr., 37402116, Infantry, Company "I", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 23 April 1945 near Schlattstall, Germany, when a platoon and his machine gun section encountered small arms and automatic weapon fire, Sergeant Allen placed one squad to cover a crest of a mountain and ran down a road to place his other squad into an effective position.

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Sergeant Allen, disregarding the enemy fire, personally manned a machine gun and silenced two enemy machine guns enabling the platoon to withdraw with a minimum of casualties. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Potosi, Missouri.

Private First Class Bernard D. Bobbitt, 35313770, Infantry, Company "H", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 24 January 1945 near Bischholtz, France, when mortar and artillery fire covered communication lines between the battalion CP and rifle companies, Private Bobbitt on his own initiative braved the enemy barrage to repair the wire. Making many splices he maintained a constant watch on the wire to insure uninterrupted communications. His devotion to duty reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Washington, Indiana.

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

AWARD OF SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

Technician Fourth Grade Kenneth E. Braborski, 16151860, (then Technician Fifth Grade), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 10 December 1944, near Gundershoffen, France, when machine gun and artillery fire inflicted numerous casualties on Company "F", 411th Infantry, Technician Grabowski, attached aid man, crawled 50 yards through the hostile fire to a wounded comrade, administering aid, and dragging him 50 yards to safety. Then exposing himself again, he carried another casualty to safety. Technician Grabowski's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Eastland, Michigan.

AWARD OF FIRST OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

CAPTAIN JAMES C. ELLIS, 0385030, Infantry, Headquarters, Third Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 21 April 1945 near Scherndorf, Germany, when the Third Battalion, 411th Infantry encountered heavy enemy resistance, CAPTAIN ELLIS, Battalion S-3, moved forward under sniper, mortar and machine gun fire to contact a rifle company commander. Informing him of the location of the enemy machine gun emplacements, CAPTAIN ELLIS led the battalion in the attack. The men inspired by his leadership killed several of the enemy, took 40 prisoners and captured the town of Scherndorf. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Collins, Illinois.

FIRST LIEUTENANT ARTHUR P. RITCHEY, 01091342, (then SECOND LIEUTENANT), Infantry, Company "K", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 21 March 1945 near Bobenthal, Germany, when two platoons were halted and suffered heavy casualties from machine gun fire coming from a pillbox, LIEUTENANT RITCHEY was ordered to move his machine gun section to cover the withdrawal of the platoon. Despite machine gun fire, he dashed up a hill to contact the two

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platoons to inform them of the order for withdrawal. Upon reaching the platoons and finding them disorganized, he immediately reorganized and led them to a position where they could set up a defense. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Kilgore, Texas.

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I -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy is awarded to following individuals:

CAPTAIN HERBERT J. WISSEL, 01105277, Corps of Engineers, Company "C", 328th Engineer Combat Battalion, from 11 November 1944 to 5 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Cincinnati, Ohio.

Sergeant Porter E. Milley, 36546065, Infantry, Headquarters Company Second Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment, from 16 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Master Sergeant Verle V. Miller, 37446068, Infantry, Service Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, from 16 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Des Moines, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant Marion H. Grant, 34200722, Infantry, Service Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, from 16 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Finetta, Florida.

SECOND LIEUTENANT CLAYTON YEMER, 02010662, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Headquarters, 411th Infantry Regiment, from 15 November 1944 to 16 March 1945 in France and Germany. Residence: Omaha, Nebraska.

CAPTAIN MAURICE K. WILLIAMS, 01316475, Corps of Engineers, Company "B", 328th Engineer Combat Battalion, from 11 November 1944 to 5 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Elizaville, Kentucky.

CAPTAIN CLARENCE C. YOUNG, 0530121, Infantry, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 15 March to 4 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Lovelock, Nevada.

Staff Sergeant Thomas J. Applegate, 39003220, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment, from 11 November 1944 to 4 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Dallas, Texas.

FIRST LIEUTENANT HOUSTON T. EDDY, 0520660, Infantry, Headquarters, 103d Infantry Division, from 15 March to 4 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Birmingham, Alabama.

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Technician Fourth Grade Ralph L. Mueller, 37327353, Infantry, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 15 January to 4 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Master Sergeant Peter E. Serino, 32340007, Infantry, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 9 November 1944 to 4 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Brooklyn, New York.

Sergeant John W. Wiedziadek, 15059647, Infantry, Cannon Company, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: South Bend, Indiana.

MAJOR EDWARD G. SION, 0423581, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Shenandoah, Pennsylvania.

First Sergeant John F. Fangle, 6392939, Infantry, Cannon Company, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Charlotte, North Carolina.

CAPTAIN ROBERT T. POSTER, 01322325, Infantry, Cannon Company, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Jackson Heights, New York.

CAPTAIN GORDON P. REVINE, 01296085, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Dillsboro, Indiana.

Sergeant Robert H. Roy, 36621503, Medical Department, Company "D", 328th Medical Battalion, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: New York, New York.

First Sergeant Samuel H. Scruggs, 6544814, Infantry, Company "L", 411th Infantry Regiment, from 16 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Bell, California.

Technician Fifth Grade George M. Phair, 36200395, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment, from 16 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Marinette, Wisconsin.

Private First Class Eldon L. Hughes, 33197639, Chemical Warfare Service, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Washington, D. C.

FIRST LIEUTENANT JOHN L. BOYD, 01036016, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "C", 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 13 April 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Massillon, Ohio.



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Private First Class William F. Bailey, 33335539, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "B", 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Corporal Raymond S. Dagan, Jr., 13124672, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "B", 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class James C. Smith, 34578016, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "B", (then Company "A"), 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Atlanta, Georgia.

Private First Class Martin J. Fearick, 32402181, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "B", 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: New York, New York.

Sergeant Alex Kimble, 35746272, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "C", 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 1 May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Morgantown, West Virginia.

Sergeant John R. Harris, Jr., 38089467, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "C", 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 1 May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Winchester City, Virginia.

Private First Class Harry Harper, 34443019, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "B", 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Newborn, Georgia.

Private First Class Coy E. Carter, 34371662, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "B", 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Westmoreland, Tennessee.

Sergeant Ralph B. Hampton, 34370717, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "C", 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 1 May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Corporal Frank Boduck, 36567508, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "B", 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 9 November 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class Willard L. Berry, 39335248, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "B", 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 13 April 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Coquille, Oregon.

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Sergeant Samuel M. Bundy, Jr., 32271493, Chemical Warfare Service, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, (then Company "A"), 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Frank G. Anderson, 35610637, Chemical Warfare Service, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 20 November 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Newton Falls, Ohio.

Private First Class Byron L. Frederick, 35554667, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "B", 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 8 December 1943 to 24 May 1944 in Italy. Residence: Bloomsdale, Ohio.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL ROBERT L. CROUCH, JR., 0452351, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment, from 16 November 1944 to 6 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Decher, Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant Thomas J. Srokoos, Jr., 32139740, Infantry, Company "D", 411th Infantry Regiment, from 18 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Rochester, New York.

