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ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Under the provisions of paragraph 6a, AR 600-20, the undersigned hereby assumes command of the 103d Infantry Division during the temporary absence of Brigadier General JOHN T. PIERCE, O4754, USA.

Roger M. Weeks
ROGER M. WEEKS,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army.

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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 following named individuals:

Technical Sergeant George R. Butler, 32022089, Infantry, Service Company, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Brooklyn, New York.

Staff Sergeant William D. Grecian, 37208138, Infantry, Company "A", 410th Infantry Regiment, from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Wichita, Kansas.

Staff Sergeant Edward F. Wieland, 37276730, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Duluth, Minnesota.

Technician Fourth Grade Elmer E. Frazier, 37400832, Field Artillery, Battery "G", 383d Field Artillery Battalion, from 20 April to 5 May 1945 in Germany and Austria. Residence: Crystal City, Missouri.

Master Sergeant Raymond J. Desborough, R750477, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 383d Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: San Antonio, Texas.

Private First Class James R. Potter, 14183452, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, from 16 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Spartanburg, South Carolina.

First Sergeant Fred A. Rutherford, 650A252, Infantry, Company "M", 411th Infantry Regiment, from 16 November 1944 to 7 December 1944 in France. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Robert E. Lovgren, 37327527, Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment, from 14 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Edmore, South Dakota.

Staff Sergeant George L. Ridgley, 33200190, Infantry, Service Company, 409th Infantry Regiment, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

Staff Sergeant Raymond J. Menusy, 37465192, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 409th Infantry Regiment, from 20 April to 5 May 1945 in Germany and Austria. Residence: Hastings, Nebraska.

First Sergeant John V. Rhye, 37125231 (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, from 22 January to 25 January 1945

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Sergeant Virgil W. Weeks, 6583100, Infantry, Company "C", 410th Infantry Regiment, from 11 November 1944 to 7 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Osage, Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade Ernest N. Poushee, 34455868, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 384th Field Artillery Battalion, from 20 to 23 March 1945 in Germany. Residence: Sanford, North Carolina.

FIRST LIEUTENANT JOHN Y. CROW, 0545146, Infantry, Company "H", 410th Infantry Regiment, from 21 to 30 January 1945, in France. Residence: Towson, Maryland.

Staff Sergeant Charles H. Fenninger, 34591952, Infantry, Company "F", 410th Infantry Regiment, from 1 December 1944 to 6 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Linwood, North Carolina.

Technician Fourth Grade Harold E. Hill, 20816585, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 384th Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 November 1944 to 3 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Gorman, Texas.

Staff Sergeant Robert H. Morris, 37673029, Infantry, Company "H", 411th Infantry Regiment, from 16 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Stockport, Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade Julius M. Delfs, 37318752, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 384th Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 November 1944 to 4 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: McHenry, North Dakota.

Technician Fifth Grade Clarence L. Zartmann, 36716564, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 384th Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 November 1944 to 4 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Wyatt R. Algee, 34495188, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 384th Field Artillery Battalion, from 23 December 1944 to 3 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Tiptonville, Tennessee.

Corporal Jesse E. Lemel, 36413257, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 384th Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Spring Lake, Michigan.

First Sergeant Ernest Harris, 6556113, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 384th Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 November 1944 to 5 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Bakersfield, California.

WAIRANT OFFICER (JC) CARL A. EVERETT, JR., W2124208, Infantry, Service Company, 410th Infantry Regiment, on 23 April 1945 in Germany. Residence: Bristol, Indiana.

CAPTAIN HAROLD N. MOLBOEK, 01300956, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Kalamazoo, Michigan.

CAPTAIN THOMAS E. FITZGERALD, 01296349, Infantry, Service Company, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Cleveland, Ohio.

FIRST LIEUTENANT GERALD SISEIN, 0550411, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945

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CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER LAWRENCE F. RAMSEY, W212071A, USA, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Enfield, Illinois.

FIRST LIEUTENANT JOHN S. GARRETT, O1178806, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 362d Field Artillery Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Residence: Haynesville, Louisiana.

CAPTAIN ROY E. WITTEG, JR., O1296137, Infantry, Headquarters Special Troops, 103d Infantry Division, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Alexandria, Virginia.

FIRST LIEUTENANT JEFFERSON C. BARNHART, O1030640, Cavalry, 103d Reconnaissance Troop, from 24 December 1944 to 4 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Hershey, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant William R. Waterman, Jr., 17071661, Infantry, Service Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, from 16 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Rockwell City, Iowa.

Technical Sergeant Harry I. Feldman, 32331046, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Brooklyn, New York.

First Sergeant Sheldon O. Siebold, 6865117, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 410th Infantry Regiment, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: River Falls, Wisconsin.

MAJOR ROLAND E. NIEMAN, O381190, Medical Corps, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 9 November 1944 to 4 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Cincinnati, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Morris N. Killough, 18006775, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 363d Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Millford, Texas.

FIRST LIEUTENANT GEORGE T. POOLE, O1310148, ADC(Infantry), Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Shrewsbury, New Jersey.

Technician Fourth Grade William S. Backo, 32340987, Infantry, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Yonkers, New York.

Technical Sergeant Ray V. Cunningham, 37447391, Infantry, Company "H", 409th Infantry Regiment, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Waterloo, Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade William B. Hanford, Jr., 36572488, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 928th Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Sergeant Franklin B. Lawrence, 19152590, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 928th Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: San Jose, California.

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Staff Sergeant William D. Leedy, 35363641, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 928th Field Artillery Battalion, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Goshen, Indiana.

First Sergeant Jack D. Pitt, 34496523, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 928th Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Paris, Tennessee.

Corporal James H. Murphy, 1A201042 (then Technician Fifth Grade), Field Artillery, Battery "C", 928th Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Macon, Georgia.

Sergeant Eddie L. Curry, 34464765, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 928th Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Fannville, North Carolina.

Technician Fifth Grade Charles C. Howard, 2D641522, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 928th Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Clawson, Michigan.

CAPTAIN EMANUEL A. OLSON, 0362408, Field Artillery, Headquarters 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 1 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France, and Germany. Residence: Lincoln, Nebraska.

