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GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 152)

19 December 1944

CHRISTMAS MESSAGES

1. The following special Christmas messages have been received from the Commander-in-Chief, the President of the United States:

TO OUR ILL AND WOUNDED FIGHTERS

"With a deep personal sense of obligation I welcome the privilege of sending to you this Christmas day, a message of admiration and affection. You have given of your blood and health to restore to Christmas its meaning and to make the spirit of Christmas genuinely prevail throughout the world. It takes courage to fight on a battle front and it takes courage to fight from a hospital bed. We would not cheapen your hours of heroism by wishing you a "Merry Christmas" but we wish you to know that we are with you in spirit, in comradeship and in faith."

TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE ARMED FORCES

"On behalf of a grateful Nation, I send to the men and women of our Armed Forces everywhere warm and confident good wishes this 4th Christmas of War. On Christmas Day more than on any other day, we remember you with pride and with humility; with anguish and with joy. We shall keep on remembering you all the days of our lives.

It is, therefore, with solemn pride that I salute those who stand in the forefront of the struggle to bring back to a suffering world the way of life symbolized by the spirit of Christmas."

(signed) FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

2. It is desired that the President's messages be read or otherwise brought to the personal attention of all personnel of this command on the morning of Christmas Day.

By command of Lieutenant General McNARNEY:

MILLER G. WHITE,
Major General, GSC
Acting Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

[Signature]
C. W. CHRISTENSEN
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20 December 1944

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

1. The following Special Christmas Message has been received from General of the Army George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff, United States Army:

"Since my Christmas message a year ago a great change has come over the Army. In Europe our troops with the British are attacking the enemy along a thousand mile front. American bombers and fighters are covering all of Germany. In the Pacific more and more troops and planes are being deployed against the enemy, and with the tremendous blows of the Navy, the liberation of the Philippines is now well within our reach. In Burma and China, American planes are punishing the Japs with the vigorous support of our ground echelons. The nation is thankful for the victories of recent months, for the magnificent work and sacrifices of the men in the field. The people are very proud of the Army and they have great confidence in its ability to crush the enemy's final resistance.

This Christmas message goes to every man and woman in the service with my personal thanks for what each of you is doing for the honor and security of AMERICA and for the liberation of oppressed people throughout the world. I am aware of the hardships and the hazards that are your daily portion and I am conscious of the price you pay for every victory. May the Lord watch over you and may you find, wherever you are, some cheer in this Christmas season."

2. It is desired that the message of the Chief of Staff be read or otherwise brought to the attention of all personnel of this command on the morning of Christmas Day.

By command of Lieutenant General McNARNEY:

MILLER G. WHITE,
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21 December 1944

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

1. The following Special Christmas Message has been received from The Honorable Henry L. Stimson, Secretary of War:

"At this Christmas season the thoughts of the entire nation are with the troops. The candles which burn in the windows are beamed straight from the heart of AMERICA to the men and women in uniform. Wherever you are stationed, it is your Christmas that we hope to share.

I have a very personal knowledge of your service and your sacrifices. I have been with you on distant fronts where your courage has overcome the fiercest resistance of the enemy. The pride I feel in your valor has been deepened by the evidence of your humanity and your dignity in foreign lands. In liberated areas, I have seen the gratitude of people whom you have rescued from the oppression and misery engendered by a savage foe. This year, because of you, the meaning of Christmas has been restored to them.

From millions of homes the spirit of Christmas flows out to the Posts and Bases and Battle lines where Americans serve throughout the world. From thousands of altars the nation offers up its prayers for you in the midst of War. In sending you my warmest greetings I express the admiration of a grateful nation for your courage and fortitude. Through you the joy of Christmas will return once more to a world at peace."

2. It is desired that this message be read or otherwise brought to the attention of all personnel of this command on the morning of Christmas Day.

By command of Lieutenant General McNARNEY:

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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16 December 1944

ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMANDING GENERAL FIFTH ARMY

Announcement is made of the appointment of Lieutenant General LUCIAN K. THOMSON, JR., 07096, USA, as Commanding General, Fifth Army, vice Lieutenant General MARK W. CLARK, 05309, USA.

By command of Lieutenant General McNARNEY:

MILLER G. WHITE,
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GENERAL ORDERS)
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23 November 1944

- Announcement of Chief Ordnance Officer I
- Announcement of Provost Marshal General II
- Award of Soldier's Medal III
- Award of Legion of Merit IV

I ---- ANNOUNCEMENT OF CHIEF ORDNANCE OFFICER

Announcement is made of the appointment of Brigadier General JOHN W. CONFEY, O8584, USA, as Chief Ordnance Officer, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, United States Army, effective 11 November 1944.

II --- ANNOUNCEMENT OF PROVOST MARSHAL GENERAL

Announcement is made of the appointment of Colonel WALTER A. HARDIE, O100765, CIP, as Provost Marshal General, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, United States Army, effective 4 November 1944, vice Brigadier General JOSEPH V. DILLON, O12836, USA, relieved.

III -- AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Soldier's Medal was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officer:

WILLIAM E. ELA, O307190, Lieutenant Colonel, Quartermaster Corps, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 61st Quartermaster Base Depot, for heroism near Gaeta, Italy, on 8 July 1944. While making an inspection of battlefields for salvage materials, in the company of an officer and a civilian employee, two enemy land-mines exploded, seriously injuring both of Lieutenant Colonel Ela's companions. Even though some distance from the injured parties, and despite the obvious possibility of further mines within the area, he demonstrated complete disregard for his own life by moving quickly but carefully to the injured persons. The officer's leg was mangled and lesser wounds of the body were conspicuous by a profuse loss of blood, while the civilian had suffered less critical injuries. With a rapidity and confidence which subsequently proved the determining factor in saving the life of the wounded officer, Lieutenant Colonel Ela rendered first aid and then left in search of qualified medical aid. He returned and guided trained personnel through the mine field and aided in rendering the necessary treatment. The inherent courage and selflessness displayed by this officer and his prompt and intelligent decision in the face of great crisis reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Entered service from Squantum, Massachusetts.

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IV --- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

JUDD W. LaFERTE, 17036403, Technician Fourth Grade, 2602d Publications Depot, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 May 1943 to 31 October 1944. Entered service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

LLOYD E. GETCHELL, 38016122, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for services in Sicily and Italy from 10 July 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Stigler, Oklahoma.

JOHN H. BROWN, W2104649, Chief Warrant Officer, Adjutant General's Section, Communications Zone, North African Theater of Operations, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 January to 30 June 1944. Entered service from Seattle, Washington.

DAVID J. JONES, 01692991, Second Lieutenant (then Sergeant), Infantry, G-2 Section, Headquarters 34th Infantry Division, for services in North Africa and Italy from 8 November 1942 to March 1944. Entered service from London, England.

RALPH W. POWERS, 0300234, Major (then Captain), Cavalry, 423rd Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment, for services in North Africa from 25 May 1943 to 21 April 1944. Entered service from Hyattsville, Maryland.

RICHARD J. CHAMIER, 0289829, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 35th Infantry Division, for services in North Africa and Italy from January 1944 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Moberly, Missouri.

GERALD C. KELLEHER, 0310994, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Third Battalion, 415th Infantry Regiment, for services in North Africa from November 1942 to 13 May 1943. Entered service from Albany, New York.

REUBEN E. JENKINS, 011658, Brigadier General, United States Army, Headquarters Sixth Army Group, for services in North Africa and Italy from 10 August 1943 to 1 August 1944. Entered service from Georgia.

By command of Lieutenant General McNARNEY:

GEORGE D. FENCE,
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23 November 1944

Establishment of Rome Area, MTOUSA I
Redesignation of Certain Units II

I ---- ESTABLISHMENT OF ROME AREA, MTOUSA

1. Effective 0001A hours 1 December 1944, the Rome Area, MTOUSA is established.
2. Boundaries of the Rome Area, MTOUSA are as defined in paragraph 4, Section 2, letter Allied Force Headquarters, AG 323.36/051 OCT-O, subject: "Rome Area Allied Command (Rome Area) - Command and Administration" dated 4 November 1944.
3. For United States Army command and administrative purposes, the Commanding General, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Rome Area, is designated as the Commanding General, Rome Area, MTOUSA.
4. Direct communication is authorized between the Commanding General Rome Area, MTOUSA and United States Army base sections on matters pertaining to base section activities.

II --- REDESIGNATION OF CERTAIN UNITS

1. Effective 0001A hours 1 December 1944, the 6750th Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Rome Area Allied Command, (Ovhd), is redesignated as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Rome Area, MTOUSA.
2. Effective 0001A hours 1 December 1944, the 6751st Service Company, Rome Area Allied Command, (Ovhd) is redesignated as Service Company, Rome Area, MTOUSA.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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22 November 1944

THANKSGIVING DAY PROCLAMATION

1. The following proclamation from the President of the United States has been received by the Commanding General, Mediterranean Theater of Operations. It is desired that this be brought to the attention of all United States Army personnel:

"In this year of liberation, which has seen so many millions freed from tyrannical rule, it is fitting that we give thanks with special fervor to our Heavenly Father for the mercies we have received individually and as a nation and for the blessings He has restored, through the victories of our arms and those of our Allies, to His children in other lands.

For the preservation of our way of life from the threat of destruction; for the unity of spirit which has kept our nation strong; for our abiding faith in freedom; and for the promise of an enduring peace, we should lift up our hearts in thanksgiving.

For the harvest that has sustained us and, in its fullness, brought succor to other peoples; for the bounty of our soil, which has produced the sinews of war for the protection of our liberties; and for a multitude of private blessings, known only in our hearts, we should give united thanks to God.

To the end that we may bear more earnest witness to our gratitude to Almighty God, I suggest a nation-wide reading of the Holy Scriptures during the period from Thanksgiving Day to Christmas. Let every man of every creed go to his own version of the Scriptures for a renewed and strengthening contact with those eternal truths and majestic principles which have inspired such measure of true greatness as this nation has achieved.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, President of the United States of America, in consonance with the joint resolution of the Congress approved December 26, 1941, do hereby proclaim Thursday the twenty-third day of November 1944 a day of national thanksgiving; and I call upon the people of the United States to observe it by bending every effort to hasten the day of final victory and by offering to God our devout gratitude for His goodness to us and to our fellow men."

By command of Lieutenant General McNARNEY:

OFFICIAL:

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10 November 1944

Thanksgiving Day - 1944	I
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I ---- THANKSGIVING DAY - 1944 .

Announcement is made that Thanksgiving Day will be observed on Thursday, 23 November 1944.

II --- DISBANDMENT OF ATLANTIC BASE SECTION AND EASTERN BASE SECTION

1. Announcement is made of the disbandment of Atlantic Base Section and Eastern Base Section effective 15 November 1944.

2. Concurrent with the disbandment of Atlantic Base Section and Eastern Base Section, present Mediterranean Base Section boundaries will be expanded to include the areas now covered by Atlantic Base Section and Eastern Base Section. The Commanding General, Mediterranean Base Section will assume Base Section responsibilities and functions now authorized or directed for these areas.

III -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individual for wounds received as a result of enemy action.

EDWARD ROSSMAN, 12069272, Technician Fifth Grade, 1073d Signal Company, 12 September 1943, Italy.

IV --- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

ALBERT S. WILLIAMS, JR., 7002791, Master Sergeant, 977th Signal Service Company, for services in North Africa and Italy from 8 November 1942 to 29 September 1944. Entered service from Memphis, Tennessee.

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CAMES J. KING, JR., 0238587, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters IV Corps, for services in North Africa and Italy from January to June 1944. Entered service from Jacksonville, Florida.