WARRANT OFFICER (Jg) JAMES C. BRADFORD, W2108658, United States Army, Service Company, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: New Castle, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Harry M. McHirt, 33157299, Infantry, Service Company, 410th Infantry Regiment, on 21 - 22 January 1945 near Motesheim, France. Residence: Fredericksburg, Virginia.

FIRST LIEUTENANT HARRY E. ABENDROTH, 01295475, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, from 16 November 1944 to 6 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Appleton, Wisconsin.

First Sergeant Donald J. Ohlendorf, 37039582, Medical Department, Company "C", 328th Medical Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Ransen, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant Melbourne L. Jolliff, 37243549, Infantry, Service Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, from 16 November 1944 to 6 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Springfield, Missouri.

Technical Sergeant George E. DeBoer, 35715076, Medical Department, Headquarters Detachment, 328th Medical Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Samuel K. Garp, 34496123, Medical Department, Company "C", 328th Medical Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Nashville, Tennessee.

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I. --AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, (CONT'D)

First Sergeant Herbert J. Kelmahon, 6255829, Medical Department, Company "A", 328th Medical Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: San Antonio, Texas.

Private First Class Francis J. Turk, 15338867, Infantry, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 15 March to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Cleveland, Ohio.

Private First Class Bertram W. Sanders, 32982454, Infantry, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 15 March to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: New York, New York.

Private First Class Glenn C. Marshall, 16202443, Infantry, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 15 March to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Elco, Texas.

Private First Class William J. Barker, 37709457, Infantry, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 15 March to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Englewood, Colorado.

Sergeant Barney Snetshear, 37447313, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Prairie City, Iowa.

Technical Sergeant James J. Hillis, 32336789, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Staten Island, New York.

Technical Sergeant James L. Patton, 38035034, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Winters, Texas.

SECOND LIEUTENANT WILLIAM RITTMANN, 95551A8, Army of the United States, Military Intelligence Service, United States Forces, European Theater, from 7 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Brooklyn, New York.

Staff Sergeant Roy W. Stockwell, 37239356, Infantry, Service Company, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Memphis, Tennessee.

Sergeant Robert J. Ramory, 37466635, Medical Department, Company "C", 328th Medical Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Halsey, Nebraska.

Technical Sergeant Lawrence Sublett, 695433, Medical Department, Headquarters Detachment, 328th Medical Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Paris, Texas.

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Staff Sergeant Roland D. Johnson, 37465523, Medical Department, Headquarters Detachment, 328th Medical Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Mitchell, South Dakota.

Technical Sergeant Joseph E. Picotte, 36711995, Medical Department, Headquarters Detachment, 328th Medical Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Calumet, Michigan.

SECOND LIEUTENANT ROBERT C. NORDHAUSEN, 0550410, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Mount Vernon, New York.

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

Private First Class Michael B. Mauch, 37744521, Infantry, Company "B", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 December 1944. Residence: Kansas City, Missouri.

Sergeant William A. Waltham, 33550435, Infantry, Company "B", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 21 March 1945. Residence: Towson, Maryland.

Technician Fourth Grade Ival E. Paulson, 36550479, Infantry, Service Company, 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 24 November 1944. Residence: Holly, Michigan.

Private First Class Jay D. Smith, 39028136, Infantry, Company "A", 409th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 March 1945. Residence: Price, Utah.

Technical Sergeant Ralph G. Swallow, 38049509, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 March 1945. Residence: Greenville, Texas.

Private First Class Harold W. Capehart, 36384431, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 22 March 1945. Residence: DeKalb, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Clarence M. Dahlberg, 37273772, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment, Luxembourg, 29 December 1944. Residence: Starbuck, Minnesota.

Sergeant Lloyd H. Fletcher, 37246488, Infantry, Company "D", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 February 1945. Residence: Brockfield, Missouri.

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

FIRST LIEUTENANT JOSEPH T. BARBER, O1310205, Infantry, Company "C", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 February 1945. Residence: Trenton, New Jersey.

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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:

Staff Sergeant Robert M. Hough, 36412938, Infantry, Company "H", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 23 April 1945, near Bettingen, Germany, when a rifle company was forced to withdraw to reorganize, Sergeant Hough, acting platoon leader of the machine gun platoon, selected positions and ordered his platoon to cover the withdrawal of the rifle company. This accomplished, Sergeant Hough moved to a more advantageous position with the receiver of one of the heavy machine guns and, using the forks of a small tree as an improvised mount for the gun, covered the withdrawal of his own platoon. Only when all of his men had reached safety did he, himself, withdraw. Sergeant Hough's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Grand Lodge, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade Joseph C. Kolb, 36406749, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. During an attack on Bessenheim, France, on 19 January 1945, as a result of poor visibility Company "L" was being fired upon by friendly tanks. Technician Kolb, radio operator, refusing to take cover in a pillbox, remained completely exposed to hostile and friendly fire to get clearer reception on his radio. He then contacted the friendly tanks and had them lift their fire and then directed their fire on the enemy. Remaining at his exposed position, he continued to relay to attacking units vital information which enabled the battalion to continue the attack. Technician Kolb's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Edmond, Oklahoma.

Private First Class Howard R. Clement, 36822948, Infantry, Company "P", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 10 December 1944, near Forstheim, France, when a 20mm antiaircraft gun and machine gun held up our advance, Private Clement, mortar gunner, set up his mortar under enemy observation and fired in an exposed position. Making his own range and deflection estimations, he made a direct hit on the enemy target and also on the supporting machine gun, killing two and forcing the remaining nine members of the crew to surrender. As a result of the speed with which Private Clement eliminated the enemy strongpoint, our forces were able to continue and take their objective without further resistance and with minimum casualties. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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Private First Class James A. Farley, 32855078, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 24 April 1945, near Munsingen, Germany, when friendly fire fell on the troops of the Third Battalion, 411th Infantry, Private Farley voluntarily accompanied a motorized patrol to establish communications to lift the fire. Enroute, when the patrol was fired on by the enemy, Private Farley dismounted from his vehicle, ran through the hostile fire and began firing into the enemy position. Disregarding small arms and automatic weapons fire, he remained exposed and killed two of the enemy and wounded the third. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Albany, New York.

Private First Class Melvin C. Gunderson, 37590887, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, (then Company "G"), 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 11 January 1945, near Ottingen, France, when enemy opposition forced initial attacking elements to withdraw, Private Gunderson, in the process of the move back, observed a wounded soldier. Although the enemy was approaching from behind, he quickly administered first aid and then took a guard position over the wounded man. After fighting off an enemy patrol, he succeeded in calling some aid men who were able to evacuate the wounded man. Private Gunderson's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Brookings, South Dakota.

Private First Class Leo Sielski, 36553769, Infantry, Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 20 March 1945, near Nieder Schlettenbach, Germany, Private Sielski, company runner, advanced through enemy fire to deliver an urgent message to an outlying battalion group. On the return trip, he observed four of his comrades wounded by an enemy artillery barrage. Disregarding the intense fire, he dashed to the wounded men and made four trips across fire-swept terrain to carry them to an aid station. Private Sielski's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Bay City, Michigan.