FIRST LIEUTENANT ROBERT A. SCHABEL, 01167204, Field Artillery, Company "B", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 26 November 1944 to 6 May 1945 in France and Germany. Residence: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

FIRST LIEUTENANT WILLIAM R. LACHEY, 01822807, Field Artillery, Company "C", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 1 December 1944 to 7 May 1945 in France and Germany. Residence: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

FIRST LIEUTENANT SAMUEL L. PARSONS, 01823343, Cavalry, Headquarters 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 6 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Hingham, Massachusetts.

FIRST LIEUTENANT FUDMAN P. PLINT, 01824846, Infantry, Company "B", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 26 November 1944 to 6 May 1945 in France and Germany. Residence: Milton, Massachusetts.

FIRST LIEUTENANT GEORGE H. HAMMEL, 01822795, Field Artillery, Company "B", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 26 November 1944 to 6 May 1945 in France and Germany. Residence: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CAPTAIN PARKER C. FIELDER, 0441974, Inspector General's Department, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Austin, Texas.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL PIERCE;

G. S. MELOY, JR.,
 Colonel, U.S.A.,
 Chief of Staff.

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

Technician Fourth Grade John F. Buche, 37246758, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 23 April 1945 in Erkenbrechtswiller, Germany, Technician Buche, radio operator with a forward observer party, advanced through enemy lines after operating his radio from an exposed position. When two infantry companies were cut off from the battalion Technician Buche made his way under artillery and small arms fire to an exposed position and assisted in directing friendly fire which broke up the enemy counterattack, enabling the infantry to resume the attack. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Arma, Kansas.

Sergeant Edward C. Sears, 36713986, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 25 January 1945 near Schillersdorf, France, when heavy enemy pressure forced an infantry command post to withdraw, Sergeant Sears and his section were cut off. He reorganized his section and continued to fight the enemy. After one of the men was wounded and many attempts to reach him were halted by intense enemy fire and further attempts would have endangered his section, Sergeant Sears led the remainder of his men to safety. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Benton, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Orville W. Haberman, 37543630, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 23 April 1945 near Erkenbrechtswiller, Germany, Sergeant Haberman, forward observer, advanced through enemy lines to direct artillery fire. When two infantry companies were cut off from the Battalion, Sergeant Haberman made his way under artillery and small arms fire to an exposed position from which he directed friendly fire which broke up an enemy counterattack enabling the infantry to resume the attack. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Owatonna, Minnesota.

Private First Class Robert O. Parks, 32945052, Infantry, Company "E", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 22 April 1945, in the vicinity of Erkenbrechtswiller, Germany, Private Parks, machine gunner, was given the mission of supporting attacking riflemen in clearing the town of Erkenbrechtswiller. In the house to house fight that ensued, Private Parks, cognizant that he could give no aid from a covered position, ran into the streets of the town and fired his machine gun from the hip into the hostile emplacements. Private Parks' actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Pctadam, New York.

Private First Class Milton Martin, 32878963, Infantry, Company "E", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 16 November 1944, near La Belle, France, when a platoon had crossed a stream to secure a bridgehead, Private Martin noticed his wounded platoon leader lying in an exposed position. Disre-

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guarding the enemy fire, he carried the wounded man to safety and administered first aid. Unable to find litter bearers, he continued on with the platoon leader until he reached the Battalion Aid Station. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Brooklyn, New York.

Private First Class Harold G. Keep, 37326984, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic in action. On the night of 13 February 1945, while two platoons were raiding Nieffern, France, Private Keep was assigned the mission to guard the only bridge across a stream so the raiding party could return. As he was on guard the enemy fired a concentrated mortar barrage and machine gun fire on the bridge, making him leap into the icy water for protection. While in the water Private Keep repulsed two enemy attempts to take the bridge on which the raiding party safely withdrew. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Menasha, Minnesota.

Private First Class Walter J. Kahut, 39343409, Infantry, Company "L", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 19 January 1945 near Sessenheim, France, when heavy enemy pressure forced his platoon to withdraw, Private Kahut observed a comrade lying wounded in an exposed position. Despite continuous machine gun, sniper and mortar fire, he made his way to the casualty and succeeded in dragging him to safety where he administered first aid. His actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Woodburn, Oregon.

FIRST LIEUTENANT ALBERT A. EAGLER, 0430232, Infantry, Company "L", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 19 January 1945, near Sessenheim, France, when enemy machine gun fire and a heavy mortar barrage forced his platoon to withdraw, LIEUTENANT EAGLER went to the aid of a wounded man. Disregarding the enemy fire he dragged the wounded man over 500 yards of open terrain to safety and then made a dash to secure litter bearers. His actions which enabled the wounded man to be given immediate medical attention reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Hazelton, Pennsylvania.

SECOND LIEUTENANT MOSE L. HUSKEY, 02007019 (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company "G", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 30 November 1944 near Nethalten, France, when part of his platoon and an attached machine gun section were cut off from the company by small arms fire, LIEUTENANT HUSKEY voluntarily advanced through the hostile fire to his men. Observing numerous casualties, he organized three litter teams and evacuated seven wounded men. Guiding the men to the company, he then returned for the machine gun section and led it to the rifle platoons. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Wyandotte, Michigan.

Private First Class Loyd Kostreva, 36288448, Infantry, Company "L", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 19 January 1945 near Sessenheim, France, Company "L", 411th Infantry, was subjected to enemy automatic weapons, sniper and mortar fire, suffering many casualties. Private Kostreva, seeing a wounded man lying in an exposed position, disregarded the enemy fire and ran to the casualty's side and after four hours succeeded in dragging him to safety. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Pound, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade Charles R. Hess, 39287025, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On

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field to evacuate the wounded. Realizing that to prevent additional casualties the field should be marked he entered the mined area and marked a route. When a company was forced to withdraw he remained and guided the men along the cleared route. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Arcadia, California.

Sergeant Robert A. Hussey, 35788997, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 16 March 1945 near Gundershoffen, France, when the forward observer was pinned down by small arms and artillery fire, Sergeant Hussey advanced over 800 yards of fire-swept terrain with his radio. As a result of his action, communication was established and artillery fire was directed upon the enemy inflicting heavy casualties. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Sabina, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Paul T. Davenport, 20655375, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 24 January 1945 near Urwiller, France, when the enemy laid down an artillery barrage preparatory to an attack the direct line from the CP to the Fire Direction Center was broken. Sergeant Davenport on his own initiative and disregarding the enemy fire traced the line and repaired the break, establishing communications and enabling effective artillery fire to be directed into the enemy positions. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Madison, Wisconsin.