HAROLD E. HOPPING, 0183266, Colonel, Ordnance, Ordnance Section, Headquarters Seventh Army, for services in North Africa and Southern France from 1 February to 18 August 1944. Entered service from Los Angeles, California.

By command of Lieutenant General McWARNEY:

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2 November 1944

AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officers:

H. G. CRANFORD, 87065, Major, Royal Engineers, British Army, 161st Railway Construction Company, British Transportation, for meritorious achievement in action during the Tunisian Campaign from March to May 1943. In the face of enemy shell fire and air activity he made a reconnaissance of the Beja-Mateur and Mateur-Tabarka line. While proceeding from Mateur to Nefsa, the car struck an "S" mine in a tunnel and wrecked the machine. Although cut and bruised, he continued his reconnaissance on foot and submitted an accurate and valuable report. Later he organized the repair work on the Beja-Mateur-Tabarka lines with great skill. His bearing and example inspired his men to great efforts in the repair work despite casualties from mines and many hardships. Residence: Belfast, Ireland.

J. J. D. McINNES, 041347, Major, Royal Engineers, Liaison Officer, Eastern Base Section, for meritorious achievement in North Africa from 24 March to 24 October 1943. As British Liaison Officer, Engineer Services, Eastern Base Section, with untiring energy and enthusiasm he aggressively assumed the varied responsibilities of coordinating the flow of supplies between the American and British forces, following through the details of emergency shipments of critical items to far shore tactical troops, and acting as liaison officer for all engineer projects in the Eastern Base Section involving cooperation with the British. In all his personal and official relationships, Major McInnes has continually displayed tact, sound judgment and a sincere desire to further Allied cooperation in every respect.

DENNIS STEWART MUMFORD, 134902, Major, First Air Landing Light Regiment, Royal Artillery, British Army, for meritorious achievement in action from 1 October to 31 December 1943 in Italy. Displaying great personal courage and leadership in reconnoitering and clearing mine fields while under intense enemy fire Major Mumford, on many occasions traveled along heavily mined roads in order to arrive at an objective concurrently with leading Infantry elements, thereby aiding the effectiveness of his battery in consolidating positions. His outstanding devotion to duty was an inspiration to his men and the Infantry troops which he supported.

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JACK HORACE FOGMORE, 131730, Major, British Army, Headquarters Fourth Armored Brigade, for meritorious achievement in action from 10 July to 28 November 1943 in Sicily and Italy. With a complete knowledge of American equipment with which this Brigade was equipped, he was responsible for the maintenance, repair and recovery of all the tanks during heavy fighting in two campaigns. During the preliminary days of the crossing of the Sangro River in Italy, a large number of tanks became bogged on both sides of the river, and in order to support the Infantry, it was essential that these tanks should be extricated. Major Fogmore obtained the necessary equipment and proceeded to the river and for three days worked on the tanks in daylight, in full view of the enemy, and was for the whole period under observed and accurate mortar and shell fire. By his efforts he made available fifty tanks for support of the Eighth Indian Division for their attack on Pozzagrognia. By his devotion to duty and complete disregard for both his personal safety and comfort, Major Fogmore has been an inspiration to all who have worked with him.


GEORGE PETER SMART, M.C., 56288, Major, Royal Artillery, British Army, for meritorious achievement in action during the Tunisia Campaign from 19 - 26 November 1943. While second in command, Third Field Regiment, Royal Artillery he reconnoitered forward positions for all guns during a vital period of combat. Then stationing himself at a narrow defile where he could direct the passage of ammunition, he sent away his jeep and driver to a place of safety, and remained for many hours under shell fire. Major Smart's courage and devotion to duty was primarily responsible for the successful movement of ammunition and the quick occupation of the new positions advantageous to the allies.

TRUMBULL WARREN, Major, 48th Hussars of Canada, for meritorious achievement in action from 1 October to 31 December 1943 in Italy. As a liaison officer attached to Headquarters British Eighth Army, Major Warren displayed outstanding, tact, professional ability and efficiency in keeping the Commanding General informed of the tactical position of the American Fifth Army. In performing his duties Major Warren continually passed over areas covered by fire and mines, in order to keep the two allied armies in constant contact. His outstanding devotion to duty is deserving of great praise and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

By command of Lieutenant General McNARNEY:

GEORGE D. PENCE,
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GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 111)

24 October 1944

REDESIGNATION OF NORTH AFRICAN THEATER
OF OPERATIONS, UNITED STATES ARMY.

1. Pursuant to authority contained in War Department radio, dated 19 October 1944, the North African Theater of Operations, United States Army, is redesignated as Mediterranean Theater of Operations, United States Army, with abbreviation of "MTOUSA", effective 0001A hours, 1 November 1944.

2. The correct mailing address will be:

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3. Current series of all publications and directives issued by Headquarters NATOUSA will remain in full force and effect as directives of Headquarters Mediterranean Theater of Operations, U. S. Army.

By command of Lieutenant General McNARNEY:

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22 October 1944

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-20 and in compliance with War Department radio number 'X-49086, dated 19 October 1944, the undersigned assumes command of the North African Theater of Operations, United States Army, effective at 2130A hours 22 October 1944.

Joseph T. McHarney
JOSEPH T. McHARNEY
Lieutenant General, U.S. Army
Commanding.

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11 October 1944

- Transfer of Functions of JRC (Ground) to Headquarters, Communications Zone . . . I
- Award of Silver Star II
- Award of Purple Heart III
- Award of Legion of Merit IV

I -- TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS OF JRC (GROUND)
TO HEADQUARTERS, COMMUNICATIONS ZONE.

Effective 15 October 1944, all functions of the Joint Rearmament Committee remaining under NATOUSA dealing with implementation of the French Rearmament Program for Ground Forces are transferred to Headquarters, Communications Zone, NATOUSA.

II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officer:

ALBERT E. BASIL, 136047, Captain, Royal Army Chaplain's Department (British), for gallantry in action with American armed forces from 14 February 1943 to 1 March 1943, near Dernaia Pass, Tunisia. As a chaplain attached to the First United States Ranger Battalion, Captain Basil displayed unusual courage and devotion to duty by his continual presence among the men in forward areas on all possible occasions despite intense enemy artillery fire and aerial bombardment. By the inspiration of his personal counsel, and by providing maximum opportunities for worship, he contributed importantly to the battalion's morale and success of its mission.

III -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

ERNEST E. KERIAN, 17001173, Sergeant, 7th Infantry Regiment, 10 August 1943, Sicily.

IV -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

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CUSBARD T. CHATMAN, 34066945, Staff Sergeant, 86th Quartermaster Company (Railhead), for services in Italy from 24 July to 16 August 1944. Entered service from Pelham, Georgia.

BRESCI D'BICARI, 31016910, Staff Sergeant, Company "C", 313th Engineer Combat Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 June 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Boston, Massachusetts.

JOHN L. DANIEL, 34253987, Technical Sergeant, Cannon Company, 337th Infantry Regiment, for services in North Africa and Italy from 14 January to 5 May 1944. Entered service from Spindale, North Carolina.

FLOYD A. HAEGSTROM, 01285416, Captain, Infantry, Company "B", 350th Infantry Regiment, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 1 January 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Rockford, Illinois.

RICHARD C. MORAN, 025027, Captain, Cavalry, Headquarters Combat Command "B", First Armored Division, for services in North Africa and Italy from 8 November 1942 to 1 July 1944. Entered service from Fairfield, Connecticut.

PAUL F. STROZZI, 01542057, Captain, Medical Administrative Corps, Headquarters 310th Medical Battalion, for services in Italy from 11 May to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Buffalo, New York.

JOHN H. BRUBAKER, 0255460, Lieutenant Colonel, Coast Artillery Corps, 536th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), for service in the North African Theater of Operations, from 19 June to 14 October 1943. Entered service from Easton, Pennsylvania.


PAUL T. GERARD, 0326203, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), Corps of Military Police, United States Army, for services in Italy from October 1943 to February 1944. Entered service from Illinois.

WILLIAM H. JONES, JR., 03578, Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters, Continental Advance Section, North African Theater of Operations, for services in North Africa from 24 March to 15 September 1943. Entered the United States Military Academy from Bowling Green, Kentucky.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

GEORGE D. PENCE,
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I ---- AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 81, 1944

Paragraph 2, Section II, NATOUSA General Orders Number 81, 1944, is amended to read:

"2. Communications intended for the North African Branch will be addressed to NATOUSA Branch, Armed Forces Institute, APO 794."

II --- AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 89, 1944

So much of NATOUSA General Orders, Number 89, 1944, as pertains to "JOSEPH H. THOMAS, O21569, Colonel, Air Corps" is amended to read, "JOSEPH A. THOMAS, O21569, Colonel, Air Corps."

III -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was posthumously awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named enlisted man for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

MAYNARD A. LIPPERT, 20700761, Sergeant, 34th Signal Company, for services in Italy from 1 October 1943 to 13 February 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Margaret Lippert, St. Paul, Minnesota.

IV --- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

SAM A. CALABRESE, 32734796, Technician Fourth Grade, 2610th Engineer Area Headquarters Detachment, for services in North Africa from 11 November 1943 to 1 April 1944. Entered service from Brooklyn, New York.

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EDWARD C. CORTHELL, 39902726, Technician Third Grade, 1103d Signal Company, Service Group, for services in Italy from 16 March to 6 June 1944. Entered service from Buhl, Idaho.

ANDREW C. BICHKO, 6810832, First Sergeant, Company "F", 339th Infantry Regiment, for services in North Africa and Italy from 2 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania.

FRANK ZVIRBLIS, 01112542, Second Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, Company "C", 540th Engineer Regiment, for services in Italy from 1 May to 25 June 1944. Entered service from Herminio, Pennsylvania.

THOMAS B. FINLON, JR., 01283399, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters 180th Infantry Regiment, for services in Sicily and Italy from 17 August 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Cumberland, Maryland.

CALVIN A. PINKARD, 0449562, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Chaplain, 3rd Infantry Division Artillery, for services in Sicily and Italy from 10 July 1943 to 1 January 1944. Entered service from Fairfax, Alabama.

KIRK A. WEAVERS, 0397126, Major, Infantry, Headquarters 180th Infantry Regiment, for services in Sicily and Italy from 16 August 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Okemah, Oklahoma.

WAC! WESTLEY BATTLE BOYCE, L303512, Lieutenant Colonel, WAC, Army of the United States, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 12 August 1943 to 8 August 1944. Entered service from Washington, D.C.

ROBERT L. DONIGAN, 0263634, Lieutenant Colonel, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters 534th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, for services in Italy from 9 September 1943 to 11 June 1944. Entered service from Chicago, Ill.

HUGH EVERETT, JR., 0233750, Colonel, (then Lieutenant Colonel), General Staff Corps, Headquarters, Island Base Section, North African Theater of Operations, for services in Sicily from 1 September to 29 December 1943. Entered the service from Bethesda, Maryland.

WALTER A. HARDIE, 0100765, Colonel, Corps of Military Police, Provost Marshal, Headquarters, Peninsular Base Section, North African Theater of Operations, for services in North Africa from 8 November 1942 to 24 August 1943. Entered service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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26 September 1944

Redesignation of Headquarters SOS NATOUSA I
Award of Legion of Merit II

I -- REDESIGNATION OF HEADQUARTERS SOS NATOUSA

Effective 1 October 1944, Headquarters, SOS NATOUSA, APO 750, is redesignated Headquarters, Communications Zone, NATOUSA, APO 750.

II -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

WILLIAM H. MITCHELL, JR, 34395997, Technician Fourth Grade, G-1 Section, Headquarters, Mediterranean Base Section, North African Theater of Operations, for services from 29 May 1943 to 25 June 1944. Entered service from Florence, Alabama.