Sergeant Ray C. Haws, 18231210, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "E", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 25 November 1945, near Maisengoutte, France, when his company was pinned down by intense enemy fire, Sergeant Haws, lead scout, observing an enemy machine gun nest as the source of fire, crawled to a position within 25 yards of the hostile emplacement. Succeeding in killing one of the crew and wounding another with his rifle, he then dashed forward and throwing a grenade, killed the third soldier and knocked out the gun. Sergeant Haws' actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Lufkin, Texas.

CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER HAROLD L. HUBBSLI, #2109660, United States Army, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 30 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Bayside, Texas.

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Technician Fifth Grade William A. Sexton, 16084989, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 21 March 1945, near Sobenthal, Germany, Technician Sexton was assisting in the steady flow of wounded coming in the aid station when it suffered a direct artillery hit. Although momentarily stunned, Technician Sexton worked in the debris to help extricate the wounded. Not until all the wounded had been safely removed from the building did Technician Sexton seek cover for himself from the continuing artillery fire. Technician Sexton's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Bellaire, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant James M. Carter, 36288781, Infantry, Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 10 December 1944, near Greisbach, France, when his company was pinned down by intense enemy fire, Sergeant Carter, observing a wounded comrade lying exposed to enemy fire, crawled from cover over 75 yards of fire swept terrain to the side of the wounded man. He then carried the wounded man to safety where aid was administered. On two more occasions he advanced through enemy fire to carry wounded to safety. Sergeant Carter's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Black River Falls, Wisconsin.

Sergeant Thomas E. Wariner, 38397359, Infantry, Company "I", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 25 January 1945, in the vicinity of Nieffern, France, Sergeant Wariner, assistant squad leader, while holding a position on the MLR was subjected to an intense barrage of enemy fire. Observing a wounded comrade lying in the open terrain, he deployed two riflemen as a covering force, left his position of cover and reached the wounded man. He continued to hold the enemy at bay and directed the evacuation of the wounded man to safety. Sergeant Wariner's actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Amber, Oklahoma.

Sergeant Willis H. Rock, 39677112, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 29 November 1944 near Kothalten, France, Sergeant Rock voluntarily took charge of a litter squad to evacuate casualties. During one of his trips, the forward aid station was overrun by enemy tanks and infantry, blocking the evacuation route. By skillful and vigorous action Sergeant Rock maneuvered his litter team through the infiltrating enemy, and remained with a casualty all night until rescued by friendly troops. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Salt Lake City, Utah.

Private First Class James F. White, 36507835, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945, near Argwiller, France, Private White on several occasions exposed himself to mortar fire to administer aid and evacuate the wounded. On 16 March 1945, he led litter teams, many times, across a river to evacuate the casualties sustained near Gundershoffen, France. Disregarding constant mortar and artillery fire which inflicted casualties on his litter teams, he worked for a period of twelve hours without rest, personally leading the men. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence, Detroit, Michigan.

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Technical Sergeant Paul A. Paulson, 36288654, Infantry, Company "K", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 15 March 1945 during a raid on Nieffern, France, Sergeant Paulson, having completed his mission, ordered the withdrawal of his squad. During the withdrawal, one of his men stepped on a mine, and was seriously wounded. Sergeant Paulson quickly went to the man's aid and with the covering of an automatic rifleman, proceeded to carry the man to safety. The enemy opened up with an intense barrage, killing the automatic rifleman and wounding Sergeant Paulson. Fltering for a moment, he carried the wounded man through the fire to safety. Sergeant Paulson's actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Clear Lake, Wisconsin.

SECOND LIEUTENANT CHARLES J. KOEHLER, 02005958, Infantry, Company "K", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 22 March 1945, in the vicinity of Erlsbach, Germany, LIEUTENANT KOEHLER, platoon leader, observed the assault platoon pinned down as they attempted to storm an enemy pillbox. Skillfully leading his men in a flanking attack, LIEUTENANT KOEHLER, although under severe enemy fire enabled his men to deploy into strategic positions for firing into the pillbox. The emplacement was knocked out and the company was able to continue successfully in the attack. LIEUTENANT KOEHLER's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Sergeant Royal L. Friedlander, 32087602, (then Technician Fifth Grade), Infantry, Company "H", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 17 December 1944, near Bobenthal, Germany, Sergeant Friedlander's platoon was supporting Company "G", 411th Infantry, when many casualties were suffered and Company "G" called for litter bearers. Improvising a litter, Sergeant Friedlander crawled 200 yards through intense enemy fire to evacuate a wounded man in need of immediate medical attention. Sergeant Friedlander continued to evacuate the wounded until all of the seriously wounded had received medical attention. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Bronx, New York.

Staff Sergeant Louis A. Lipoglav, 37246523, (then Corporal), Infantry, Company "H", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. When his company was pinned down and vital communications between battalion and mortar sections were severed on 28 December 1944, near Oettingen, France, Sergeant Lipoglav repaired the breaks in the wire. Then going to the head of the column he established an observation post, and although under direct observation of the enemy and without cover, he directed mortar fire into the enemy installation until the enemy's observation point was eliminated. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Mulberry, Kansas.

Technician Fifth Grade Michael G. Spaliaras, 35167103, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 30 November 1944, near Barr, France, Technician Spaliaras, jeep driver, volunteered to drive a tank commander through an enemy held town to contact his tanks. Snipers' bullets pierced the jeep, but Technician Spaliaras continued on his mission, and contacted the tanks. As a result, the tank commander was able to eliminate an enemy strong point, holding up the advance of the infantry. Technician Spaliaras's actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Gary, Indiana.

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Private First Class James J. Tubbs, 37447651, Infantry, Company "M", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On the night of 25 November 1944, near Meisengrutto, France, when a vehicle was fired on by a machine gun from a bypassed position and the occupants were forced to take cover, Private Tubbs, filling his pockets with grenades, advanced with several men until pinned down by the hostile fire. Crawling on the road to within 50 yards of the position, he fired six rifle grenades, forcing the enemy from the position. He then pursued the four man crew until they were captured by friendly troops. Private Tubbs' actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Maquoketa, Iowa.

Private First Class Gillmer J. See Miller, 37661105, Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945, near Bitschholtz, France, Private See Miller, working as a litter bearer, crossed two miles of open terrain through artillery and mortar fire, and across several streams to evacuate wounded. Although forced to take cover several times while recrossing the exposed terrain, he successfully carried three wounded men to the aid station. Private See Miller's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Decatur, Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade Jack G. Remberton, 38419796, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 20 March 1945, during the attack on the Siegfried line near Leder See Leutenbach, Germany, when intense enemy fire prevented physical contact and wire communications between the companies, Technician Remberton secured a radio link, exposing himself in order to gain reception, established contact with all units. Although enemy fire blasted the area, he remained in his position throughout the day and night, keeping the net open. Technician Remberton's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Huron, Texas.