Private First Class Grover C. Black, Jr., 34922132, Infantry, Company "D", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 16 March 1945 near Gundershoffen, France, when a mortar and artillery barrage wounded Private Black and several of his comrades, he administered aid to all the casualties. Not until he was certain that all the wounded were cared for did he submit to evacuation himself. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Lyle, Tennessee.

Sergeant Edward S. Paxton, 36626112, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945 near Rothbach, France, when intense artillery, mortar and small arms fire inflicted many casualties upon attacking troops, Sergeant Paxton volunteered to assist in the evacuation of the wounded. Disregarding the enemy fire, he guided his men over mined areas and successfully evacuated the casualties. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class Peter J. Yasek, 35068197, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945 near Rothbach, France, when artillery, mortar and small arms fire inflicted heavy casualties upon our troops and the attached medical personnel were wounded, Private Yasek volunteered to aid and evacuate the wounded. Despite the enemy fire he crawled forward through a mine field to reach the side of a seriously wounded man. After administering first aid he assisted in the evacuation of the casualty. Private Yasek's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Warren, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant LeRoy E. Han, 34575120, Cavalry, 103d Reconnaissance Troop. For heroic achievement in action. On 21 April 1945 near Hegenlohe, Germany, when infantry units were pinned down by small arms and bazooka fire, Sergeant Han drove his thinly armored vehicle forward in the face of the enemy fire.

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His effective machine gun and 37 millimeter fire against the hostile positions enabled the infantrymen to move forward and seize their objective. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Marietta Georgia.

Private First Class Lawrence E. Schuette, 35248860, Infantry, Company "H", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 12 December 1944 near Woorth, France, when an artillery barrage pinned down a rifle company and severed a communications line. Private Schuette voluntarily crawled along the line to repair the break. Finding that communications could not be reestablished he exposed himself to the enemy fire and relayed arm and hand signals from the platoon leader to the mortars. His actions enabled fire to be directed upon the enemy emplacements, completely neutralizing them, and reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Napoleon, Ohio.

FIRST LIEUTENANT ROBERT E. SCHUELEK, 0545999, Infantry, Company "H", (then Company "G"), 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 21 March 1945, near Bobenthal, Germany, when Company "G", 411th Infantry was pinned down by machine gun fire and subjected to an artillery barrage. LIEUTENANT SCHUELEK moved forward to check the situation. While moving forward he was wounded in the arm and chest but continued on to contact the company command. When the order was given to withdraw LIEUTENANT SCHUELEK remained and assisted in supervising the withdrawal and the setting up of defensive positions. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Groton, South Dakota.

Staff Sergeant Edwin Wagner, 37326470 (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company "G", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 25 April 1945, when a quartering party, enroute to a captured town, approached Barnstadt, Germany, it was discovered to still be in enemy hands. Sergeant Wagner organized the quartering party and led the men into the town. Advancing ahead of the column, he demanded surrender. Although 12 of the enemy surrendered, Sergeant Wagner ordered the town patrolled. Again advancing down the street, he demanded the surrender of the town, resulting in the taking of 120 prisoners. Sergeant Wagner's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Mercer, North Dakota.

Staff Sergeant Noyle H. Davis, 36856820, Infantry, Company "L", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 15 March 1945, Company "L", 411th Infantry was clearing the enemy from Muhlhausen, France, when fire from an enemy machine gun killed and wounded several men. Sergeant Davis crawled through small arms fire to an advantageous position. Hurling two grenades, he knocked out the gun and killed the crew. Sergeant Davis' actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Boons, North Carolina.

Private First Class Orvil D. Talbot, 38571359, Infantry, Company "L", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 17 March 1945, near Gumbrechtshoffen, France, a squad from Company "L", 411th Infantry, attempting to contact an adjacent battalion, was pinned down by machine gun and mortar fire. Returning to his company for assistance, Private Talbot ran 200 yards through the intense fire. Although wounded twice, he continued on to his company. Orienting the men as to the location of his squad, he enabled the company to eliminate the enemy opposition. Private Talbot's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: McAlester, Oklahoma.

Sergeant Eugene J. Goldstein, 37482251 (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 21 January 1945,

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near Sessenheim, France; after several unsuccessful attempts to reach a wounded man lying in open and exposed terrain, Sergeant Goldstein, crawled 200 yards through machine gun, mortar and artillery fire to the casualty. He dragged the casualty to a nearby shell hole and, administering aid, carried him 200 yards to the cover of a woods where evacuation was possible. Sergeant Goldstein's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Fairbury, Nebraska.

FIRST LIEUTENANT ANTHONY D. FAMIGHETTI, 01054560 (then SECOND LIEUTENANT), Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Wertwiller, France, LIEUTENANT FAMIGHETTI was assigned the mission of installing two road blocks to frustrate enemy tank activity in the area. Under enemy fire he split his platoon into two sections and led one forward by creeping and crawling to the location of the proposed blockade. He supervised the placing of several anti-tank mines in direct observation and fire of the enemy. LIEUTENANT FAMIGHETTI's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Glen Head, New York.

FIRST LIEUTENANT JOSEPH T. LUZZI, 01324631, Infantry, Company "M" (then Company "D"), 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 16 December 1944, near Olinbach, France, when a call was received for mortar support, LIEUTENANT LUZZI crawled forward 250 yards, laying wire, through mortar and machine gun fire to establish an observation post. Before he could direct fire upon an enemy machine gun emplacement he was forced three times to repair breaks in his communication wire. Again disregarding the hostile fire he directed effective mortar fire, destroying the gun emplacement. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Pleasant Valley, New York.

FIRST LIEUTENANT EDWARD J. WILLIAMSON, 0545608, Infantry, Company "HF", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 21 April 1945, near Kirchheim, Germany, a motorized tank force was subjected to intense anti-tank, machine gun and small arms fire pinning the men to the ground. The lead vehicle received a direct hit from anti-tank fire, throwing LIEUTENANT WILLIAMSON to the ground. After being pinned down for four hours, he crawled 300 yards down a ditch to a vehicle and, turning it around, speeded over the fire-swept road to the battalion command post for aid. LIEUTENANT WILLIAMSON's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Oenka, South Dakota.