WILLIAM C. FREY, R-1536346, Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade), 86th Ordnance Heavy Maintenance Company (Tank), for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 April 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from North College Hill, Ohio.

ROBERT O. STANCLIFF, 39089231, Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 74th Station Hospital, for services in North Africa and Italy from 23 September 1943 to 14 April 1944. Entered service from Bakersfield, California.

NICHOLAS M. TINKO, JR, 33022173, Technician Third Grade, 226th Signal Operation Company, for services in North Africa, from 1 June to 1 November 1943. Entered service from Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT A. FREED, 35381098, Staff Sergeant, 4098th Quartermaster Service Company, for services in Sicily from 1 October 1943 to 31 March 1944. Entered service from Canton, Ohio.

CHARLES B. BOWMAN, 33185308, Master Sergeant, Headquarters, Atlantic Base Section, North African Theater of Operations, for services from 1 October 1943 to 8 May 1944. Entered service from Reading, Pennsylvania.

CHARLES E. DONLON, 32006772, Master Sergeant, 6618th Prisoner of War Administrative Company, for services in North Africa from 25 March to 25 August 1943. Entered service from New York, New York.

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SAMUEL J. WASHINGTON, 34532982, Master Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 484th Port Battalion, for services in the North African Theater of Operations, from 1 June 1943 to 15 April 1944. Entered service from Jacksonville, Florida.

AUGUST J. TOUYE, 01691485, Second Lieutenant (then Master Sergeant), Transportation Corps, Headquarters 384th Port Battalion, for services in Italy from 11 November to 31 December 1943. Entered service from Oakwood Heights, Staten Island, New York.

JOSEPH H. FERRIN, 0661023, Major, Air Corps, Headquarters, 17th Bombardment Group, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 16 October 1943 to 16 July 1944. Entered service from Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

OLIVER W. KEMPSTER, 0469771, Lieutenant Colonel, Corps of Military Police, Provost Marshal General's Section, Headquarters North African Theater of Operations, for services from 26 May 1943 to 1 May 1944. Entered service from Peoria, Illinois.

GEORGE R. KENT, 0246364, Lieutenant Colonel, Signal Corps, Headquarters 10th Port of Embarkation, for services in Italy from 22 January to 7 April 1944. Entered service from New York, New York.

WILLIAM R. MACLEOD, 0213665, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, 6731st Port Service Company, for services in French Morocco, North Africa, from 14 November 1942 to 31 May 1943. Entered service from New York, New York.

CHAUNCEY K. SMULLEN, 0180086, Lieutenant Colonel, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters, Island Base Section, North African Theater of Operations, for services in Sicily from 25 June to 3 December 1943. Entered service from Fort Worth, Texas.

CHARLES W. CHRISTENBERRY, 08373, Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters Replacement Command, North African Theater of Operations, for services in North Africa from 22 April 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Fort Worth, Texas.

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21 September 1944

Announcement of Deputy Theater Commander North African Theater of Operations . . . I
Announcement of Chief of Staff North African Theater of Operations II

I --- ANNOUNCEMENT OF DEPUTY THEATER COMMANDER NORTH AFRICAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS

Announcement is made of the designation of Major General THOMAS B. LARKIN, 03785, USA, as Deputy Theater Commander, North African Theater of Operations, in addition to his other duties.

II -- ANNOUNCEMENT OF CHIEF OF STAFF NORTH AFRICAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS

Announcement is made of the designation of Brigadier General GEORGE D. FENCE, 015629, GSC, as Chief of Staff, North African Theater of Operations, vice Major General DAVID G. BARR, 010313, GSC, relieved.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

GEORGE D. FENCE,
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Designation of Reclassification Boards	I
Award of Distinguished Flying Cross	II
Award of Legion of Merit (Posthumous)	III
Award of Legion of Merit	IV

I ----- DESIGNATION OF RECLASSIFICATION BOARDS

Section I, MATOUS. General Orders Number 84 and Section II, Number 87, 1944, are rescinded.

II ---- AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Distinguished Flying Cross was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officer:

CLARENCE R. DE YOUNG, 0732187, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, Twelfth Photo Reconnaissance Squadron, Third Photo Group, Mediterranean Air Photo Reconnaissance Wing, for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flights in Italy, from 26 November 1943 to 21 January 1944, and 21 and 25 May 1944. Volunteering to obtain terrain information for use of Fifth Army, by flying a series of thirteen low oblique missions, he successfully completed the assignment despite low altitudes of 500 feet in mountainous terrain. By his outstanding devotion to duty and complete disregard for his personal safety he flew in an unarmed aircraft through intense flak, receiving on one of the missions over forty hits and practically destroying the horizontal stabilizer. By his willingness to undertake dangerous but important tasks, his keen appreciation of the situation, and his outstanding courage and achievement, Lieutenant De Young obtained valuable information for Fifth Army, and set a high example to his fellow pilots in keeping with the best traditions of the Army Air Forces. Entered service from Grand Rapids, Mich.

III --- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was posthumously awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officer for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

PAUL W. ELOMMEN, 0452559, Captain, Field Artillery, Cannon Company, 135th Infantry, for service in Italy from 9 September 1943 to 13 July 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Jane Elommen, (wife), 334 Turn Pike Avenue, Clearfield, Pennsylvania.

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IV ---- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

LUTHER R. ROGERS, 35441310, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company C, 719th Railway Operating Battalion, for services in North Africa from 11 May 1943 to 1 February 1944. Entered service from Huntington, West Virginia.

EARL A. SCHULZ, 16025125, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 638th Antiaircraft Artillery AW Battalion, for services in North Africa and Corsica from 29 June 1943 to 1 September 1944. Entered service from Stevensville, Michigan.

CHARLES F. DELUPT, 32056281, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 88th Infantry Division for services from 25 December 1942 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Bergenfield, New Jersey.

RUDOLPH H. JOHNSON, 6818766, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from 17 November 1942 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Cloquet, Minnesota.

EDWARD W. WHITMER, 6398459, First Sergeant, 550th Ambulance Company, for services in North Africa and Italy from May 1943 to June 1944. Entered service from Charlotte, North Carolina.

ROBERT R. BRILUF, 0456267, Captain, Infantry, 337th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 21 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Toledo, Ohio.

EARL A. WILSON, 0271668, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, 337th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 13 April to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Greybull, Wyoming.

LEE D. HOOVER, 05909, Colonel, Corps of Engineers, 337th Engineer General Service Regiment, Fifth Army, for services in Italy from 2 January to 5 September 1944. Entered service from North Carolina.

PAUL W. RUFFLEDGE, 07289, Brigadier General, United States Army, for services in North Africa and Italy from 30 April 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Louisiana.

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9 September 1944

Redesignation of Coastal Base Section I
Award of Legion of Merit (Posthumous) II
Award of Legion of Merit III

I --- REDESIGNATION OF COASTAL BASE SECTION

Announcement is made of the redesignation of Coastal Base Section as Continental Base Section with short title designation as Conbase, effective 0001B hours, 10 September 1944.

II -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was posthumously awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officers for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

CHARLES M. KING, 01102802, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, 1206th Engineer Composite Platoon, for services in Italy from 13 February to 29 March 1944. Next of kin: Miss Barbara King, (sister), 546 Broadway, Paterson, New Jersey.

CHARLES W. KURTZ, 0430341, First Lieutenant, Infantry, for services in North Africa from 13 April to 24 October 1943. Next of kin: Mrs. Sophie T. Kurtz, (mother), 2815 El Prado Boulevard, Tampa, Florida.

III - AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

JOHN J. PROFITA, 36049748, Staff Sergeant, 103d Antiaircraft Balloon Battery, for services in Sicily from 10 July to 17 August 1943. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

JOHN A. RENYE, 33084631, Staff Sergeant, Medical Section, 817th Engineer Aviation Battalion, for services in Italy from 9 to 17 September 1943. Entered service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH P. CHALALA, 20329668, Technical Sergeant, 337th Antiaircraft Artillery Searchlight Battalion, for services in North Africa from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943. Entered service from Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

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SILAS A. WORLEY, 6576218, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Airborne Training Center, for services in North Africa from 14 March 1943 to 26 February 1944. Entered service from Hillsboro, Texas.

JOSIAH E. SPENCE, W2103800, Chief Warrant Officer, Medical Section, Headquarters Island Base Section, for services in Sicily from 17 August 1943 to 22 April 1944. Entered service from Promise City, Iowa.

RICHARD C. NOEL, JR., 0734821, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, 449th Bombardment Group for services in Italy from 23 December 1943 to 31 March 1944. Entered service from Scarsdale, New York.

GEORGE M. HOWARD, 0744067, Captain, Air Corps, Headquarters, 449th Bombardment Group, for services in Italy from 23 December 1943 to 31 March 1944. Entered service from Ferndale, Michigan.

JOHN M. TULLMAN, 0473830, Major, Signal Corps, 206th Signal Co. (Depot) for services in Sicily from 1 September 1943 to 10 March 1944. Entered service from Dundee, Illinois.

JOHN T. ENGLISH, 021296, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters 339th Infantry, for services in Italy from 2 January to 5 June 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Mount Pleasant, Tennessee.

THOMAS A. FITZPATRICK, 0184756, Colonel, Adjutant General's Department, United States Army, for services in North African Theater of Operations from 1 September 1942 to 18 February 1943. Entered service from Washington, D.C.

CLARENCE J. GALLIGAN, 0406132, Lieutenant Colonel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 23 March to 7 July 1944. Entered service from Asbury Park, New Jersey.

MELVIN E. GILLETTE, 06525, Colonel, Signal Corps, Signal Section, Headquarters Fifth Army, for services in Italy from 8 October 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Des Moines, Iowa.

JOSEPH H. THOMAS, 021569, Colonel, Air Corps, Headquarters Fifth Wing, for services in North Africa and Italy from 20 April 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Roanoke, Virginia.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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22 August 1944

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF G-1, NATOUSA

Announcement is made of the appointment of Major General MILLER G. WHITE, 0286638, GSC, as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, North African Theater of Operations, effective 21 August 1944, vice Brigadier General BEN M. SLWBRIDGE, 05715, GSC, relieved.

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AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

CLAIBORNE M. HARDEMAN, 38051936, Technician Fourth Grade, for services in North Africa from 15 June to 15 July 1943. Entered service from Houston, Texas.

FRANCIS C. MOLIK, 20655599, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for services in Sicily and Italy from 10 July to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Green Bay, Wisconsin.

CLYDE R. O'GRADY, JR., 20823374, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters VI Corps, for services from January to October 1943. Entered service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

CLARENCE L. JENTES, 6871222, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 331st Antiaircraft Artillery Searchlight Battalion, for services in North Africa and Sicily from May to August 1943. Entered service from Mayville, New York.

BERNARD F. BEADOCK, 12000789, Technical Sergeant, Fifth Army Mobile Radio Station, for services in North Africa and Italy from 15 April 1943 to 5 May 1944. Entered service from New York, New York.

PAUL MEEK, 6489156, Master Sergeant, 11th Repair Squadron, 11th Air Depot Group, for services in North Africa from 1 September to 18 October 1943. Entered service from Mattoon, Illinois.

LAWRENCE J. WOFFORD, R187332, Master Sergeant, 753rd Tank Battalion, for services from 1 June 1943 to 17 August 1943. Entered service from St. Louis, Mo.

HENRY CIPOLARO, 32170734, First Sergeant, 65th Fighter Squadron, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from April 1943 to April 1944. Entered service from New York, New York.

BRUCE E. HERRON, 20827128, First Sergeant, Company M, 179th Infantry, for services from 10 July to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Mangum, Oklahoma.