Private First Class David Van Tuyl, 36419982, Infantry, Company "G", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 19 December 1944, near Reichshaffen, Germany, Company "G" suffered heavy casualties from artillery and mortar fire, which also wounded a platoon aid man. Private Van Tuyl, gunner, seeing a seriously wounded comrade, crawled 75 yards through the enemy fire to administer aid. Unable to evacuate the wounded man alone, he again braved the heavy fire, returned to his section and enlisted the aid of another man. For the third time Private Van Tuyl crawled through the intense fire and assisted in bringing the wounded man to safety. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Hamazon, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Joseph J. Tayak, 36548787, Infantry, Company "G", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 16 November 1944, during an attack on Laballe, France, medical aid men were unable to give immediate aid to the wounded. Sergeant Tayak, platoon guide, seeing a wounded man exposed to enemy fire, without hesitation, left his covered position, crawled to his side and administered aid. Seeing that it was imperative that the man be removed to avoid further injury, Sergeant Tayak evacuated the wounded man 115 yards to a position of safety. Sergeant Tayak's actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Riverview, Michigan.

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Staff Sergeant Victor M. Taylor, 38371376, Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 22 March 1945, during an attack on the Siegfried Line near Eibenthal, Germany, our advance was held up by fire from enemy pillboxes. Sergeant Taylor, squad leader, on his own initiative, carried a rack across an open field, heavily mined, and covered by enemy fire, so that effective fire could be placed on the enemy pillboxes. Locating four enemy machine gun nests, Sergeant Taylor directed effective fire upon those and then directed tank destroyer fire upon the pillboxes. Returning to his platoon, he then led it through the mine field. Advancing upon the pillboxes, the platoon captured the strongpoints, taking 47 prisoners. Sergeant Taylor's actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: San Angelo, Texas.

Private First Class Joseph E. Nixon, 36420605, Infantry, Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945, near Muhlhausen, France, Private Nixon, and one other soldier, were given the mission of taking four prisoners of war to the prisoner collecting point. When ambushed by enemy snipers, his comrade was mortally wounded, and, although seriously wounded himself, Private Nixon rendered first aid to his comrade; then crawled over 50 yards of fire swept terrain to bring fire upon the snipers. Private Nixon's effective fire killed two and wounded another of the enemy, and he then delivered the prisoners of war to the collecting point, completing his mission. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Adam, Michigan.

Private First Class Milton W. Lapow, 42057506, Infantry, Company "I", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 19 November 1944, near St Die, France, Private Lapow, rifleman, assigned to regimental headquarters as an interpreter, was given the mission of securing a map showing detailed enemy defenses. Securing a civilian guide, Private Lapow made his way into the enemy occupied, burning city of St Die, located the home of the possessor of the map, secured it, and then made the long and dangerous trip back to his battalion's headquarters. As a result of Private Lapow's actions, detailed information of the enemy defenses in the zone of our advance was obtained. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Brooklyn, New York.

Private First Class Herman Brown, Sr., 37465602, Infantry, Company "H", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 17 December 1944, near Eibenthal, Germany, Private Brown, jeep driver, volunteered to drive a load of critically needed ammunition to the front line troops. When within 700 yards of the front, he was fired upon by an enemy machine gun that had been bypassed. Private Brown dismounted and returned the fire, temporarily silencing it. He then crawled to a favorable position and eliminated the machine gun nest with a grenade. When he attempted to return to his vehicle, he was fired at by a sniper. Quickly locating the sniper, he killed him with rifle fire, and then completed his mission. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Winnebago, Nebraska.

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II - AWARD, MERITORIOUS, 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:

Staff Sergeant William Zwetsch, 36716251, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Muhlhausen, France, Sergeant Zwetsch, platoon guide, was leading an assault team in the attack on a heavily fortified pillbox when pinned down by intense enemy fire. He continued the advance despite the intense fire, shooting from the hip as he went along. Sergeant Zwetsch overran one enemy position killing two riflemen, and continued on until caught in machine gun cross fire, falling mortally wounded. Sergeant Zwetsch's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Chicago, Illinois. Next of kin: Mrs. Peggy E. Zwetsch (Wife), 3012 Fletcher Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class Robert Auerbach, 12219224, Infantry, Company "E", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Muhlhausen, France, Private Auerbach, machine gunner, came under intense enemy fire while going forward in the attack. When his squad leader stepped on a mine and was seriously wounded, Private Auerbach immediately assumed command and led the squad safely through the mine field to a protected position. Private Auerbach then left his covered position in order to direct more accurate fire upon the enemy, and in the process was mortally wounded by enemy fire. Private Auerbach's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Long Island, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Mildred Auerbach (Mother), 1132 Fulton Street, Long Island, New York.

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 individuals:

FIRST LIEUTENANT ANDREW J. CONNOLLY, 02055226, (then SECOND LIEUTENANT), Chemical Warfare Service, Company "C", (then Company "A"), 83d Chemical Mortar Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: New York, New York.

FIRST LIEUTENANT CHARLES E. FORD, 02047312, Medical Administrative Corps, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 24 April 1945, near Munsingen, Germany, elements of the Third Battalion, 411th Infantry, came under artillery and machine gun fire and the lead vehicle suffered two direct hits. LIEUTENANT FORD, leaving his own vehicle, crawled forward 500 yards and administered aid to three wounded men. Returning to his vehicle he requested a volunteer driver, and once again braving the enemy fire, he returned to the casualties and drove them to a point from which they could be evacuated. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Trinity, Texas.

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III - ~~AWARD~~ OF Oak Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal.

SECOND LIEUTENANT HAROLD A. COE, 02000657, Infantry, Company "I", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 19 January 1945, near Sessenheim, France, when the Third Battalion, 411th Infantry met strong resistance and fire from self-propelled, anti-tank and automatic weapons, the order to withdraw was given. LIEUTENANT COE, disregarding the enemy fire, left his covered position and crawled laterally over 100 yards of open terrain to each of his squad leaders, explaining the situation and plan of withdrawal. He covered the withdrawal of his men and at the same time prevented the enemy from reaching two of our machine gun emplacements. Not until every man in his platoon had reached safety did he, himself, withdraw. LIEUTENANT COE's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Ypsilanti, Michigan.

FIRST LIEUTENANT HOWARD L. McCLOSKEY, 01825554, Infantry, Company "G", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 10 January 1945, near Oettingen, France, LIEUTENANT McCLOSKEY, platoon leader, while advancing into enemy territory encountered intense enemy fire. Ordered to withdraw, LIEUTENANT McCLOSKEY immediately set up a base of fire, and held off the enemy while his platoon withdrew. Disregarding the hostile fire, he moved from man to man, directing the fire on the enemy positions. When the last man had reached safety LIEUTENANT McCLOSKEY withdrew. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: San Francisco, California.