Technical Sergeant George H. Harsch, 20743123 (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company "CU", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 20 February 1945, near Schillerdorf, France, when his patrol made contact with the enemy he immediately threw two hand grenades into their midst, disorganizing them. During the action, when his rifle was hit by automatic weapons fire, he discarded it and grabbing a BAR returned the fire of the enemy forcing their withdrawal, leaving four dead behind. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Ottumwa, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant Robert D. Kramer, 36674134 (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 15 March 1945, near Muhlhausen, France, when Company "A", 411th Infantry was pinned down by enemy machine gun and small arms fire, Sergeant Kramer crawled forward to locate the enemy positions. Locating the positions he directed a machine gun squad to fire and then crawling forward he threw two grenades eliminating the strongpoint.

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Continuing the attack, he turned the enemy machine gun on the fleeing German troops inflicting numerous casualties. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Elgin, Illinois.

Sergeant Emerson B. Andrews, 36412790 (then Technician Fifth Grade), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 16 November 1944 near La Belle, France, when an intense mortar and artillery barrage wounded all aid men caring for wounded in a barn, Sergeant Andrews volunteered to obtain such needed medical supplies. Disregarding the enemy fire, he ran and crawled over 150 yards of open terrain and returned with the supplies. After assisting in the administering of aid, he again braved the enemy fire to traverse 500 yards and led litter bearers to the barn. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Jackson, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant William L. Hancock, 18073354, Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 18 February 1945, in the vicinity of Zuteendorf, France, elements of the 103d Reconnaissance Platoon needed a guide to lead them through a friendly mine field in order to contact the enemy. Sergeant Hancock volunteered to lead the platoon forward. In the process of the move the group was subjected to enemy fire, wounding Sergeant Hancock and several of his companions. Despite his own wounds and oblivious of the fire that swept the area, he crawled to the nearest wounded man and carried him to safety. Observing another wounded man, he once again braved the fire swept terrain and carried him to safety. Sergeant Hancock's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Corona, New Mexico.

Sergeant Harvey D. Montgomery, 37099820 (then Corporal), Infantry, Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Griesbach, France, Sergeant Montgomery was given the mission to knock out an enemy emplacement that was impeding the progress of assault forces. He crawled over open terrain under enemy fire until he observed the fire coming from a nearby house. He crawled to a position beneath the window and fired upon the enemy knocking out a machine gun. As a result of this heroic action assault elements stormed the house and captured 18 of the enemy. Sergeant Montgomery's actions reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Prescott, Arkansas.

Staff Sergeant Lyle F. Smith, 32668347, Field Artillery, Company "A", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 23 December 1944 to 30 January 1945, in France. Residence: Rome, New York.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL WICES:

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

Corporal Richard P. Treccart, 3269048, Field Artillery, Company "C", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion. For gallantry in action. On 14 April 1945, near Ober Heinriet, Germany, when enemy fire caused collapse of a wall on a destroyer wounding two crew members, Corporal Treccart ran 100 yards, disregarding the enemy small arms fire, to secure an aid man. Returning, he, along with two crew members, got the destroyer into action and greatly assisted the Infantry in repelling a counterattack. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: St. Albans, New York.

Sergeant Nicholas Simchock, 32689938, Field Artillery, Company "C", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion. For gallantry in action. On 7 April 1945, in Heilbronn, Germany, Sergeant Simchock, Tank Destroyer Commander, disregarding the intense enemy fire, reconnoitered for a position to fire on enemy infantry. Although the position was greatly exposed and under artillery fire, Sergeant Simchock and his crew destroyed the buildings which the enemy was using as a strongpoint, thus enabling our Infantry to advance and take the block. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: St. Albans, New York.

SECOND LIEUTENANT ANTON MOSER, 01062029, Infantry, Company "D", 410th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 15 March 1945, near Engwiller, France, LIEUTENANT MOSER, mortar observer, disregarding enemy sniper and machine gun fire, made his way ahead of the advancing troops and through his directions the mortars knocked out two enemy machine gun emplacements and one enemy artillery piece. He then sent back information to the advancing elements that enabled them to move forward much faster and with less casualties. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: West Allis, Wisconsin.

SECOND LIEUTENANT JAMES K. LUCK, JR., 0546869, Infantry, Company "A", 410th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On the night of 13 March 1945 near Kindwiller, France, LIEUTENANT LUCK led a patrol deep into enemy territory to locate a safe passage for advancing troops. Crawling on hands and knees, he marked routes around mine fields. Despite flares, he continued on, often approaching within 30 yards of hostile emplacements. LIEUTENANT LUCK approached his final objective, guided by sounds as the enemy prepared two emplacements and determined the types of weapons and the strengths of the crews. He then returned to friendly lines with the vital information on which to base an attack. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Atlanta, Georgia.

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CAPTAIN JAMES L. PEPPER, 01300075, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 22 March 1945, near Nieder Schlettenbach, Germany, when Company "C", 411th Infantry, supported by armor, was stopped by an enemy road block, CAPTAIN PEPPER, Company Commander, ran forward, guided the tanks around the road block and directed fire that knocked out three pill boxes. Then leading the assault platoon he overran two enemy anti-tank weapons, capturing the crews. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Bloomfield, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant Edward Matkevich, 12226921, Infantry, Company "L", 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 19 January 1945, in the vicinity of Epsenhain, France, as the first platoon of Company "L" was going forward in a tank supported attack it came under intense fire, knocking out several tanks and inflicting severe casualties. Sergeant Matkevich, squad leader, seized a bazooka from a fallen man and hastened into town under a devastating enemy barrage. Making a key point of observation, he spotted an enemy emplacement that was causing the difficulty and with two well placed bazooka shots knocked out the gun and killed the crew. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Long Island City, New York.

FIRST LIEUTENANT FLOYD G. HILLER, 01325292, Infantry, Company "G", (then Cannon Company), 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 21 March 1945 near Nieder Schlettenbach, Germany, when an attacking rifle company was pinned down by enemy small arms and mortar fire, LIEUTENANT HILLER crawled forward 200 yards to direct cannon fire into the enemy positions. Although drawing constant fire, he set up his radio and directed fire upon the enemy which endangered himself due to the closeness of his fire to the enemy. His accurate direction of fire forced two enemy self-propelled guns to withdraw and neutralized hostile emplacements enabling the companies to continue the advance. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Wheeling, West Virginia.