JOHN J. KNOX, O1695164, Captain, Medical Corps, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 52d Troop Carrier Wing, for services in North Africa and Sicily from May to October 1943. Entered service from Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

CECIL C. CARSTENSON, O448034, Major, Air Corps, Air Supply Division, Headquarters, Army Air Force Service Command, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, for services in Italy from 27 September 1943 to 1 February 1944. Entered service from Kansas City, Missouri.

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CHARLES S. D'ORSA, 018866, Colonel, (then Lieutenant Colonel), General Staff Corps, Headquarters, Fifth Army, for services from 13 August to 13 October 1943. Entered the United States Military Academy from New York.

JAMES W. HOLSINGER, 0240417, Colonel, General Staff Corps, for services in Italy from 18 November 1943 to 11 June 1944. Entered service from Kansas City, Kansas.

HENRY D. JAY, 04952, Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters II Corps, for services in Italy from 12 March to 10 June 1944. Entered service from Pennsylvania.

CHARLES M. McCORKLE, 020239, Colonel, Air Corps, Headquarters 31st Fighter Group, for services in Italy from 1 April to 6 June 1944. Entered service from Newton, North Carolina.

ANDERSON T. W. MOORE, 09327, Colonel, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters, Services of Supply, North African Theater of Operations, United States Army, for services during the period 13 August 1943 to 31 May 1944. Entered service from Penna.

ROBERT B. RICHARD, 0286977, Colonel, Air Corps, First Fighter Group, for services in Italy from 1 November 1943 to 6 June 1944. Entered service from Visalia, California.

DONALD C. SLOAN, 0258797, Colonel, Air Corps, 38th Service Group, for services in Italy from 13 December 1943 to 31 May 1944. Entered service from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

HARRY P. STORKE, 016468, Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters II Corps Artillery, for services from 14 September 1943 to 10 June 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Maryland.


OLIVER B. TAYLOR, 022046, Colonel, Air Corps, Headquarters 14th Fighter Group, for services in Italy from 26 September 1943 to 26 June 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Pennsylvania.

GABRIEL T. MACKENZIE, 04658, Colonel, Inspector General's Department, Headquarters II Corps, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 11 November 1942 to 13 March 1944. Entered service from Charlottesville, Virginia.

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Award of Soldier's Medal I
Award of Legion of Merit II

I ---- AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Soldier's Medal was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named enlisted man:

THOMAS M. KANE, 13061288, Technician Fifth Grade, 78th Chemical Smoke Generator Company, for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy, on 4 June 1944, at Bagnoli, Italy, when a smoke generator burst into flames in the company area igniting his clothing. Technician Fifth Grade Kane, with excellent presence of mind, dashed to a mound of loose earth and extinguished the fire on his person. He then ran through the enlisted men's quarters sounding the alarm, obtaining a fire extinguisher he returned to the fire and despite great agony from third-degree burns on his arms, chest, side and abdomen, he fought the fire until it was extinguished. Technician Fifth Grade Kane's fearless action, quick thinking and devotion to duty, saved a valuable piece of equipment, possible damage to other equipment nearby, and injury to personnel in the nearby vicinity. Entered service from Baltimore, Maryland.

II --- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

DELMAS H. COWLEY, 32823480, Sergeant, 766th Bombardment Squadron, for services during the month of May 1944. Entered service from Astoria, Long Island, New York.

CLYDE R. BONINE, 39236302, Technician Third Grade, (then Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters and Plotting Company, 561st Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, for services from 5 June to 19 December 1943. Entered service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

RAYMOND M. DODD, 20816081, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 9 September 1943 to 18 March 1944. Entered service from Fort Worth, Texas.

DANIEL L. MCINNISH, 14170075, Staff Sergeant, 742d Bombardment Squadron (Heavy), for services from 1 February to 27 May 1944. Entered service from Dothan, Alabama.

FREDERICK E. ST. JOHN, 37056570, Staff Sergeant, Company "B" 109th Medical Battalion for services from 10 March 1942 to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Columbia, Missouri.

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HARRY C. LANEY, 19073822, Technical Sergeant, 78th Fighter Control Squadron, for services in Sardinia from January through March 1944. Entered service from Twin Falls, Idaho.

WILLIAM V. SMITH, R470873, Technical Sergeant, Company A, 713th Railway Operating Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 March 1943 to 1 July 1944. Entered service from Temple, Texas,

ALFRED E. SOUSA, 11036940, Technical Sergeant, 310th Bombardment Group, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 7 December 1942 to 31 May 1944. Entered service from Bristol, Rhode Island.

FRED W. SYMLANK, 18048036, Technical Sergeant, 65th Fighter Squadron, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from November 1942 to December 1943. Entered service from Giddings, Texas.

JOE A. BOUDREAUX, 654793, Master Sergeant, 97th Bombardment Squadron, for services in North Africa from December 28, 1942 to May 13, 1943. Entered service from Riverside, California.

RICHARD D. STROHL, 18038320, Master Sergeant, 346th Fighter Squadron, for services from February through July 1943. Entered service from Arlington, Texas.

NORBERT A. SHAFER, 33022896, First Sergeant, Company A, 719th Railway Operating Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from May 1943 to April 1944. Entered service from Oneida, Pennsylvania.

SAMUEL G. DANIELS, W2122754, Chief Warrant Officer, (then Master Sergeant) Headquarters 310th Bombardment Group, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 21 December 1942 to 1 April 1943. Entered service from Pendleton, Oregon.

JACK F. CALNON, O470374, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, 97th Bombardment Squadron, for services in North Africa from December 29, 1942 to March 30, 1943. Entered service from Lyons, Nebraska.

ARTHUR HALL, O407765, Captain (then First Lieutenant) Signal Corps, 562d Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, for services in North Africa and Sicily from 20 March to 26 September 1943. Entered service from Morgantown, West Virginia.

SHERMAN HIXSON, O854993, Captain, Air Corps, Headquarters, 446th Bombardment Squadron, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 14 May to 17 August 1943. Entered service from Hixson, Tennessee.

By demand of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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I - AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Distinguished Flying Cross was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officer:

PETER DAPHNE, 47918V, Captain, 60th Squadron, South African Air Force, for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight from North Africa to Northern Germany and return on 1 November 1943. Flying the first long range photo reconnaissance mission from North Africa to penetrate the pre-war German borders, with primary targets in the Munich and Augsburg areas, Captain Daphne flew through hazardous weather to reach his objective. Photographing targets deep in the heart of the enemy's homeland he returned through equally difficult flying weather collecting vital photographic intelligence on return from his primary assignment. The rare courage, the calm and calculating judgment, and the high devotion to duty exemplified by Captain Daphne reflect great credit upon himself and the Allied Air Forces.

II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officer:

PATRICK A STEWART, Captain, 11th Hussars, British Eighth Army, for gallantry in action during the period 29 March to 1 April 1943, in the vicinity of El Guettar, Tunisia. Captain Stewart was attached to Company "B", 81st United States Armored Reconnaissance Battalion in the capacity of advisor and observer. During this period, the company was under continuous and concentrated artillery fire and bombing attacks by the enemy. Captain Stewart, by his daring and courageous actions, inspired the men of this organization and his initiative and coolness under fire was a great factor in keeping the morale of the troops at a high standard. He displayed complete disregard for his own safety at all times and often visited the most forward observation posts encouraging and inspiring the troops. The courageous leadership displayed by Captain Stewart was of great assistance to the American troops and is deserving of the highest praise.

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III - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Soldier's Medal was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named enlisted man:

JOHN J. DALY, 1488432, Advance Sector, 242 Group, Royal Air Force, for heroism on 13 April 1944 at an Allied airfield in Yugoslavia. Observing a P-38 type aircraft crash while attempting to take-off from an improvised landing field, Corporal Daly, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, ran to the scene of the accident, where, despite intense heat from the fiercely burning wreckage and exploding ammunition, he climbed to the cockpit and rescued the injured and unconscious American pilot. By his heroic actions, initiative and exemplary courage, Corporal Daly upheld the highest traditions of the military service, thereby reflecting great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the Allied Nations.


IV - AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT (MISSING IN ACTION)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officer, now missing in action, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

WILLIAM P. LITTON, 023300, Lieutenant Colonel, Air Corps, 82nd Fighter Group, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 1 November 1943 to 6 June 1944. Next of kin: Willette L. Litton (wife), 623 W. Mulberry Avenue, San Antonio, Texas.

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By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officers for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

CARROLL T. NEWTON, 020865, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, United States Army, for services from 15 June 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Massachusetts.

JOHN O. WEAVER, 0900400, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, United States Army, for services from 2 November 1943 to 6 June 1944. Entered service from Arlington, Virginia.

TRISTRAM TUPPER, 0409991, Brigadier General, AUS, Public Relations Branch, Information and Censorship Section, Allied Force Headquarters, for services in England and North Africa from 2 May 1943 to 22 June 1944. Entered service from California.

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I - TRANSFER OF G-1 PUBLICATIONS SECTION

1. Section I, NATOUSA General Orders Number 69, 1944, is rescinded.
2. Effective this date, the G-1 Publications Section is transferred from this headquarters to SOS NATOUSA and placed under the supervision of the Morale Services Section, Headquarters, SOS NATOUSA.

II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officer:

ASPIRANT JEAN CLAUDE TINE, First Lieutenant, First Spahis, French Army. For gallantry in action. On 10 December 1942, Lieutenant Tine distinguished himself in action against an armed enemy in the vicinity of Medjez el Bab, Tunisia. While serving as liaison officer with Combat Command "B", Lieutenant Tine repeatedly exposed himself to hostile fire in visiting front line elements in order to more thoroughly acquaint himself with the disposition of our own and enemy troops. On 10 December again, Lieutenant Tine was determined to obtain exact information despite the confused and unknown developments resulting from enemy drives of the night before, and of his own volition mounted a tank moving out to defend a road block threatened by German assault elements. When last seen, the group of tanks, with Lieutenant Tine, were moving into the face of the enemy near Bordj Toum, Tunisia. Next of kin: Jacques Tine, 54 Avenue Foreau Lamy, Algiers.

III - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Soldier's Medal was awarded by the Theater Commander to each of the following named enlisted men of 2807th L.A.A. Squadron, Royal Air Force, for heroism on 26 February 1944 at Fom, Ponza:

GEORGE OVEREND, 547453, Sergeant

FREDERICK CATON, 1497643, Leading Aircraftman

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When an LST with approximately two hundred men aboard, (150 Americans and 50 German prisoners,) crashed on the rocks at Fomi, Ponza, during a storm, these men upon hearing of the accident volunteered to accompany the rescue party, which rushed to the scene. Finding no beach between the sea and the 200-foot cliff, where the accident occurred, these men, accompanied by two officers and an enlisted man, climbed down the face of the cliff to the wreck. Here they grasped and pulled to safety many members of the crew that jumped from the LST as it pounded against the cliff. Shortly thereafter an explosion occurred and the ship began breaking up. Approximately 16 men remained in the forward part of the ship and the two rescuers waded into the raging sea, up to their chests, on at least two occasions to rescue persons washed overboard. This display of stamina and resolute courage, in face of great personal danger, reflects high credit upon themselves and the armed forces of the Allied Nations.

IV - AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

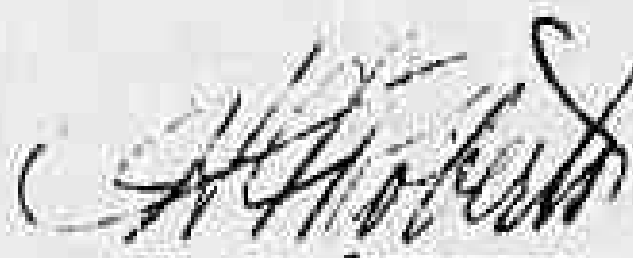
By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named enlisted man:

JOHN D. VAN TROTT, 32297696, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 15th Field Artillery Observation Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from 2 September to 11 December 1943. Entered service from New York, New York.