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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 to following named individuals:

Technician Fifth Grade Stanley J. Cabala, 36713103, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 24 January 1945, near Muhlhausen, France, Technician Cabala, aid man, was occupying a foxhole with four men when three of them became casualties. After administering aid to one man, he succeeded in evacuating him. Unable to evacuate the seriously wounded because of the hostile fire, he remained with the men, administering aid throughout the day, and night, leaving only to dash to another hole when called to treat other casualties in the area. Technician Cabala's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

FIRST LIEUTENANT LAURENCE B. JARMAGIN, 01318046, (then SECOND LIEUTENANT), Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 15 March 1945 near Offwiller, France, LIEUTENANT JARMAGIN took over as lead scout and led his men through a mine field behind enemy lines. When fired upon by the enemy, he rushed a hill and his platoon forced the enemy to retreat. Seeing his third squad pinned down by automatic weapon fire, LIEUTENANT JARMAGIN, disregarding the enemy fire, ran down the slope and moved the squad to a new position. Although wounded, he crawled to his two other squads and resumed the attack. When his radio was knocked from his hands, he crossed 300 yards of open terrain to contact his commanding officer, giving him the situation. Only then, did he submit to evacuation. LIEUTENANT JARMAGIN's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Washington Court House, Ohio.

Private First Class Erwin E. King, 18090497, Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 30 November 1944, near Itterwiller, France, when the enemy infiltrated through his company's area, and opened fire, from the rear, Private King disregarding the enemy fire crawled 150 yards to the rear. Exposing himself, he opened fire with his rifle, killing the gunner and wounding two crew members, then continuing firing he diverted the enemy's fire from the main body of the company.

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Turning to two enemy riflemen behind him, he killed one with rifle fire and wounded the other with a hand grenade. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: El Paso, Texas.

Technical Sergeant Donald J. Link, 36288802, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company "D", 410th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 10 December 1944, after successfully establishing a bridgehead across a river near Merville, France, Sergeant Link made a personal reconnaissance of the route over which a patrol was to proceed. A short time later, when wounded by machine gun fire, he crawled to the patrol to inform the leader of the enemy disposition. When the enemy launched a counterattack he moved from position to position encouraging his men, enabling them to make a safe withdrawal. Returning to the company, he informed the commanding officer of the enemy position and the following morning assisted in directing artillery fire which destroyed the hostile emplacement. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Rice Lake, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant Charles W. Orth, 37411347, Infantry, Company "I", 410th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 25 January 1945, while holding an outpost beyond Nieffern, France, Sergeant Orth's position was struck in force by enemy troops. Casualties were heavy and in the action a squad leader was wounded. Sergeant Orth, displaying coolness and courage, quickly reorganized the confused squad and formed them into a formidable fighting force. Constantly exposing himself to enemy fire, Sergeant Orth dashed from position to position to spur the men on to fight a delaying action until complete organization took place. He personally destroyed several enemy strongpoints killing and wounding many of the enemy. Sergeant Orth's outstanding leadership resulted in the enemy attack being repulsed and reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: St. Louis, Missouri.

CAPTAIN JOSEPH F. KASUN, 01296040, Headquarters, Third Battalion, (then Company "I"), 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 17 March 1945, when a tank-infantry attack on Jagerthal, France was halted by heavy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire, CAPTAIN KASUN ran 300 yards through the hostile fire, boarded the lead tank, and riding exposed, led the men forward. Confronted by a wall, he ordered the tanks to crash through and, after taking positions to support the riflemen, directed tank fire on enemy emplacements on the high ground in rear of the town. Locating an artillery ammunition dump, he directed fire, completely destroying it. CAPTAIN KASUN's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Bisbee, Arizona.

Technical Sergeant Oren W. Davenport, 37203254, Infantry, Company "D", 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 16 March 1945, near Niederbronn, France, Sergeant Davenport, mortar platoon sergeant, was assisting in evacuating casualties, when a by-passed machine gun raked the area, inflicting more casualties. Seizing an automatic rifle from a wounded man, he crawled 50 yards through the hostile fire to a draw where he was in position to fire on the enemy. Then dashing forward, Sergeant Davenport assaulted the

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position with his automatic rifle, killing two of the enemy and capturing a third. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Hedora, Kansas.

Staff Sergeant Raymond A. Licht, 36288382, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "D", 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 15 December 1944, near Glimbach, France, Sergeant Licht, then a first mortar gunner, saw a patrol of enemy soldiers advancing steadily from the flank with the apparent objective of ambushing a column of our troops. Realizing that by shouting a warning to his comrades he would alert the enemy patrol as to their discovery, Sergeant Licht, without hesitation, charged into the midst of the patrol and at close quarters engaged the enemy with his pistol. Killing three of the enemy, and wounding two, he forced the surrender of seven and the rest into disorderly retreat. Sergeant Licht's actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Boyd, Wisconsin.

Sergeant James S. Hall, 16361182, Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 21 April 1945, Sergeant Hall, acting squad leader, was given the mission to lead an attack on the town of Gross, Germany. Discovering a heavily armed, fifteen man, enemy patrol, he dispatched his men and went forward alone to engage the enemy. In the face of enemy fire Sergeant Hall delivered such accurate and demoralizing return fire that three of the enemy were killed, one wounded, one captured, and the remainder routed. Rejoining his squad, he continued on his mission, advanced into the town, and by swift maneuvering was directly responsible for the capture of the remaining eleven enemy, and the capture of the town without casualties. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class Leonard J. Salathe, 38497575, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 410th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 27 January 1945, Private Salathe was leading a patrol as scout when several men were killed and wounded in a mine field. Given the alarm by the exploding mines, the enemy opened fire with machine-guns and mortars, inflicting casualties on most of the men. Continuing on his mission, Private Salathe approached Maffern, France, then dashing across 75 yards of open ground as a comrade delivered covering fire, entered a house, killed three of the enemy and gained vital information from the fourth which he had wounded. Private Salathe's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: New Orleans, Louisiana.

Sergeant Neil N. Burton, 19028628, Infantry, Company "K", 410th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. During the period 24 to 25 January 1945, in the vicinity of Muhlhausen, France, Sergeant Burton, assistant squad leader, assumed command of a position in enemy infested territory when his squad leader was killed as a result of enemy activity. Displaying outstanding courage, Sergeant Burton hastily reorganized the confused platoon and withstood the enemy attacks for two days and nights without food or water and without communication to his command post. As the situation became critical, Sergeant Burton skillfully led his men through the enemy territory and was successful.

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in establishing contact with his company. Sergeant Burton's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Gardena, California.