Sergeant Peter J. Montessi, 11107336, Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 20 March 1945, near Nieder Schlettenbach, Germany, after leading his machine gun squad to within 25 yards of an enemy pill box, Sergeant Montessi was pinned down by intense machine gun fire in an attempt to attack the emplacement from the blind side. He returned to his squad, advanced frontally and neutralized the emplacement. Leading his men to the crest of a hill, Sergeant Montessi crawled 75 yards under covering fire from his men and, although pinned down by sniper, machine gun and mortar fire, successfully neutralized another enemy position with grenades. Sergeant Montessi's actions, which cleared a route of advance for his company, reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Springfield, Massachusetts.

Sergeant John Brown, 36623692, Cavalry, 103d Reconnaissance Troop. For gallantry in action. On 1 and 2 May 1945, in an attack from Schornitz to Auland, Austria, Sergeant Brown was in the lead vehicle making reconnaissance ahead of the attacking infantry. Moving forward in the face of sniper, machine gun and panzer-fist fire he made possible the rapid movement of the foot troops. When enemy fire forced his halt, he went forward alone, on foot to determine the enemy position and then returned to his vehicle and personally manned a machine gun. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Highland Park, Illinois.

Private First Class Everett J. Mathus, 16143232, (then Private), Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 24 April 1945, near Honsu, Germany, when his company was halted by automatic weapons fire, Private

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Mathes crawled forward 50 yards and captured an enemy sniper. Ordering the enemy soldier to call his commanding officer, Private Mathes told the officer that his unit was surrounded and demanded their surrender. The officer gave the cease firing order and under Private Mathes' directions assembled and surrendered his entire command of 74 men. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Joliet, Illinois.

Sergeant Marshal A. Woolson, 35839060, (then Private First Class), Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 16 March 1945 near Gumbrechtshaffen, France, two platoons of Company "A", 411th Infantry, were pinned down by machine gun and small arms fire. Sergeant Woolson, disregarding the enemy fire, moved from his flank position and firing his machine gun from the hip forced the enemy to surrender. His actions which enabled the company to continue its advance reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Indianapolis, Indiana.

Staff Sergeant Edward G. Gaidziejko, 32923085, Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 15 March 1945 near Offwiller, France, when his patrol was ambushed by the enemy, Sergeant Gaidziejko withdrew his men, organized them and then led them in a counterattack. Despite machine gun and mortar fire he continued the attack killing four and wounding seven and forcing the remainder of the enemy to flee. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Kearney, New Jersey.

Private First Class Lester H. Moore, Jr., 33858516, Infantry, Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 15 March 1945 near Muhlhausen, France, when Private Moore saw two members of his assault team hit by small arms fire he immediately started crawling toward the source of enemy fire. Approaching to within 15 yards of the enemy emplacement, he opened fire with his BAR killing three of the enemy and forcing 15 to surrender. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Newport News, Virginia.

Private Albert L. Richardson, 3973266A, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 928th Field Artillery Battalion. For gallantry in action. On 17 March 1945 near Nehwiller, France, when a rifle company was subjected to heavy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire, forcing the men to withdraw, Private Richardson, forward observer, advanced 250 yards beyond the company to an advantageous position. Directing artillery fire, he neutralized an enemy strongpoint, enabling the company to continue its advance. Private Richardson's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Dinuba, California.

II - AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended the bronze Oak-leaf Cluster to Silver Star is awarded to following named individual:

CAPTAIN FREDERICK FIRESTONE, 0550046, (then FIRST LIEUTENANT), Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 29 November 1944, on the outskirts of Barr, France, informed that a seriously wounded man could not be evacuated, CAPTAIN FIRESTONE, Battalion Surgeon, secured a plasma set and ran 100 yards through hostile fire to the casualty and administered aid. Late in the day, after several unsuccessful attempts to reach a seriously wounded tank commander lying in a fire-swept street, CAPTAIN FIRESTONE ran from house to house until directly opposite the casualty. He then crawled into the street and dragged the man into a building where he administered aid. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Bronx, New York.

III -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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 following named individuals:

SECOND LIEUTENANT FORREST H. McCOLLUM, O2006354, (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 17 March 1945 near Mattstal, France, when rations were needed by the Second Battalion, LIEUTENANT McCOLLUM voluntarily drove the ration truck forward. Driving over mined roads and under constant mortar, artillery and sniper fire, he succeeded in reaching the Battalion with the vitally needed rations. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Des Moines, Iowa.

Sergeant Clifford McLachlan, 36412312, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 383d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945 near Miesheim, France, Sergeant McLachlan throughout the day constantly exposed himself to small arms, sniper and machine gun fire, passing through artillery barrages to keep his radio up forward. As a result of his actions close supporting artillery fire was given to the infantry materially contributing to the success of the attack. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Flint, Michigan.

CAPTAIN ANTHONY P. NUTKUSAS, O1296046, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 20 March 1945 during an attack near Nieder Schlettenbach, Germany, CAPTAIN NUTKUSAS, acting Battalion Executive Officer, drove forward to coordinate the attack with the new battalion commander. When his vehicle was struck by sniper fire, he dashed into a basement. Although all entrances were covered by snipers, he crawled through a window and, despite artillery fire, dashed over open ground to a rifle company. He then contacted the battalion commander by telephone and assisted in planning the attack. CAPTAIN NUTKUSAS' actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant Horace H. Hastings, 32225251, (then Technician Fifth Grade), Infantry, Company "F", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 16 March 1945 near Gundershoffen, France, Sergeant Hastings' squad was subjected to artillery, mortar, small arms and machine gun fire, suffering several casualties. When the squad leader also became a casualty, Sergeant Hastings, assistant squad leader, took command, redistributed the ammunition and reorganized the men. Sergeant Hastings' actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Amelia, Virginia.