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I -- ANNOUNCEMENT OF DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, NATOUSA

Announcement is made of the assignment of Colonel GEORGE D. PENCE, 015629, GSC, as Deputy Chief of Staff, NATOUSA.

II -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was posthumously awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officer for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

JOHN PABST, 0362409, Major, Air Corps, for services from 15 March to 13 August 1943. Next of kin: Mrs. Jane Smith Pabst (Wife), 43 Appleton Street, Rochester, New York.

III -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

JAMES D. DONOVAN, 35402950, Technician Fifth Grade, Signal Section, Mediterranean Base Section, for services from 19 March to 12 December 1943. Entered service from West Hartford, Connecticut.

SAMUEL E. MONTGOMERY, 13013931, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, 343d Squadron, 99th Bombardment Group, for services from July, 1942 to January, 1944. Entered service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

ARNOLD R. WITTMANN, 37185538, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, Headquarters, II Corps, for services in North Africa and Sicily from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943. Entered service from St. Louis, Missouri.

FRANK H. KESSLER, 12047552, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, for services from March to November 1943. Entered service from Ridgely, Maryland.

EAROLD F. McMILLAN, 31026993, Technical Sergeant, 1st Ordnance Depot Regiment (Aviation), for services from 22 March to 12 December 1943. Entered service from Woolaston, Massachusetts.

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JAMES H. OGLESBY, 34267972, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, Headquarters Squadron, Twelfth Air Force, for services from October 1942 to December 1943. Entered service from Savannah, Georgia.

ERNEST S. PRANCE, 20800958, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry, for services in Italy, from 9 September 1943 to 13 March 1944. Entered service from San Antonio, Texas.

THOMAS L. HUGHES, 31202545, Master Sergeant, Headquarters, Services of Supply, North African Theater of Operations, for services from 5 March to 30 October 1943. Entered service from Watertown, Massachusetts.

REX L. PASSMORE, 20801081, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 141st Infantry Regiment, for services from 15 August to 13 October 1943. Entered service from San Antonio, Texas.

CHARLES W. SMITH, 6648037, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 308th Fighter Squadron, for services from 30 January 1942 to 26 November 1943. Entered service from Mount Clemens, Michigan.

HARRY C. AULD, W2122753, Warrant Officer, United States Army, 82d Fighter Group, for services from 2 January to 21 October 1943. Entered service from Arcola, Illinois.

JAMES F. STRADER, 01703045, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Company "E", 142d Infantry Regiment, for services from 9 September 1943 to 27 March 1944. Entered service from Amarillo, Texas.

MAURICE W. KENWORTHY, 01577416, First Lieutenant, Quartermaster Corps, Quartermaster Section, Headquarters, Services of Supply, North African Theater of Operations, for services from 5 May 1943 to 20 March 1944. Entered service from Los Angeles, California.


PHILIP A. NEAL, 0430709, Captain, Air Corps, Headquarters, 2d Bombardment Group (H), for services from September to November 1943. Entered service from Fairfield, Connecticut.

JOHN A. PIPER, 01703795, Captain, Air Corps, 343d Bombardment Squadron, for services from July 1942 to December 1943. Entered service from Rockingham, North Carolina.

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AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel:

LLOYD CHASTAIN, 37370748, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa and Sardinia from 29 April 1943 to 31 March 1944. As Entertainment Director for the 74th Coast Artillery (AA) Regiment, he displayed extraordinary talent and a high degree of ingenuity in providing varied forms of entertainment for the personnel of his organization. Always ready to present spontaneous programs, and working steadily to perfect finished shows, he brought to isolated gun sections and positions the diversion from routine so necessary to maintenance of high morale and efficiency. Other organizations, as well as men confined in British and American hospitals, benefited from his participation with USO units, his appearance on American Red Cross programs and his self-organized musicals. Cheerfully accepting and responding to the multitude of demands made upon him for his services, without regard to the long hours required, he made a definite contribution to the efficiency and morale of his regiment. Entered service from St. Louis, Missouri.

ROBERT E. WARLICK, 34306489, Sergeant, Signal Corps, Special Service Section, Headquarters Fifth Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 10 August 1943 to 8 February 1944. As chief projectionist and non-commissioned officer in charge of all film distribution and repair, he displayed efficiency and ingenuity in creating and expanding the motion picture facilities of the Fifth Army. By his resourcefulness and devotion to duty he overcame many obstacles in the early stage of the Italian Campaign and was the first to show films to the combat troops in Italy. The splendid success of the Special Service Section of the Fifth Army was largely due to the untiring efforts and technical ability of Sergeant Warlick. Entered service from Burlington, North Carolina.

ROBERT W. ZUMWALT, 38337052, Technician Third Grade, (Then Technician Fifth Grade), Corps of Engineers, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 5 August to 13 October 1943, with the G-4 Section, Headquarters, Fifth Army. As a result of his diligent and enthusiastic efforts and study, Technician Third Grade Zumwalt became unusually adept in preparing administrative maps and overlays with a minimum of supervision on the part of officers of the G-4 Section then concerned with the planning of a large amphibious operation. Accompanying the advance elements of the invasion forces into Italy, he took complete charge of establishing the field camp for the G-4 Section. His knowledge of practical engineering enabled him to compile and prepare for dissemination to newly arriving units, administrative details concerning installations, which under combat conditions were indispensable. Entered service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

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ROBERT W. MARTIN, JR., 33047036, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from 15 July to 13 October 1943. As a member of the Maintenance and Supply Division, Army Ordnance Section, Headquarters, Fifth Army, Staff Sergeant Martin displayed outstanding knowledge of Ordnance Supply procedure in the preparation of detailed information required by higher headquarters. By his ingenuity, hard work and meticulous attention to details, he was able to set up an efficient method of consolidating a great number of Ordnance Materiel Status Reports. Certain forms of reports and methods of office operation devised by Staff Sergeant Martin materially reduced the man-hours required of his section, and materially aided in the prompt rendering of numerous reports. Entered service from Bedford, Virginia.

ALBERT P. JOHNSON, 18130603, Staff Sergeant, Medical Section, Headquarters Fifth Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 29 July to 13 October 1943. While assigned to duties of unusual responsibility with the Fifth Army Planning Group, he was heavily relied upon to supply the countless details, innumerable facts and all the references needed while planning the medical service for a large amphibious operation. His record of absolute accuracy and his maintenance of high standards enhanced the thorough competence of his work. Because of his initiative, foresight and dependability, he was delegated responsibilities not ordinarily entrusted to one of his grade. His sound knowledge of medical organizational and administrative matters made his services invaluable in many critical situations. His disregard of hazard and inconvenience, his efficiency and superior ability have been a source of inspiration to his associates and made him of invaluable assistance to his officers. Entered service from Oklahoma.

EARL M. RATZER, 16037632, Technical Sergeant, Signal Corps, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 24 August 1943 to 20 April 1944. As non-commissioned officer in charge of cryptographic security for Fifth Army, Technical Sergeant Ratzler, after long hours of study and analysis of encoded traffic between army headquarters and lower units, recommended changes and improvements which materially improved the cryptographic security of the entire Fifth Army. His work in compiling the many radio telephone codes required by an army comprising four nationalities demonstrated outstanding ability and a high degree of thoroughness. In addition to his regular duties, Technical Sergeant Ratzler spent much of his off duty time in training other enlisted men to become proficient in cryptanalysis. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

MAYS K. THITTEN, 18109645, Master Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 18 January to 13 October 1943. As chief clerk, Judge Advocate Section, he diligently performed the many administrative functions incident to the legal work of the Army Headquarters. On his own initiative, he applied himself at nights in order to become proficient in court-reporting. He willingly and unselfishly devoted many night hours in meticulously recording general court-martial records of trials. Master Sergeant Thitten's high standard of military discipline and sincere desire to assume extra responsibilities is worthy of the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered service from Henderson, Texas.

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HENRY J. FORMON, 12063965, Master Sergeant, (then Technical Sergeant), G-1 Section, Fifth Army Headquarters, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 14 January to 13 October 1943. During the period when Fifth Army was being established, and during the planning and first phases of the Italian Campaign, Sergeant Formon distinguished himself by handling extraordinarily large amounts of stenographic and clerical work with outstanding efficiency and skill. His demonstrated ability to handle a much greater volume of work than could normally be expected of one non-commissioned officer, and the standards of excellence which he constantly maintained in his work are a credit to his section and to the military service. Entered service from Ridgely, New Jersey.

JERTHA RYE REVELL, 34149915, Master Sergeant, Headquarters, Fifth Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 30 July to 13 October 1943. As acting chief clerk, G-2 Section, Headquarters, Fifth Army, his efficient preparation and organization of the administrative and clerical details attendant to G-2 planning for the invasion of Italy, contributed materially to the success of the operations. Master Sergeant Revell's willing acceptance of great responsibility in his arduous work performed under trying conditions, often requiring resourceful improvising of equipment and intense precaution in safeguarding of secret documents, was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered service from Yazoo City, Mississippi.

ANDREW J. GOODFASTER, 021739, Lieutenant Colonel, 48th Engineer Combat Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 15 December to 21 December 1943, in Italy. By skillful organization and tireless supervision, he successfully completed the difficult and hazardous task of the conversion of a railroad into a two-way class 40 highway by surmounting the handicaps of adverse weather, observed artillery fire and small arms fire. His determination, courage, and devotion to duty provided inspiration for his men and were in great measure responsible for accomplishment of the mission. Entered service from Granite City, Illinois.

WILLIAM H. JAYNES, 021271, Lieutenant Colonel, Ordnance Department, 6694th Ordnance Base Group (Provisional), for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service as Commanding Officer of the 62d Ordnance (Ammunition) Battalion during the period 24 September to 11 December 1943. Lieutenant Colonel Jaynes, by his coordinating transportation and labor, rendered possible swift and efficient movement of ammunition to supply the forward ammunition supply points at a time when needs were paramount. The unceasing patience and tact which he displayed instilled in the Italian civilian laborers under his command a loyalty to the Allied cause and a will to serve Fifth Army that assured the uninterrupted flow of ammunition during the early and difficult days of the Italian invasion. His qualities of leadership and care for the details of the morale of his troops inspired in the men of his command a spirit of service and of this spirit was born "Ammo Joe" symbolic of the cheerful and tireless devotion to duty characteristic of Fifth Army Ordnance Ammunition troops. To his ability is due the outstanding performance of Fifth Army Ordnance ammunition companies which has contributed materially to the successful prosecution of the campaign. Entered United States Military Academy from Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

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HARRISON KING, 019078, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, 701st Tank Destroyer Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as Battalion Commander, 701st Tank Destroyer Battalion. From 10 August to 20 October 1943, immediately after the Battalion had been re-organized with the new M-10 Tank Destroyer, he planned and supervised with marked ability and conspicuous success the training of his personnel with the new equipment; Long an advocate of the employment of Tank Destroyers as supporting artillery, his foresight in anticipating the need for and providing artillery training for his officers and men was responsible for the Battalion's successes in Italy. His professional knowledge, sound judgment and attention to detail, exerted over a long period of time, was the greatest single factor in molding the Battalion into a fine working and highly proficient team. His outstanding contributions to the attainments realized by the Battalion reflect great credit upon himself and the military service and are worthy of the highest praise. Entered United States Military Academy from Washington, D. C.