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 individuals:

SECOND LIEUTENANT FRANCIS M. PASSARO, 01321241, Infantry, Company "I", 410th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Urweiler, France, LIEUTENANT PASSARO, platoon leader, came under intense enemy fire as he was leading the platoon through the town. Disregarding the intense fire he crawled from his covered position in order to reach the frontal elements of his platoon where he could more accurately direct fire. In an exposed position he directed bazooka fire into the discovered enemy position. In the process of the activity LIEUTENANT PASSARO was mortally wounded by enemy fire. LIEUTENANT PASSARO'S outstanding valor reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Brooklyn, New York. Next of kin: Mrs Carol Passaro, (Wife), 1368 East 26th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

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 individuals:

Sergeant William G. Nieman, 37447961, Infantry, Company "H", 410th Infantry Regiment; For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945 near Urweiler, France, when leading elements of a battalion attack were subjected to intense small arms and automatic fire while advancing over open ground, Sergeant Nieman dragged his heavy machine gun to the forward slope of a hill and, disregarding the hostile fire directed at him, fired on the enemy positions, enabling the troops to reach cover. Remaining in his position, he continued to fire as the remainder of his squad withdrew and then carried his machine gun to cover. Sergeant Nieman's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Clarksville, Iowa.

Private First Class Samuel E. Thompson, 34806743, Infantry, Company "I", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 29 November 1944 near Huzarth, France, when Company "I", 410th Infantry was subjected to artillery, machine gun and small arms fire and forced to withdraw with several casualties, Private Thompson led two litter teams through the hostile fire to within 100 yards of hostile positions. After assisting in the evacuation of one man and discovering one team pinned down by hostile fire, he fired on the enemy positions, inflicting casualties and forcing two of the enemy to surrender. Private Thompson's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Titus, Alabama.

Private First Class Geoffrey O. Wolfe, 36410641, Infantry, Company "D", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945 near Engwiller, France, when the enemy allowed a platoon to reach the exposed

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crest of a hill and then subjected the area to artillery fire, inflicting heavy casualties, Private Wolfe advanced through the hostile fire to contact the rifle company which the platoon was supporting and to reconnoiter for positions. Returning 500 yards over the exposed terrain to the men and, although the enemy shifted their artillery fire to this route, he successfully led the platoon to selected positions without further casualties. Private Wolfe's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Flint, Michigan.

Private First Class Donald S. Smith, 11110759, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 27 January 1945, Private Smith was leading a patrol as scout when several men were killed and wounded in a mine field. Given the alarm by the exploding mines, the enemy opened fire with machine gun and mortars, inflicting casualties on most of the men. Continuing on his mission, Private Smith approached Maffern, France and, in a series of dashes moved to within 75 yards of a house, delivering covering fire into the windows as a comrade ran into the building. Then running into the house, he assisted in questioning a wounded enemy soldier as to the disposition of troops in the village. Private Smith's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Providence, Rhode Island.

Staff Sergeant James H. Copeland, 37400670, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 10 December 1944, a squad of Infantrymen, with Sergeant Copeland as First Scout, crossed a river running through Mertzwiller, France, to establish a beachhead until a patrol reconnoitered the enemy held section of town and returned. When the enemy counterattacked as the squad withdrew and wounded a comrade, Sergeant Copeland crawled 75 yards through the hostile fire, dragged the man to the edge of the river, and placed him in a rubber boat. Fired on by riflemen a few yards away, he fired his rifle and threw two grenades, killing and wounding several of the enemy. He then rowed the boat across the river and evacuated his comrade. Sergeant Copeland's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: St. Louis, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant Galen B. McKinsey, 37199769, Infantry, Service Company, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 21 December 1944 near Weiler, Germany, Sergeant McKinsey, Third Battalion Supply Sergeant, was leading 19 mules, laden with rations, water and ammunition to forward companies when the enemy, observing the movement, subjected the area to artillery and mortar fire, killing four mules and scattering the others. Disregarding the hostile fire, he rounded up the mules, loaded the supplies from the dead animals on the train and continued on to the forward elements. Sergeant McKinsey's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Kansas City, Kansas.

SECOND LIEUTENANT ROBERT D. NORD, 0545591, Infantry, Company "K", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 28 November 1944 near Trimbach, France, during an enemy counterattack LIEUTENANT NORD set up his

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machine guns in the best firing positions. Disregarding the enemy fire and despite the fact that he was wounded, LIEUTENANT MCGUI personally directed the fire of his machine guns, forcing the enemy to withdraw. In this action two of the enemy were killed and four wounded. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Elkton, South Dakota.

Private First Class John H. Strodtman, 37327425, (then Private), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bobenthal, Germany, Private Strodtman, litter bearer, administered aid to innumerable casualties as attacking elements stormed the formidable defenses of the Seized Line. Working under intense enemy fire, Private Strodtman continued to administer first aid and return through intense fire to bring up blood plasma and to guide litter bearers to the scene of the casualties. Private Strodtman's outstanding devotion to duty reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Belgrade, Minnesota.

Corporal Lonet L. St. Martin, 38655721, Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Zinswiller, France, Corporal St. Martin, radio operator, accompanied spearheading units in the attack to continue uninterrupted radio communications with rear installations. Constantly exposing himself as communications became less audible, Corporal St. Martin remained in an exposed position directing accurate directions to the mortar and artillery sections. As a result of his accurate fire directions, several hostile emplacements were wiped out and the attacking forces were enabled to go forward rapidly. Corporal St. Martin's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Technician Fifth Grade Ronald H. Hall, 36550486, Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Uttenhoffen, France, Technician Hall, transportation corporal, was hauling vitally needed rations to forward elements when he came under mortar and artillery fire. Despite the fact that shrapnel tore the top from his vehicle and seriously wounded his assistant driver, Technician Hall continued on his mission braving the intense fire until the company command post was located. On completion of this mission he noticed a wounded man lying in the street and placed him on the vehicle and drove through intense fire for three miles to an aid station. Technician Hall's outstanding courage reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Richard R. Doell, 39559436, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment; For heroism in action. On 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Andlau, France, Sergeant Doell, scout, observed fire coming from a building to his immediate front. Taking a strategic position he covered the building allowing it to be taken without casualties. Advancing once again he encountered a hostile patrol and allowing them to advance within 50 yards of his position, he opened fire, forcing them to withdraw in confusion. Observing two enemy guards further down the road, he

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creeped in back of them taking them by surprise and forcing the two of them to surrender. Sergeant Doell's actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Carpinteria, California.

Private First Class Fred J. Tindell, 37743952, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Muhlhausen, France, severe casualties were sustained as attacking elements came under an intense enemy barrage. Private Tindell, hearing a cry for aid, braved the intense enemy fire and dashing from tree to tree reached the side of his wounded comrade. Administering aid, he carried the man to safety. Private Tindell's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Joplin, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant Hollis L. Estep, 38396605, Infantry, Company "K", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 30 January 1945, in the vicinity of Neiffern, France, Sergeant Estep led a raid on an enemy held house with the mission of obtaining information and capturing prisoners. He entered an enemy held house alone and forced the surrender of 11 of the enemy. Remaining behind to cover the withdrawal of the raiding party, Sergeant Estep observed a wounded comrade. He left cover, went to his side and carried the wounded man to safety. Sergeant Estep's valor was in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: El Reno, Oklahoma.