Private First Class Louis G. Chilson, Jr., 16176345, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 20 March 1945 near Nieder Schlettenbach, Germany, Private Chilson, despite artillery and mortar barrages and sniper fire, which inflicted several casualties upon his company, laid a communication line from the rear command post to the observation post. Although the line was constantly severed by the frequent artillery and mortar barrages, he made numerous trips to repair the breaks. Within a 24 hour period, Private Chilson laid six lines over the 300 yards of fire-swept terrain. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class George T. Walters, 36680367, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 16 March 1945 near Zinswiller, France, when an artillery and mortar barrage severed communication lines between attacking rifle companies, Private Walters went forward to locate and repair the line. Carrying a heavy reel of wire and harassed by sniper fire, he succeeded in repairing the break. When a friendly

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tank hit a mine while he was returning from his mission. Private Walters released the trapped crew from the burning tank before it sustained a direct artillery hit. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Forest Park, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade Melvin P. Green, 20513406, (then Private First Class) Field Artillery, Battery "A", 928th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 17 February 1945 near Rothbach, France, when an infantry outpost was ambushed and a guard seriously wounded, Technician Green and one other man volunteered to lead the infantry relief to the outpost. Encountering and successfully bypassing three enemy patrols, they led the infantry relief to their outpost. Technician Green then assisted in the evacuation of the casualty over an extremely precipitous mountain. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Athens, Ohio.

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

Technical Sergeant Sigmund M. Cieszkowski, 36549230, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 21 March 1945 near Nieder Schlettenbach, Germany, when Company "B", 411th Infantry, was pinned down by heavy machine gun and artillery fire, Sergeant Cieszkowski saw one of his men wounded. He ran to the casualty, dragged him into a shell hole and administered first aid. Quickly summoning the aid of another man, he constructed a hasty litter and carried the wounded man to safety through continuous machine gun fire. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade Herah E. Horwitz, 36201559, Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 20 March 1945, in the vicinity of Nieder Schlettenbach, Germany, a patrol was pinned to the ground by enemy machine gun and rifle fire. As the patrol reached a covered position to return the fire, Technician Horwitz observed two medical aid men attached to the patrol pinned down in an exposed position about 200 yards to the rear. Without hesitation Technician Horwitz seized a machine gun, ran the 200 yards to the position of the aid men and began spraying the enemy with fire. His daring and accuracy succeeded in destroying the enemy emplacement and allowed the aid men to rejoin the patrol unscathed. Technician Horwitz's outstanding valor reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

FIRST LIEUTENANT WILLIAM J. KASPER, 01314921, Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 16 November 1944, during the attack on La Belle, France, LIEUTENANT KASPER's platoon was subjected to direct artillery fire from well-camouflaged enemy strongholds. LIEUTENANT KASPER quickly deployed his men and continued on to ascertain the exact enemy positions. After a fire fight in which four of the enemy were killed, LIEUTENANT KASPER gained control of a house and called the platoon forward. Missing one man, he went out to locate him and found him in a shell-shocked condition. While carrying him to cover, he noticed a fire started by tracers in the rear of the building occupied by his men and evacuated them. LIEUTENANT KASPER's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: New Bedford, Massachusetts.

Technician Third Grade Russell N. Gunderson, 17169803, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 December 1944, near Clinbach, France, when an extremely heavy enemy artillery and mortar barrage hit their area, Technician Gunderson, on his own volition, administered first aid and assisted the wounded to a defiladed position where they were evacuated. His actions which saved the lives of eleven comrades reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Burbank, South Dakota.

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Technical Sergeant Gordon E. Smith, 163M4109, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 15 March 1945 near Muhlhausen, France, Sergeant Smith's platoon was pinned down by intense enemy automatic and small arms fire and his BAR man was seriously wounded. When a medical aid man was not available, Sergeant Smith, disregarding the enemy fire, made his way to the casualty and administered first aid. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Maywood, Illinois.

FIRST LIEUTENANT LUCIEN P. GRDOYNE, 01302868, Infantry, Company "M", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 25 November 1944 during an attack on Jasso, France, LIEUTENANT GRDOYNE was leading his machine gun section in support of a rifle company against determined enemy resistance when he observed a platoon of an adjacent company pinned down by intense hostile fire. Dashing to each machine gun, he ordered two of the squads to direct their fire in support of the pinned down platoon. He then shouted instructions for the platoon leader to withdraw his men. LIEUTENANT GRDOYNE's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Ponchatoula, Louisiana.

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

Technician Fifth Grade John H. Soay, 38416691, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 928th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 2 December 1944 near Epfig, France, artillery fire held up a party on reconnaissance for battery positions. Technician Soay, radio operator, disregarding the exploding artillery shells, remained in an exposed position, maintaining communications with the battalion. Technician Soay remained at his post until he was mortally wounded by an artillery burst. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Bryan, Texas. Next of kin: Mrs. John H. Soay, (Wife), 400 South Maxwell Drive, Bryan, Texas.

VI -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, REVOCATION. So much of Section III, General Orders 145, this Headquarters, dated 25 May 1945, as pertains to award of Bronze Star Medal to Sergeant Earl W. Brownell, 36231158, Armored, Company "B", 781st Tank Battalion, is revoked.

VII -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART, REVOCATION. So much of General Order No. 72, this Headquarters, dated 27 February 1945, as pertains to award of Purple Heart to Technician Fourth Grade Paul T. Campbell, 14188410, Service Company, 410th Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

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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 following named individuals:

Technician Fourth Grade Alonzo T. Latham, 12040933, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Gundershoffen, France, Technician Latham, aid man, advanced with attacking infantry elements when the assault elements came under an enemy barrage. Despite the severity of the fire, Technician Latham repeatedly left his covered position to give aid to the wounded. He continued to administer aid until wounded by the enemy. Technician Latham's actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Staten Island, New York.

Private First Class Donald T. Krider, 36829253, Infantry, Company "H", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Gundershoffen, France, Private Krider, ammunition bearer, observing three men wounded in an enemy mine field, slowly picked his way through the field to their aid. In darkness he plotted his way out of the field and carried one of the wounded men over 1500 yards to safety. He then led a group forward to the remaining wounded men and directed their evacuation. Private Krider's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Arigo, Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant Jessie F. Williams, 34205636, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 16 March 1945, near Gundershoffen, France, when Company "A", 411th Infantry, was halted by automatic weapons fire, the first and second platoons were forced to take cover. Sergeant Williams rose to his feet and in the face of enemy fire led a machine gun squad delivering flanking fire upon the enemy. His actions which forced the enemy to withdraw reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Tampa, Florida.