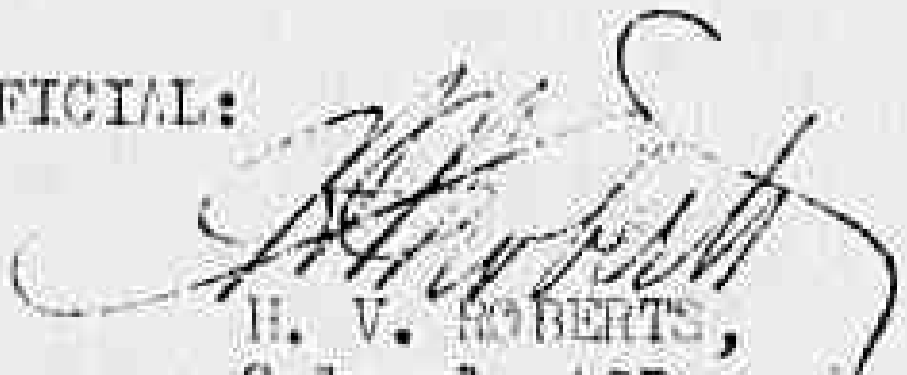
LAWRENCE R. DEWEY, 015575, Colonel, Cavalry, Headquarters, First Armored Division, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 15 August 1942 to 15 June 1943. As Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, of the Second Armored Division he was charged with the responsibility of the preparation and the execution of detailed plans for the landings in North Africa by elements of the Second Armored Division. Colonel Dewey, by his thorough planning and forethought, was able to overcome many difficulties in the initial amphibious engagement, which otherwise would have seriously hindered operations of the armored units. Later, as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, of the First Armored Division, he demonstrated profound judgment and keen insight into the many complexities incident to such a position in combat. Entered United States Military Academy from Minnesota.

CLARENCE B. LINDNER, 03813, Colonel, Finance Department, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 1 September 1942 to 13 October 1943. As Finance Officer of Western Task Force, he planned and directed the finance operations of the Force with such outstanding foresight and judgment that activities involving great sums of money, complicated by foreign exchange problems and an inadequate supply of local currency, were carried out in an exceptionally efficient and praiseworthy manner. His keen conception of the financial situation and his subsequent solution helped prevent a financial crisis facing the Moroccan banks. Later, as Finance Officer, Fifth Army, his extensive knowledge and expert advice and counsel were of material assistance in the successful solution of many difficult finance problems both before and after the invasion of Italy. Entered United States Military Academy from Georgia.

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I -- AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS

So much of Section IV, NATOUSA General Orders Number 33, 1944, as pertains to James O. Moore, 01548262, First Lieutenant, that reads: "Entered service from Gainesville, Florida," is amended to read: "Entered service from Gainesville, Georgia."

II -- RESCISSION OF GENERAL ORDERS

Section I, NATOUSA General Orders Number 39, 1944, is rescinded.

III -- AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Distinguished Flying Cross was posthumously awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named enlisted man:

JOSEPH J. GARDY, 13027954, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism and extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight on 8 November 1943 near Venafro, Italy. Staff Sergeant Gardy, pilot of a liaison airplane, was flying on a mission to locate and direct artillery fire on enemy installations, when he was fired upon by enemy antiaircraft guns. One of the shells struck his aircraft and exploded inside, wounding both Staff Sergeant Gardy and his observer. Receiving wounds in his right leg and arm which rendered them useless and without disclosing to the observer the fact that he was wounded, he flew his plane to the forward division artillery airfield and landed safely on the extremely muddy field. The calmness and presence of mind displayed by Staff Sergeant Gardy in saving the life of his observer and himself are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Staff Sergeant Gardy was killed in action on 13 February 1944, when his unarmed plane was attacked and shot down by enemy aircraft. Next of kin: Mrs. Sarah Gardy (Mother), RFD No. 1, Sugar Loaf, Pennsylvania.

IV -- AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

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By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Distinguished Flying Cross was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officer:

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JACK L. MARINELLI, 0372406, Captain, Cavalry, Headquarters, 71st Field Artillery Brigade, for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flights over enemy positions in Italy from 25 October 1943 to 3 February 1944. The successful completion of these missions frequently required Captain Marinelli to fly his unarmed light observation plane over heavily fortified enemy positions in the face of hostile ground fire and enemy fighter plane attack. Many night flights were made with improvised landing lights and at times with none at all. All take-offs and landings were made from small unimproved fields in dangerous mountainous terrain, and the ordinary hazards of his trips were often increased by severe weather conditions. By his outstanding record in combat missions flown and the vital information obtained, Captain Marinelli not only reflected great credit upon himself but has encouraged and established a standard of achievement for his associates. Entered service from Ottumwa, Iowa.

V -- AWARD OF AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Air Medal is awarded the following officer:

EDGAR V. DICKSON, 0499019, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over North Africa and Italy from 19 March 1943 to 10 March 1944. Many of these flights were under especially hazardous conditions and were made in areas patrolled by enemy aircraft. His highly commendable performance reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Entered service from Coral Gables, Florida.

VI -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was posthumously awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officer:

EDWARD F. DRAKE, 0904626, Major (then Captain), Air Corps, Headquarters, Northwest African Strategic Air Force, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 1 August 1943 to 25 August 1943. Major Drake displayed unusual foresight, efficiency and judgment in the planning and preparation of operational intelligence used by the Strategic Air Force in the raid on Foggia, Italy, 25 August 1943. Complete enemy surprise was achieved by taking full advantage of weaknesses in Radar warning and flak dispositions revealed by information collected through effective intelligence planning by Major Drake, and, as a result, 82 enemy aircraft were destroyed and 29 damaged. This crippling blow at German bomber strength contributed materially to the success of the Allied landings in Italy, and reflects great credit upon Major Drake and the Army Air Corps. Next of kin: Mrs. Eleanor Drake (Wife), Bedford Hills, New York.

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VII -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel:

ROBERT E. STEVENS, 11040952, Sergeant (then Private), Headquarters, Services of Supply, North African Theater of Operations, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 3 March 1943 to 30 September 1943. Through his painstaking and conscientious performance of duty as chief file clerk of a rapidly expanding headquarters, Sergeant Stevens established and maintained an exceptionally accurate and dependable system for the filing of vital records. During the period of mounting two task forces for overseas operations, Sergeant Stevens worked excessively long hours to assure that accurate documents were readily available for the conduct of progressively changing plans. His precise knowledge of the files and his resourcefulness were of great assistance in the operation of the entire headquarters. Entered service from Hartford, Connecticut.

DOUGLAS S. DUDROW, 32181212, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) Headquarters Company, 1st Ranger Battalion for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 1 May to 1 November 1943. As administrative sergeant, Sergeant Dudrow, working with inadequate facilities trained and prepared a group of inexperienced replacements for their new duties. The quality of his teaching and the spirit with which he inspired these new men was instrumental in establishing within newly organized units an administrative group capable of operating during the unfavorable conditions under which they later had to work. In addition, Sergeant Dudrow undertook and successfully completed the administrative work in connection with organizing and operating a large tactical ranger force of several thousand men built around a staff equipped to handle the needs of only a few hundred men. Entered the service from East Orange, New Jersey.

GLENN L. JACKSON, 0220991, Lieutenant Colonel, Air Corps, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 20 January to 15 March 1944. As Headquarters Commandant, Headquarters, Army Air Forces, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, he demonstrated outstanding abilities as an organizer and a leader. During the trying period of initial organization, Lieutenant Colonel Jackson assembled personnel from widely scattered sources and organized the Headquarters Squadron in such a manner that it quickly became an efficient military organization. Through exceptional leadership and display of tireless energy, he established the necessary facilities to house and mess approximately 400 officers and 2000 enlisted men in the face of extremely difficult conditions. His capacity to organize and direct the energies of large numbers of men, and to discharge all tasks in an exceptionally efficient manner reflects credit upon himself and the military forces of the United States. Entered service from Oregon.

JOHN T. WHITAKER, 02055791, Lieutenant Colonel, Psychological Warfare Branch, Allied Force Headquarters, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the

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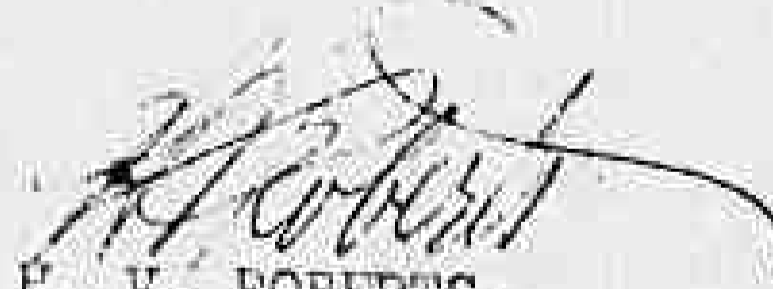
performance of outstanding services from 5 September to 5 December 1943. Assigned the mission of organizing and directing psychological warfare operations for the invasion of Italy, Lieutenant Colonel Whitaker, led the activities of his group in the seizure of radio press and publications and the diversion of instruments of information into channels useful to the Allied cause. He insured and increased the potency of his weapon by advancing with forward elements to direct the distribution of appropriate leaflets to German troops and friendly civilians. His driving energy, innate ability and constant faith in the effectiveness of a sound psychological warfare program was confirmed by his many direct aids in support of combat operations. Entered service from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

LOUIS G. ZINNECKER, JR., 0313610, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Transportation Section, Allied Force Headquarters, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during the period 15 September 1942 to 24 February 1944. Instrumental in the planning and preparation of the extensive transportation requirements for the landings in North Africa, Lieutenant Colonel Zinnecker by his exceptional resourcefulness, experience, and foresight in the execution of these duties contributed materially to the success of the entire operation. Later, during the Tunisian and Sicilian Campaigns, he achieved unequalled results in solving the gigantic transportation problems caused by the fast changing tactical situations and difficult terrain. Lieutenant Colonel Zinnecker's broad background of knowledge and sound judgment displayed in earlier operations were manifest in his discharge of duty with the Fifth Army during the invasion of Italy. Entered service from Lincoln, Nebraska.

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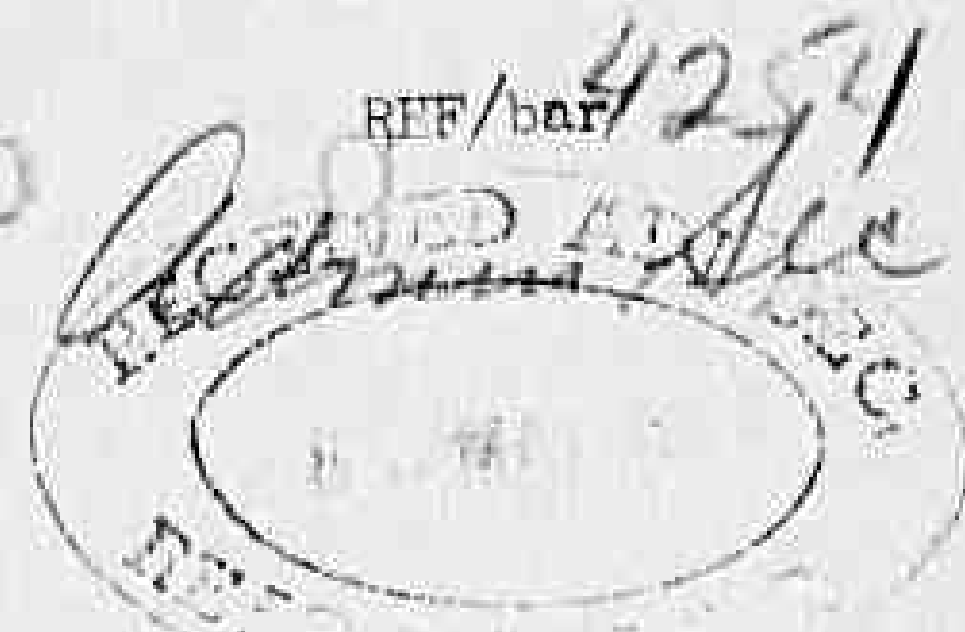

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I -- CHANGE OF TITLE OF CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

The title of the Chief Finance Officer, NATOUSA, has been changed to Fiscal Director, NATOUSA.