Private First Class James H. Lynn, 37646363, Infantry, Company "K", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Neiffern, France, severe casualties were sustained during a frontal assault on the village. Private Lynn, observing that his squad leader was seriously wounded and lying in open terrain, left his place of cover and under intense fire dragged him to safety. As the severity of the fire thwarted any attempts of aid men to reach the area, Private Lynn skillfully administered first aid and saved the life of his squad leader. Private Lynn's actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Vandalia, Missouri.

Private First Class Christe Stefekes, 20140239, Infantry, Cannon Company, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945, near Uhrwiller, France, when leading elements of a rifle company were halted by mortar and self-propelled weapon fire, Private Stefekes continued on through a smoke screen to a vantage point 150 yards forward of the troops. Despite sniper and automatic weapon fire, he remained in an exposed position relaying fire orders until the mortars were silenced and the self-propelled guns had withdrawn. His actions which enabled our troops to continue the advance reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Manchester, New Hampshire.

Staff Sergeant Daniel P. McMillan, 14076061, Infantry, Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 20 March 1945, near Nieder Schlattenbach, Germany, Sergeant McMillan was leading his squad in the attack when an enemy machine gun opened fire, killing two men and pinning the remainder to the ground. Disregarding the enemy fire, he crawled 25 yards and

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approaching to within 8 yards of the hostile emplacement fired a smoke grenade, enabling his squad to withdraw. Sergeant McKillian's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Fayetteville, North Carolina.

Corporal Edward C. Rollman, 39550320, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "H", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 12 December 1944, near Noerth, France, when forward elements were pinned down by mortar and artillery fire, Corporal Rollman and his assistant moved their mortar up within 500 yards of the town. Making a hasty reconnaissance and setting up his mortar in an exposed position, Corporal Rollman ordered his assistant to cover and began firing. Although he drew considerable counter-fire, he remained in position until all of his ammunition was expended, thereby enabling the infantry to reach its objective. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Los Angeles, California.

Private Leon G. Zabawa, Jr., 6396193, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion (then Company "B"), 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 4 January 1945, near Bahren, France, Private Zabawa went to the aid of a comrade who had been seriously wounded. Under direct small arms fire he carried the casualty 200 yards to safety and, signaling a nearby tank, directed his evacuation to the aid station. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Sea Island, Georgia.

Technical Sergeant Kenneth S. Smith, 37516961, (then Sergeant), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 12 January 1945, near Gaubvingen, France, when a rifle company was held up due to lack of artillery and communications were cut, Sergeant Smith volunteered to make contact. Moving forward with two wiremen, they were subjected to mortar and sniper fire, forcing them to take cover. Directing his men to remain under cover, Sergeant Smith moved along the wire, found the break, and repaired it under mortar and machine gun fire. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Los Angeles, California.

Sergeant Orville A. Score, 36293682, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "D", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 21 March 1945, near Nieder Schlettenbach, Germany, observing a wounded man lying 100 yards distant, Sergeant Score crawled through mortar and machine gun fire to the casualty and applied a tourniquet to his leg. Then placing the man on his back, he crawled to a defiladed position where, with the help of a comrade, he evacuated the casualty to the aid station. Sergeant Score's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Wheeler, Wisconsin.

Private First Class Paul F. Insetta, 32235934, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 10 December 1944, near Metersheim, France, when two enemy tanks held up the advance of the Second Battalion, 411th Infantry, Private Insetta voluntarily crawled through the hostile fire to an advantageous position. Then firing his bazooka, he knocked out one tank and forced the other to withdraw. Private Insetta's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Brooklyn, New York.

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Staff Sergeant Vincent A. Pecolunas, 36714303, (then Corporal), Infantry, Company "M", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 22 November 1944, near St. Dis, France, when a ration carrying party was caught in an artillery barrage, several were wounded and the group became disorganized. Sergeant Pecolunas, disregarding the enemy fire went to the aid of the wounded and administered first aid. After dragging them to cover in a ditch, he re-organized the group, secured the scattered rations and led the party from the danger zone. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class Harold V. Richards, 16053925, Infantry, Company "M", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 19 January 1945, near Sussenheim, France, when a call was received for bazooka ammunition, Private Richards volunteered to deliver it for a front line company. Disregarding artillery, mortar and small arms fire, he twice crossed 700 yards of open terrain carrying the ammunition. On the third trip, seeing a wounded soldier 100 yards to the right, Private Richards worked his way to the casualty and after administering aid, moved him to safety. Continuing on, he delivered the ammunition and then returned to notify the aid men of the location of the wounded man. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Lincoln, Illinois.

Private First Class Antonio R. Contreras, 38155978, Infantry, Company "H", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 22 November 1944, near Sauley, France, when a mortar platoon requested additional ammunition, Private Contreras moved across an open field under artillery, mortar and sniper fire to deliver the ammunition. Fired upon by a sniper as he returned to the rear, Private Contreras worked his way to within 15 yards of the position and hurling a grenade, eliminated the position. His actions which cleared a route for the ammunition reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Corpus Christi, Texas.

Private First Class Dewey G. White, 35073752, Infantry, Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 15 March 1945, near Uhrweiler, France, when 10 men became casualties, Private White volunteered to return through a mine field to contact the company aid men who had stopped to administer aid to other wounded. Forced to crawl 300 yards as he made his way back, he contacted the aid men, then led them safely through the mine field and on toward the company until wounded by a mortar burst. Private White's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Dayton, Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade William F. Anderson 20258221, Infantry, Company "D", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 16 March 1945, near Gundershoffen, France, when an enemy artillery barrage wounded several men, Technician Anderson advanced through the hostile fire to administer aid. Although another barrage wounded him and two other men, he continued to administer aid and then carried the men to safety before treating his own wound. Technician Anderson's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: New York, New York.

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Corporal Donald L. Waldemarson, 33680577, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "D", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 21 March 1945, near Nieder Schlottenbach, Germany, when his company was pinned down by artillery and sniper fire, Corporal Waldemarson, aided by a comrade, crawled 200 yards to rescue seven wounded men. In providing a litter, he carried the casualties to a ravine where he administered aid. Observing four of the enemy coming up the ravine, Corporal Waldemarson ran to a covered position, and, surprising the four soldiers, forced them to surrender. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Erie, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Alexander DeGraf, 36713525, (then Corporal), Infantry, Company "D", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 10 December 1944, near Griesbach, France, when a rifle company was pinned down by heavy machine gun and rifle fire and unable to maneuver or to evacuate their wounded, Sergeant DeGraf, ordering two men to follow with ammunition and a tripod, carried his heavy machine gun across a stream and crawled forward to an advantageous position. Then firing into the positions, he reduced the enemy fire, enabling the company to continue its advance and evacuate the wounded. Sergeant DeGraf's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class Edwin G. Hess, 36289076, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 21 November 1944, near St. Die, France, Private Hess, driver, while leaving the Battalion area, observed a small bypassed enemy patrol armed with machine pistols. Noting that the patrol was approaching the battalion area, Private Hess, stopped his vehicle, moved to a drainage ditch, and although armed with only a carbine, demanded and received the surrender of the three heavily armed enemy. Private Hess' actions accounted for three enemy prisoners and prevented the command post group from being harassed by the enemy patrol. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Ableson, Wisconsin.