Staff Sergeant Clayton J. Hagemann, 36714973, (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 3 February 1945, during a raid on Rothbach, France, Company "C", 411th Infantry, was caught in a heavy concentration of artillery fire and suffered many casualties. Sergeant Hagemann although shocked by the explosion of shells reorganized his machine gun section and led it from the area. Sergeant Hagemann, disregarding the hostile fire, assisted in the evacuation of the wounded. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Naperville, Illinois.

Corporal Jack J. Griffin, 36412605, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 932d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 24 April 1945, near Hilben, Germany, when communication was needed to adjust artillery fire, Corporal Griffin volunteered to set up his radio on the top floor of a building which was the target for enemy mortar and small arms fire. Despite direct hits on the building by mortars and continuous sniper fire, he remained directing fire missions. As a result of the artillery fire, the town was surrendered without further opposition. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Kalamazoo, Michigan.

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Technical Sergeant Hayden B. Holsonback, 34573092, Infantry, Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 10 December 1944 near Grisebach, France, when his platoon was pinned down by mortar and small arms fire, Sergeant Holsonback remained behind with his BAR covering the ordered withdrawal. As the last man, he withdrew under heavy small arms fire, permitting the entire platoon to withdraw with a minimum of casualties. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Rome, Georgia.

Sergeant Thomas J. Scholzen, 37324223, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery 382d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 23 April 1945, when infantry elements entered Eckenbrechtsweller, Germany, to relieve a surrounded battalion and artillery fire was needed to break up a counterattack, the forward observer's radio battery went dead. Sergeant Scholzen volunteered to bring a new battery to the forward observer's position. Although pinned down twice by enemy fire, he succeeded in crossing 300 yards of open terrain to deliver the vitally needed battery. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Iobridge, South Dakota.

Staff Sergeant Francis J. Hudak, 36713397, Infantry, Company "L", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 25 January 1945, near Schillersdorf, France, Sergeant Hudak's platoon after having routed 20 of the enemy was pinned down by small arms and machine gun fire. When the intense fire wounded all but one man of his squad, Sergeant Hudak crawled from man to man administering aid and helping them to a ditch. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Joliet, Illinois.

Private First Class Eugene E. Adankiewicz, 36715907, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 24 April 1945, in the vicinity of Bunsingen, Germany, Private Adankiewicz, medical aid man, responded to a call for aid man when a forward vehicle was struck by enemy mortar fire. Oblivious of the intense barrage that was falling about him, Private Adankiewicz quickly and efficiently administered first aid to the wounded man. In great personal danger, Private Adankiewicz carefully placed the injured man in a medical vehicle and drove him to an aid station. Private Adankiewicz's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class Wilmar L. Kruger, 37474555, Infantry, Company "H", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 23 April 1945, in the vicinity of Neuffon, Germany, the second battalion was pinned down by intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire. Private Kruger, machine gunner, oblivious of the intense enemy fire manned his machine gun, firing with deadly accuracy into the hostile emplacements. His daring and accuracy neutralized one of the strongpoints and forced others to be withdrawn. Private Kruger's outstanding valor reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: North Bend, Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant Harold L. Kistler, Jr., 32927444, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ebersheim, France, two platoons of attacking infantry were pinned down by intense enemy fire inflicting severe casualties among the infantrymen. As communications were disrupted to the Company Command Post by the severity of the fire, Sergeant Kistler volunteered to brave the intense enemy fire to report the location of the hostile strongpoint and direct aid to the wounded. He successfully accomplished his mission, neutralizing the enemy strongpoints and summoning immediate aid for the wounded. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Newark, New Jersey.

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CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER WILLIAM JONES, #2108666, USA, Headquarters Company, 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Mortzwiller, France, WARRANT OFFICER JONES, Assistant Communications Officer, informed that wire communications were to be established without delay over the Zentell River in order that the attack could be pressed forward, selected two men and carefully made his way to the bank of the river. As the group approached the bank of the river enemy machine gun and small arms fire blasted their position. Directing the men to cover, WARRANT OFFICER JONES waited until the firing subsided, dashed into the river and with his men successfully laid the wire. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Shreveport, Louisiana.

Technical Sergeant Sanford H. Logue, 37244546, Infantry, Company "E", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 24 April 1945, when his platoon was halted by intense sniper and machine gun fire from high ground during an attack on Honau, Germany, Sergeant Logue advanced through the hostile fire to reconnoiter a route of approach. Locating a drainage ditch, he returned to his men and led them into the town. He again exposed himself to enemy fire, locating and directing mortar fire on the hostile positions as he led his men down the streets. Sergeant Logue's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Marcelona, Missouri.

Technician Fourth Grade William V. Tynor, 37466592, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 928th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 17 February 1945 near Rothbach, France, when an infantry outpost was ambushed and a guard seriously wounded, Technician Tynor and one other man volunteered to lead the infantry relief to the outpost. Encountering and successfully bypassing three enemy patrols, they led the infantry relief to their outpost. Technician Tynor then assisted in the evacuation of the casualty over an extremely precipitous mountain. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Sherandoah, Iowa.

Private James G. Safford, Jr., 11066905, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 928th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in action. On 22 November 1944 near Stulcy, France, when artillery fire severed the communication line between the forward observer post and the fire direction center, Private Safford volunteered to repair the breaks. Despite being knocked from his feet by the concussion of heavy artillery fire, Private Safford repaired the breaks, enabling the observer to adjust needed artillery fire. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: South Dartmouth, Massachusetts.

FIRST LIEUTENANT LAURENCE B. JARNAGIN, 01318046, (then SECOND LIEUTENANT), Infantry, Company "F", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 12 March 1945 near Muhlhausen, France, LIEUTENANT JARNAGIN led a volunteer patrol one and a half miles into enemy lines to obtain information for a later attack. After personally reconnoitering uncharted mine fields, he led his men forward to an anti-tank position. Finding the position unoccupied, he continued on, and although fired upon by an enemy machine gun, he made a complete reconnaissance of the enemy positions. Forced to bypass enemy strongpoints, the patrol returned with valuable information on which was based a subsequent successful attack. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Washington Court House, Ohio.