II -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following enlisted men for wounds received as the result of enemy action:

BERNARD PESICK, 36145717, Corporal, 18th Infantry Regiment, Tunisia, 3 January 1943. Entered service from Detroit, Michigan.

III -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officers:

RICHARD G. PARTRIDGE, 012630, Colonel, GSC, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from September 1942 to 13 October 1943. As senior United States officer of the Operations Branch, G-3 Section, Allied Force Headquarters, and Executive Officer of General Staff (Operations), Headquarters 15th Army Group, U. S. Contingent (Provisional), his efficient supervision and preparation of plans and operations forcibly contributed to the success of the landings in North Africa, and invasions of Sicily, and Italy by Allied Forces. His analytical mind and ability to grasp and arrange in proper perspective the countless details involved in the execution of large scale amphibious operations have enabled him to produce concise directives, reports and recommendations which were of great value to commanders and staffs alike. As the Executive Officer of the American group of an integrated British and American staff section, his tact, example, and whole-hearted cooperation insured continuous harmonious and amicable relationship among all members of the Operations Branch. Entered United States Military Academy from Massachusetts.

GEORGE S. SMITH, 015308, Colonel, GSC, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 30 May 1943 to 18 October 1943. As Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Headquarters 15th Army Group,

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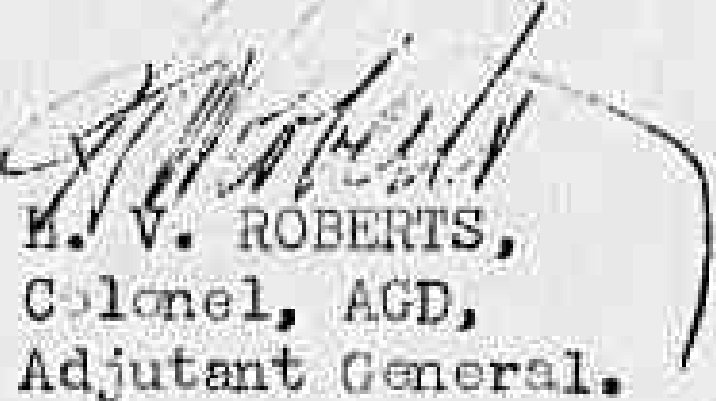
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U. S. Contingent (Provisional), he ably participated in the planning and execution of the intelligence activities pertaining to the invasion and occupation of Sicily and Italy. He substantially assisted in directing and supervising the assembly, evaluation, and dissemination of vast amounts of enemy information gathered from many sources. By his keen judgment, sound professional knowledge and accurate deductions, he produced timely and sound reports of enemy activities and estimates of enemy capabilities which greatly assisted commanders in making successful decisions and plans. As Senior Officer of the American contingent of an integrated combined British and American staff section, Colonel Smith displayed tact, initiative, and adaptability in fitting himself and his staff into a new organization in such a manner that it operated smoothly and efficiently. Entered United States Military Academy from New Jersey.

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I -- RESCISSION OF GENERAL ORDER

1. Sections I, II, and III, General Order Number 16, this headquarters, cs, are rescinded.

II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal was posthumously awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named enlisted man:

CHARLEY J. ROBERTSON, 35119849, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 18th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement against the enemy at Medjez el Bab, El Guettar and Mateur, Tunisia from December 1942 to May 1943. Next of kin: Mrs. Laura Peters, 1038 Summer Street, Hamilton, Ohio.

III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officer:

DON O. CURRIER, 0358218, Captain, Infantry, 18th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Medjez el Bab, El Guettar and Mateur, Tunisia from December 1942 to May 1943. Entered service from Grant Mills, Rhode Island.

IV - AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel:

JOHN DAKIN, 31002101, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 1 January 1943 to 13 May 1943, as a battalion sergeant major during the Tunisian Campaign, Staff Sergeant Dakin initiated a simplified system which materially expedited vital military reports. On numerous occasions he volunteered and aided in the evacuation of casualties and supervised in the burial of soldiers. His fidelity

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to duty, his long hours of work without complaining, his thorough knowledge of administration, and his exacting accuracy in keeping important records under extremely adverse conditions were above and beyond that to be expected of any soldier of like grade and experience. Entered service from New Bedford, Massachusetts.

JAMES O. MOORE, 01548262, First Lieutenant, Ordnance, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa during February and March 1943. When it was found that the operation of the M4 Medium Tank was impeded by poorly operating fuel pumps, Lieutenant Moore, with unusual ingenuity and mechanical skill, designed a pressure relief valve which overcame previous defects. The valve was accepted for installation in medium tanks of the Second Armored Division and was later adopted in all essential design features by the Ordnance Department, becoming standard equipment in medium tanks manufactured with R-975ECL engines. Lieutenant Moore's exceptional contribution to the operational effectiveness of the medium tank was a material benefit to the war effort of the United States. Entered service from Gainesville, Florida.

V -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT


By direction of the President, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the War Department to the following named officer:

LEON A. MEARS, 0276353, Captain, (then First Lieutenant), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from 17 August to 28 December 1942 at Accra, Gold Coast, British West Africa. Arriving at Accra in command of a signal platoon of comparatively inexperienced personnel, he proceeded to carry out his assignment of setting up a radio station. Upon arrival of the equipment it was found that a number of critical items were missing and had to be improvised. In spite of these handicaps, Captain Mears, through his untiring efforts and ingenuity, placed the station in operation in a very short time, thereby relieving the Army Airways Communication System of the burden of administrative radio traffic to and from Washington and at the same time providing a relay channel for traffic between Washington and the China-Burma-India theater. Captain Mears frequently and voluntarily took over the operating position, maintaining communications when the only capable operators were exhausted. Through his leadership, devotion to duty, and example the station developed into a highly efficient unit in the War Department communications net.

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I -- ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASSIGNMENT OF SECRETARY, GENERAL STAFF

Section I, General Order Number 15, this headquarters, cs, is rescinded.

II -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT (OAK LEAF CLUSTER)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Legion of Merit previously awarded by the War Department, as published in General Orders Number 57, War Department, 1943, the bronze Oak Leaf Cluster was awarded by the Theater Commander under provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, to the following named officer:

ELBERT L. FORD, 05251, Brigadier General, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from August 1942 to February 1944. As Ordnance chief from the inception of Allied Force Headquarters he successfully planned and coordinated all ordnance problems in the preparation for the TORCH operation. Later serving as Chief of Staff, North African Theater of Operation, General Ford by his activities in the formation of the Communications Zone was instrumental in solving unprecedented theater problems of overall supply, communication and administration of ports. His ability, self-denial and habitual perseverance in the performance of arduous tasks were incentives to the creation of a smoothly operating staff. Entered United States Military Academy from Connecticut.

III -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel:

KENNETH W. PHILLIPS, 31067410, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 727th Railway Operating Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during the Sicilian Campaign. Entrusted with the vital tasks of Yardmaster and Chief Clerk at the rail yards which were the supply base for a rapidly advancing division, Master Sergeant Phillips skillfully and expeditiously solved countless problems created by fast moving combat situations. He showed marked ability in organizing and gaining the assistance of civilian railroad workers in reestablishing essential rail communications to forward areas, and through his efforts contributed in great measure to the successful operations of the Military Railway Service in Sicily. His performance was at all times of the highest merit and was a credit to himself and to the armed forces of the United States. Entered service from Marblehead, Massachusetts.

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ERNEST E. FOULKS, 0228921, Lieutenant Colonel, Transportation Corps, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 7 to 13 October 1943. As Commanding Officer and Division Superintendent, 713th Railway Operating Battalion during the Italian Campaign, Lieutenant Colonel Foulks organized and directed his battalion's reconstruction activities in the rehabilitation of the heavily damaged rail facilities of the port of Naples, and the rebuilding of a section of the main line to the railhead at Casoria. Demonstrating superior organizing ability and indefatigable energy, he inspired his battalion to overcome momentous obstacles in the completion of vital rail communications in record time. Entered service from Los Angeles, California.

IV -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the War Department to the following named officer:

EDMUND R. WALKER, 0291567, Major, Infantry, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during the period 15 June to 1 November 1943. As Chief of Supply Division, G-4 Section, Fifth Army, Major Walker, with a clear understanding of the details and magnitude of supply problems, anticipated supply requirements and drew up the basic supply plans for the Fifth Army amphibious invasion of Italy on 9 September 1943. Major Walker was charged with the compilation of requisitions from army supply services that set up the supplies for the initial and follow-up maintenance convoys for all United States troops scheduled to be in Italy by the first of December. Major Walker's basic supply plan for the original assault, because of its flexibility, was expanded to cover additional large forces allotted to the Fifth Army just prior to the invasion and further forces ordered into Italy during the early combat phases. Major Walker's rare foresight in skilfully allocating tonnage for initial and early follow-up convoys, thereby providing essential but limited supply reserves in the early phase, enabled United States forces to be continually maintained even though two Liberty ships were sunk with large amounts of supply and a violent storm prevented unloading activities for two days. It was due in no small measure to Major Walker's sound judgment and clear understanding of supply requirements, involving a large scale amphibious operation and subsequent offensives, that the United States portion of the Fifth Army operation was successfully carried on from a logistical and supply viewpoint. Entered service from Stonington, Connecticut.

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I - STAFF REORGANIZATION

The following staff sections of Headquarters SOS NATOUSA, in addition to their other duties and functions, will perform their respective staff functions for this headquarters:

- a. G-1 Publications Section
- b. Army Exchange Service Section
- c. Chaplains Section
- d. Morale Services Section
- e. Special Service Section
- f. Provost Marshal General's Section
- g. Censorship Section

II - AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named individuals:

WILLIAM C. CHANEY, R3179140, Technical Sergeant, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 1 July 1942 to 13 October 1943. During this period Technical Sergeant Chaney has served as orderly for Lieutenant General Mark W. Clark, having complete direction of the quarters and mess of General Clark in the various places where the latter has served successively as Commanding General, II United States Corps, Deputy Commander in Chief, Allied Force Headquarters, and since 5 January 1943 as Commanding General, Fifth Army. Throughout this time Sergeant Chaney has with conspicuous ingenuity and determination provided for the Commanding General's personal needs and for all necessary hospitality extended by the latter, whose responsibilities required frequent reception of important military and civil officials, often in connection with negotiations of high importance. This exacting work was accomplished by Technical Sergeant Chaney with maximum efficiency and minimum trouble and concern to General Clark. Sergeant Chaney has performed these duties cheerfully and efficiently under a wide variety of conditions, often in the field, and has set an example to all personnel with whom he came in contact. He accompanied his Commanding General on the invasions at Algiers and Salerno and has performed his duties with uniform efficiency under enemy bombardment. Throughout these operations, Sergeant Chaney performed his duties calmly, effectively and with unflinching fidelity, freeing the Army Commander from any concern for the necessary routine of his personal daily life.