Private First Class Harold W. Caphart, 36384431, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 16 November 1944, near LaBolle, France, when the Third Battalion sustained heavy casualties, the medical aid men and litter bearers were unable to care for all the wounded. Private Caphart, clerk, realizing the urgency of the situation, volunteered to go to the aid of the wounded. Enlisting the assistance of another man, Private Caphart secured a litter and moved 100 yards over fire swept, open ground, under direct observation of the enemy, to evacuate a seriously wounded man. Over rugged mountain terrain, Private Caphart assisted in evacuating the wounded man, and also a walking wounded to MTO aid station. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: DeKalb, Illinois.

Private First Class Gilbert W. Pantle, 36625237, Infantry, Company "M", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 16 November 1944, near LaBolle, France, Private Pantle's platoon was pinned down by enemy fire which inflicted heavy casualties. Upon seeing his squad leader fall seriously wounded, Private Pantle left his covered position and ran 75 yards



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through enemy fire to the wounded man. Forced to lie in a prone position while he administered first aid, he then attempted to drag the wounded man to safety. Enemy fire penetrated his back and another bullet grazed his helmet, but Private Pantle succeeded in bringing the man to safety and insured his prompt evacuation. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Highland Park, Illinois.

Private First Class John D. McCauley, 33711698, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action: On the night of 11 March 1945, near Bitschholtz, France, Private McCauley, automatic rifleman, was manning a listening post a few yards from enemy lines. Although stunned by concussion grenades which landed but a few yards from him, Private McCauley hurled six grenades into the area in front of his position. Then with only the cries of the enemy wounded to guide his aim, he seized his BAR and fired four magazines into the area where he suspected the enemy to be, killing seven of the enemy. Private McCauley's actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Oil City, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class George A. Masoch, 38677265, Infantry, Company "G", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 19 December 1944, near Reisdorf, Germany, our forces were attacking enemy fortifications in the Siegfried Line. When a counterattack by numerically superior forces inflicted heavy casualties, Private Masoch, on four occasions, left his covered position and crawled through enemy fire to apply first aid and bring the wounded back to the protection of a pillbox. Private Masoch's actions, in the face of intense enemy fire and under enemy observation, rescued four men from possible further injury and capture. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Shulenburg, Texas.

Private First Class Arthur J. Thorrien, 31297436, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 22 March 1945, near Nieder Schleitenebach, Germany, during an attack on the Siegfried Line, Private Thorrien, radio operator, realizing the necessity and urgency of keeping all companies in contact with each other, and with the battalion commander, remained with the radio constantly for fourteen hours. Despite heavy artillery and automatic-weapon fire, he continued transmitting and checking contact with rear elements. Men on either side of him were seriously wounded by sniper fire and his own rifle was struck, but Private Thorrien refused to forsake his radio and continued operating until relieved by another operator. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: East Lynn, Massachusetts.

Private First Class Phillip K. Mooney, 16106142, Medical Department, Company "A", 328th Medical Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. During the period 18-19 December 1944, near Ructenbach, Germany, while our forces were attacking the Siegfried Line, Private Mooney, for 36 hours, assisted in the evacuation of the wounded from the open battle field to the temporary, advanced aid station. Repeatedly exposing himself to enemy fire, he was directly responsible for the saving of many lives and alleviating the suffering of the wounded. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Marion, Indiana.

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Private First Class George R. Hill, 36457236, Medical Department, Company "A", 328th Medical Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. During the period 18-19 December 1944, near Bectenbach, Germany, Private Hill repeatedly exposed himself to heavy enemy fire in order that he might evacuate and give aid to the wounded. For 36 hours, without rest, Private Hill continuously assisted in the evacuation of the wounded and was directly responsible for the saving of many lives, and alleviating the suffering of the wounded. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Marquette, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Robert F. Burkard, 36826382, Infantry, Company "L", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 25 January 1945, during a counterattack on the town of Schillcrdorf, France, Sergeant Burkard led his squad to within thirty feet of enemy positions in order to relieve pressure on an adjoining squad. Although painfully wounded by enemy fire, he continued the attack on the enemy positions, killing four of the enemy and succeeding in his mission. His leadership was in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

SECOND LIEUTENANT JOE C. VILLESAS, 02007023, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 18 January 1945, near Sessenheim, France, when both the Platoon Leader and Platoon Sergeant were wounded during an enemy counterattack, LIEUTENANT VILLESAS, then a squad leader, on his own initiative, moved from position to position rallying the men of his platoon. Despite heavy enemy fire, LIEUTENANT VILLESAS organized an attack which delayed the enemy so that the main body of the company could take up defense positions. He then supervised the orderly withdrawal of his platoon to the remainder of the company where a successful delaying action was launched against the enemy. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Clifton, Arizona.

Staff Sergeant Charles G. Dunning, 39927699, Infantry, Company "K", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945, near Nieffern, France, Sergeant Dunning led his squad through a mine field until pinned down by enemy fire. Preserving a counterattack, he maneuvered two BAR teams to a commanding position and, although constantly exposed to enemy fire, he succeeded in setting up automatic fire which broke up a strong enemy counter-attack. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Rosebud, Montana.

Staff Sergeant George C. Alexander, 34516245, Infantry, Company "K", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 29 January 1945, during a raid on Muhlhausen, France, to obtain vital information on enemy dispositions, Sergeant Alexander, repeatedly exposed himself to enemy fire while placing his machine guns into strategic positions. Effectively placing his guns and selecting targets, Sergeant Alexander gave protective covering all during the raid; succeeded in knocking out two enemy machine gun nests, and when the mission was achieved, covered the withdrawal so skillfully that no casualties were sustained. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Central, South Carolina.

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III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (CONT'D)

Private Paul J. Sander, 33790099, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945, as Company "K" moved in the attack on Neiffern, France, Private Sander, aid man, accompanied the forward elements. On numerous occasions he braved mine fields to aid the wounded and worked indefatigably in bandaging the wounded, constantly under intense enemy fire. Private Sander's outstanding courage reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

IV - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 43, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to following named individuals for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

CAPTAIN EARL L. BITAMORE, 01296338, Infantry, Headquarters 41th Infantry Regiment, on 23 April 1945, in Germany. Residence: Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class John W. Bagley, Jr., 37642507, Infantry, Company "C", 41th Infantry Regiment, on 23 April 1945, in Germany. Residence: Centerville, Missouri.

Corporal Henry M. Zolper, 36346556, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 383d Field Artillery Battalion, on 19 September 1944, in France. Residence: Mendota, Illinois.

V - 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:

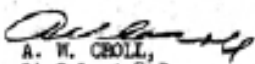
Master Sergeant John H. McClean, 33025960, Infantry, Service Company, 41th Infantry Regiment, on 3 March 1945, in France. Residence: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Corporal Henry M. Zolper, 36346556, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 383d Field Artillery Battalion, on 23 February 1945, in Germany. Residence: Mendota, Illinois.

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