Sergeant Ralph B. Loflin, 20446570, (then Corporal), Infantry, Company "H", 410th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 22 April 1945, when the enemy counterattacked during the night and surrounded elements of the 410th Infantry at Breckenrechtswiller, Germany, Sergeant Loflin, heavy machine gunner, destroyed one hostile vehicle of a convoy attempting to enter the town, killing one of the occupants and wounding another. Although his gun was struck four times by hostile

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fire, he remained in his position until morning when the rifle companies arrived driving the enemy back. Sergeant LeFila's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Chatham, Louisiana.

Private First Class Donald Sicko, 6945324, Infantry, Company "C", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 28 November 1944, near Berr, France, when enemy fire pinned Company "C", 411th Infantry, to the ground, Private Sicko was wounded. Concealing his own wound, he assisted the company sign men in administering first aid to 12 of his comrades, and not until all the wounded had been cleared from the area did he reveal the severity of his own wound. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class Hilbert T. Tuttle, 34516035, Infantry, Company "C", 411 Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. On 19 December 1944, near Ralschshoffen, Germany, when Private Tuttle was seriously wounded in the side by shell fragments as his company was attacking a pill box on the crest of a hill, he refused to be evacuated and continued firing his BAR, plugging the enemy down so that it was possible for aid men to reach two wounded men and assist them to safety. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Dorchester, South Carolina.

FIRST LIEUTENANT GEORGE H. PAETZ, 01318621, Infantry, Company "A", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 20 March 1945 in the vicinity of Nieder Schlettenbach, Germany, LIEUTENANT PAETZ with his company was occupying a captured pill box. Without warning a friendly tank began firing on the pill box not realizing that it had been taken by our troops. LIEUTENANT PAETZ left the pill box and dashed across an open field to the friendly tank. He stopped the fire on the pill box and then, climbing to the top of the tank, directed effective fire on two hostile pill boxes adjoining the captured one. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Dayton, Ohio.

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

Sergeant Earl V. Brownell, 36231158, Armored, Company "B", 781st Tank Battalion. For heroism in action. On 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Obersiefeshelm, Germany, Sergeant Brownell, tank commander, with members of his crew, maneuvered the tank across an open field in direct fire of the enemy in order to afford a patrol of pinned down infantrymen protection. In the face of intense machine gun fire both the tank and the patrol successfully withdrew. Sergeant Brownell's actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

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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 Fourth Grade Vincent T. Mues, 32698853, Field Artillery, Company "A", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion. For gallantry in action. During the period 31 December 1944 to 1 January 1945, near Hostenback, Germany, Sergeant Mues, half-track driver, informed of an imminent counterattack, was ordered to withdraw with his vehicle. As he moved to the rear the vehicles were subjected to an intense barrage of enemy mortar fire. Sergeant Mues maneuvered his vehicle through the fire successfully but the vehicle behind him was struck by mortar fire and put out of action temporarily. Sergeant Mues left his own vehicle in cover, went to the road junction and amid a hail of enemy fire drove the stalled vehicle to safety. He continued to drive it for the remainder of the night from position under constant enemy machine gun, small arms, artillery and mortar fire thereby saving the gun and its crew. Sergeant Mues' actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Woodhaven, New York.

Private Edwin J. Fiedler, 36780719, Field Artillery, Company "A", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion. For gallantry in action. On 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uhrwiller, France, Private Fiedler, a connecor of a three-inch towed gun, while placing his gun into position was subjected to an intense barrage of enemy artillery. Having had no time in which to seek protection or dig in, casualties were mounting rapidly. Observing a wounded comrade lying in an exposed position on the open terrain Private Fiedler dashed to the side of the wounded man and carried him 75 yards through deep and slippery mud under constant enemy fire to reach an evacuation vehicle. Private Fiedler's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Belleville, Illinois.

Sergeant Joseph V. Harte, 32698951, Field Artillery, Company "C", 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion. For gallantry in action. On 14 April 1945, in the vicinity of Ober Heindorf, Germany, Sergeant Harte and his crew were subjected to intense enemy artillery fire which blasted the wall of a house down on them. Despite injuries to the crew, Sergeant Harte, himself injured, directed the extrication of the vehicle in order that they would be able to accompany infantry units going forward to repulse a counterattack. Although the guns were damaged beyond their ability to fire, Sergeant Harte drove his vehicle forward and succeeded in assisting in the repulsion of the enemy's proposed counterattack. Sergeant Harte's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Brooklyn, New York.

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

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LIEUTENANT COLONEL GORDON K. SMITH, 0360508, Finance Department, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Santa Monica, California.

Technician Fifth Grade Clifford J. Pogoss, 36336240, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 103d Infantry Division, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Scales Mound, Illinois.

Technical Sergeant Henry J. Daluga, 36713220, Quartermaster Corps, 103d Quartermaster Company, from 8 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Chicago, Illinois.

CAPTAIN HAROLD P. PAGIA, 01310486, Infantry, Headquarters VI Corps (then Service Company, 411th Infantry Regiment), from 10 November 1944 to 30 March 1945 in France and Germany. Residence: Richland, Iowa.

CHAPLAIN (LIEUTENANT COLONEL) HARRY C. KONAHD, 0370707, Corps of Chaplains, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Wilmette, Illinois.

FRED HURT, Field Director, American Red Cross, from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Beckley, West Virginia.

MAJOR GEORGE W. LOVELESS, 01310126 (then CAPTAIN), General Staff Corps (Infantry), Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 1 January to 8 May 1945 in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Mattoon, Illinois.

CAPTAIN DUANE C. LYON, 0129915, Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 103d Infantry Division, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Battle Creek, Michigan.

CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER HENRY A. WIGLAND, W2105549, Band Leader, 103d Infantry Division Band, from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: New York, New York.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL JAMES W. EASTON, 0910619, Medical Corps, Headquarters 103d Infantry Division, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France, Germany and Austria. Residence: Akron, Ohio.

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

Private John M. Ritzler, 36882102, Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 November 1944 to 28 January 1945 in France. Residence: Detroit, Michigan. Next of kin: Mrs. Ruth Ritzler (Wife), 3575 Frederick Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

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