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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 individual:

CAPTAIN FREDERICK B. DURAND, 01030656, Cavalry, 103d Reconnaissance Troop. For gallantry in action. On 24 April 1945, CAPTAIN DURAND organized a reconnaissance force of two scout cars and two light trucks and led his men ahead of a task force into Lunsingen, Germany. Although subjected to small arms and machine gun fire, he continued on into the heart of the city, catching the enemy by surprise. Firing at all targets of opportunity, the force killed and wounded approximately 80 of the enemy and forced many others to drop their weapons and flee in panic. Then reporting to the task force commander, he enabled our troops to capture the city before the enemy could reorganize. CAPTAIN DURAND's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Junction City, Kansas.

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

Private First Class Frank Napoleano, 39424039, Infantry, Company "B", 11th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 16 March 1945 near Gumbrechtshoffen, France, when his company was pinned down by machine gun and artillery fire, Private Napoleano advanced to a partially concealed position on the flank of a machine gun emplacement. Then firing on the strongpoint, he diverted the crew's attention as his comrades maneuvered into position and neutralized the weapon with grenades. Private Napoleano's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Fresno, California.

Private First Class Michael F. Toohig, 11344579, Infantry, Company "B", 11th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 12 December 1944 near Pleasantdorf, France, Private Toohig, observing an enemy tank advancing toward his company's positions, secured a bazooka and remained in his position until the tank approached within 75 yards. Firing twice, he knocked off the tread, immobilizing the tank and, although its crew began shelling his position, he directed anti-tank fire until the vehicle was destroyed. Private Toohig's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Lawrence, Massachusetts.

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II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, CONT'D

Technician Fourth Grade Donald R. Yoder, 47050345, Field Artillery, Company "C", 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 March 1943 to 8 May 1945 in North Africa, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Brockton, Vermont.

CAPTAIN JUSTIN A. WEID, 01296691, Infantry, IP' Team 63. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 27 April 1945 in France and Germany. Residence: Maplewood, New Jersey.

CAPTAIN ERNEST F. FRUEN, 01296677, Infantry, IP' Team 14. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 - 3 May 1945 in Germany and Austria. Residence: Scranton, Pennsylvania.

FIRST LIEUTENANT CLAVIS P. RANDON, 0585751, Air Corps, III Team 468-G. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 January to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

III -- AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations, 400-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal is awarded to following named individuals:

Private First Class Calvin C. Hoffmaster, 33733992, Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 10 December 1944 near Lodersheim, France, when his company was pinned down by artillery, mortar and machine gun fire and all communication had been severed, Private Hoffmaster volunteered to deliver two important messages to the battalion command post. Advancing through sniper fire from nearby buildings for two and a half miles, he delivered the messages and returned with the reply. Private Hoffmaster's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Baltimore, Maryland.

Private First Class Sidney E. Tyler, 20929513, Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 24 April 1945, near Lunsingen, Germany, when a motorized column encountered machine gun, anti-tank and small arms fire, the lead vehicle was wrecked by a direct hit from an anti-tank gun. Private Tyler, disregarding the enemy fire, drove forward from his position in the column, picked up two men and continued on to the lead vehicle. Despite several hits on his truck, he loaded the casualties on the vehicle and removed them from the danger zone. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Greenriver, Wyoming.

IV -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR, AUMENT. So much of Section II, General Orders No. 50, this Headquarters, dated 10 December 1944, awarding the Silver Star, posthumously, to Corporal Willard J. Krstovshak, 36102802, Infantry, Company "D", 410th Infantry Regiment, as reads, "During the daylight hours of 24 November 1944", is amended to read, "During the daylight hours of 24 November 1944".

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V -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, REVOCATION. So much of Section I, General Order No 210, this Headquarters, dated 23 July 1945, awarding the Bronze Star Medal to Private First Class Sidney H. Tyler, 20939633, is revoked.

VI -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, A. E. D. ETI. So much of Section II, General Order Number 58, this Headquarters, dated 13 December 1944, awarding the Bronze Star Medal, posthumously to Private First Class Joseph A. Koehler, 35727579, Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment, 62 roads, "During the daylight hours of 1 December 1944", is amended to read, "During the daylight hours of 29 November 1944".

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- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. . . . . I
- AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. . . . . II
- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART, REVOCATION. . . . . III

I -- 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:

MAJOR EDWARD G. SION, O423581, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 27 November 1944. Residence: Shenandoah, Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant John V. Washington, 6291800, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 1 May 1945. Residence: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant Melvin L. Hughes, 19015856, Infantry, Company "H", 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 22 December 1944. Residence: Stapleton, Nebraska.

Private First Class Arthur J. Rice, Jr., 42001103, Infantry, Company "I", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 29 November 1944. Residence: Hackettstown, New Jersey.

Private First Class Nelson E. Gamble, 35549374, Infantry, Company "E", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 7 June 1944. Residence: Toledo, Ohio.

Private First Class John A. Carey, 36579844, Infantry, Company "E", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 5 February 1945. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Private Joe D. Brown, 39710317, Infantry, Company "D", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 December 1944. Residence: Santa Barbara, California.

Private First Class Harry L. Smith, 33467411, Infantry, Company "I", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 31 January 1945. Residence: Ironing, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Willie B. Collins, 34140809, Infantry, Company "K", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 27 September 1944. Residence: Harrogate, Tennessee.

Technical Sergeant John E. Harvey, 6295555, Infantry, Service Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 30 December 1944. Residence: Paris, Texas.

Sergeant Robert W. Harwood, 36507407, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 13 January 1945. Residence: Marquette, Michigan.

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I -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART, CONT'D

Sergeant Charles J. Hoffman, 36199314, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 24 April 1945. Residence: Grand Rapids, Michigan.

SECOND LIEUTENANT ARTHUR I. CORLEY, C2014832, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 March 1945. Residence: Kansas City, Missouri.

SECOND LIEUTENANT THOMAS E. BAILY, C2014305, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Residence: Wellington, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade Homer M. Coleman, 37457973, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 November 1944. Residence: Casper, Wyoming.

Technician Fourth Grade Hyle M. Adams, 36546795, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 December 1944. Residence: Dearborn, Michigan.

SECOND LIEUTENANT HURRY S. PETERSON, 01091204, Cavalry, 103d Reconnaissance Troop, France, 18 July 1944. Residence: University Heights, Ohio.

II -- 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 individuals for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

Private First Class Jesse S. Hendrick, 14192752, Infantry, Company "K", 409th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 27 April 1945. Residence: Valdosta, Georgia.

FIRST OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

Private First Class Joseph L. Gilman, 11023691, Infantry, Company "A", 409th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 2 May 1945. Residence: Dublin, New Hampshire.

Corporal Albert E. Green, 33636708, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Residence: Glass P O, Virginia.

First Sergeant Martin R. Rinker, 33059616, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 26 November 1944. Residence: Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania.

Private Gilbert C. Jackson, 35713253, Infantry, Company "G", 409th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 19 March 1945. Residence: Corbin, Kentucky.

SECOND LIEUTENANT RICHARD W. MEYER, C2011784, Infantry, Company "E", 411th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 22 April 1945. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

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III -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART, REVOCATION. So much of Section IV, General Orders 208, this Headquarters, dated 21 Jul 45, awarding the Purple Heart to SECOND LIEUTENANT RICHARD V. FEYER, O2011784, is revoked.

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