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ISADORE HERMAN, 0434414, Captain, Air Corps, ** Bombardment Squadron, ** Bombardment Group (L), for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as squadron engineering officer from 7 January 1943 to 13 May 1943. Handicapped by an extreme lack of essential maintenance equipment, and operating out of advanced airfields, frequently subjected to enemy bombing and strafing attacks, Captain Herman displayed great ingenuity in keeping aircraft at the high degree of serviceability required for extensive combat operations. The uncomplaining attitude and willing whole-hearted cooperation existing among the members of the section in the face of these hardships are indicative of the remarkable quality of discipline and devotion to duty inspired by Captain Herman's leadership. Entered service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

BENJAMIN H. CROSLAND, 0412321, Colonel, Transportation Corps, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa from February 1943 through October 1943. As a member of the advance echelon of Headquarters, Military Railway Service, Colonel Crosland was placed in complete charge of all railway construction and rehabilitation work of Allied Force, Military Railway Service. His prompt decisions and personal guidance at critical periods of the operations in the forward areas contributed materially to the excellent record established by railway construction troops. His advance planning in placement of materials and disposition of troops was so incredibly accurate that the construction and rehabilitation of railroads was regularly completed in advance of the requirements for usage by the combat troops. Entered service from Fort Scott, Kansas.


III - AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the War Department to the following named officer:

PERCY M. BARR, 0420437, Colonel (then Lieutenant Colonel), Air Corps, Army of the United States. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 1 March 1942 to 29 March 1943. As Executive Officer, and later Chief, Operational Intelligence Division of the Intelligence Service, Army Air Forces, he demonstrated exceptional ability, tact, and judgment. His supervision of the work of preparing air route guides, air movement studies, airport directories, target information, and photographic intelligence was of great assistance to the Army Air Forces in its tactical and administrative missions. Colonel BARR's efficient handling of the tasks assigned him materially assisted the war effort of the Army Air Forces, and was the subject of commendation by superior officers.

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Award of Soldier's Medal (Posthumous) I
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I -- AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, the Soldier's Medal was posthumously awarded by the Theater Commander, to the following named enlisted men:

JOSEPH P. KENNEDY, 37282404, Private, Military Railway Service, for heroism on 23 February 1944 at Mola, Italy. Observing a brakeman who was adjusting the couplings on a box car, unaware of a locomotive and several cars backing toward him, Private Kennedy with complete disregard to his own life jumped between the cars and pushed the brakeman to safety. In performing this courageous act, he was caught between the buffers of the cars as they came together, receiving injuries that caused his death. The great heroism and selfless courage in saving the life of another by sacrificing his own are deserving of the highest praise. Next of kin: Mrs. Stella Kennedy, 211 1st Bcol, Hibbing, Minnesota.

II -- AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, the Soldier's Medal was awarded by the War Department to the following named personnel:

ANDREW K. GARNER, 14111101, Private, *** Ordnance Ammunition Company, United States Army. For heroism on 20 November 1943 at Aversa, Italy. Immediately after an enemy air attack on an ammunition dump, Private Garner, without regard for his personal safety, ran to a large stack of propelling charges which was burning and pulled the blazing part away from other charges. Knowing that such powder is highly inflammable and that any moment the flames would spread, Private Garner stopped the spread of fire and saved badly needed ammunition at a vital supply depot. Entered service from Greenville, South Carolina.

EMIL R. STENSTROM, 19104324, Private First Class, *** Ordnance Ammunition Company, United States Army. For heroism at Morris, Algeria, on 12 October 1943. While supervising Arab workers unloading 75-mm ammunition from a truck one shell exploded, setting off several others. All but one of the Arabs ran to safety. One, apparently too frightened to move, remained on the truck. Private Stenstrom, at the risk of his life, climbed on the truck and succeeded in getting this man off and to safety. Immediately after this daring rescue the remaining ammunition exploded. Entered service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

ALFRED M. CARBONNEAU, 31108900, Technician Fifth Grade, *** Quartermaster Gas Supply Company, United States Army. For heroism on 15 December 1943 at Palermo, Sicily. Technician Carbonneau was in charge of a detail of about 25 prisoners of war working at a railroad yard where, in addition to railroad cars,

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there were stored several thousand empty gasoline drums. A fire started among some of the drums and was quickly spread by gasoline on the ground and by fumes. Although he was between two piles of drums which restricted action, Technician Carboneau, with great presence of mind and complete disregard for his safety, immediately began to remove drums from the flaming area. While removing the last of these drums, it exploded in his face, causing Technician Carboneau to be badly burned. By his courageous action, this soldier averted a series of fires and explosions, thereby probably saving loss of life and great damage to Government property. Entered service from Stratham, New Hampshire.

SALVATORE DISCLAFANI, 32297264, Technician Fifth Grade, Operational Group A, *** Headquarters Company Experimental (Provisional), United States Army. For heroism at Ile Rousse, Corsica on 22 December 1943. While training for landing operations with rubber boats, several members of the crew of one boat were washed overboard by high waves. Technician DiSclafani was passing along the beach when he heard the one remaining member of the boat crew calling to him to help one of the men in the water who was in grave danger of drowning. Without regard for his personal safety, Technician DiSclafani plunged into the rough sea fully clothed and went to the assistance of his fellow soldier who lost consciousness just as help reached him. Battered by the rough sea and weighted down by the limp body of the soldier he rescued, Technician DiSclafani fought his way to shore. Entered service from Brooklyn, New York.

CHARLES D. MCKAIN, 13107735, Corporal, *** Engineer Petroleum Distribution Unit Operating Detachment, United States Army. For heroism on 25 July 1943, at Conde Smendou, Algeria. Corporal McKain, knowing that there was poisonous gas at the bottom of a 40-foot vertical mine shaft, against which his service gas mask would not protect him, voluntarily descended and attempted to rescue his platoon leader, Lieutenant William R. S. Jones, and a comrade Staff Sergeant Roy Smith, who were overcome by the gas and were lying unconscious at the bottom of the shaft. With a rope tied about his chest, Corporal McKain went down and hooked a winch line through Staff Sergeant Smith's belt, after which he was overcome by the gas but was pulled out and revived shortly afterward. Entered service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

LUCIEN KATZENBERG, JR., 0386496, First Lieutenant, Company B, *** Port Battalion, Transportation Corps, United States Army. For heroism on 23 September 1943, at Bouissaville, Algeria. When two members of a swimming party were trapped in a strong undertow and were in grave danger, Lieutenant Katzenberg swam to their assistance. With considerable difficulty, he brought both exhausted men to shore. His heroism probably saved the lives of two persons. Entered service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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I -- BOUNDARIES OF THE NORTH AFRICAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS, U. S. ARMY

Section II, General Orders Number 1, this headquarters, 1943, is rescinded. Changes in theater boundaries will be announced by letter to all headquarters concerned.

II -- AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, the Soldier's Medal was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named enlisted man:

GILBERT A. GORSE, 33160979, Sergeant, for heroism at Sambuca, Sicily on 15 November 1943. Upon hearing a muffled explosion and seeing flames shooting from a residence, Sergeant Gorse broke open the door with the butt of his rifle, and found a woman and seven children overcome by smoke and surrounded by flames. He entered the flaming building several times, heedless of his own safety, fully aware that the fierceness of the fire was due to quantities of gun-powder stored therein. Through Sergeant Gorse's efforts all persons were removed and the lives of all but three of the children were saved. His courage and heroism in the presence of combatant people reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Entered service from New Cumberland, Pennsylvania.

III -- AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, the Soldier's Medal was awarded by the War Department to the following named enlisted man:

ANTHONY T. PORTANTE, 33246671, Corporal, *** Engineer Petroleum Distribution Unit Operating Detachment, United States Army. For heroism on 25 July 1943 at Conde Smendou, Algeria. Corporal Portante, knowing that there was poisonous gas at the bottom of a 40-foot vertical mine shaft, voluntarily went down and attempted to rescue his platoon leader, Lieutenant William R. S. Jones, and his comrade Staff Sergeant Roy Smith, who had been overcome by the gas and were lying unconscious at the bottom of the shaft. With a rope tied about his chest, and wearing an improvised oxygen face mask, he went down and tied ropes around both of the victims, and was himself pulled safely out. During his movements at the bottom of the shaft, his face mask was partially disarranged, and when he was lifted out he had almost lost consciousness. As a result of his action the bodies of Lieutenant Jones and Staff Sergeant Smith were both taken from the shaft, although efforts to revive them upon their withdrawal failed. Entered service from Windber, Pennsylvania.

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By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel:

DAVID E. FOSTER, 36355245, Master Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant), for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 11 July to 17 August 1943. By improvising spare parts from all types of salvage and using tools that he could borrow, Master Sergeant Foster displayed exceptional ingenuity and ability by permitting his unit to have serviceable aircraft at all times. In over 1600 flying hours in planes either repaired or rebuilt by himself, there was not a single structural or engine failure. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

GEORGE H. MAULDIN, 0895656, First Lieutenant, CMP, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa from 20 December 1942 to 15 December 1943. As a Master Sergeant, and later as a lieutenant in the Provost Marshal General's Office, Allied Force Headquarters, he thoroughly trained personnel and brilliantly supervised them in a superior manner in addition to his own diversified tasks. In the absence of the Chief of Section, Lieutenant Mauldin took action on many matters ordinarily reserved for the decision of the Provost Marshal General, and on all occasions he exhibited mature judgment, vigor and executive ability far beyond that expected of one of like grade and experience. His valuable services were a material contribution to the success of the Provost Marshal General's Office. Entered service from Atlanta, Georgia.

V -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART


By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individual for wounds received in action against the enemy:

ALBERT F. MAVERA, 31034933, Private, 66th Ordnance Company, Tunisia, 17 January 1943.

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- Award of Soldier's Medal (Posthumous) I
- Award of Soldier's Medal II
- Award of Legion of Merit III

I -- AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, the Soldier's Medal was posthumously awarded by the War Department to the following named officer:

GLENN G. GRISWOLD, 0523023, Captain, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroism on 26 December 1943, at Naples, Italy. Captain Griswold as Civil Defense Officer of the City of Naples under Allied Military Government made a personal reconnaissance of a fire which was then raging in a grotto at that location used by the Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army, as a place for storage of munitions. Military and civilian firemen were gathering to combat the blaze but Captain Griswold ordered them to a place of safety after a preliminary inspection of the grotto. While a more thorough inspection of the grotto was being made by him without regard for his safety, a severe explosion occurred and he was killed. By the prompt, efficient, and courageous action of this officer the lives of many firemen present were saved. Next of kin: Mrs. Lucille H. Griswold (wife), 6029 Herford Drive, East Los Angeles, California.

II -- AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, the Soldier's Medal was awarded by the War Department to the following named personnel:

FREDERICK J. SCHAPPER, 35327745, Private, Battery D, *** Coast Artillery Battalion (Antiaircraft) (Automatic Weapons), United States Army. For heroism on 14 December 1943, at Palermo, Sicily. Sparks from a passing locomotive set fire to 13 interlaced camouflage nets, which formed a canopy over the battery motor pool area. The fire was soon out of control and loss of the 13 vehicles parked therein seemed imminent. In an effort to remove some of the vehicles, a section of the burning nets fall on one of the trucks, completely enveloping it. This truck was blazing furiously and was in great danger of exploding at any moment. Private Schaffer ran to this truck and after struggling with the flaming net, managed to enter the truck and drive it into the sea. In doing this, the other nets were pulled with him and the fire extinguished. By his fearless conduct and quick action, he undoubtedly prevented destruction of 13 Government vehicles and possible injury to enlisted personnel in the vicinity. Entered service from ⁵⁵⁸³ Fortwalk, Ohio.

ALEXANDER A. CAPPELLA, 6906501, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery F, *** Coast Artillery (Antiaircraft), United States Army. For heroism on 2 January 1944. A mountainous wave broke over the north jetty in Palermo harbor just before daybreak, sweeping a kitchen hut and equipment and two members of a 40mm gun section into an exceptionally rough sea. Technician Cappella, awakened by the cries for help, rushed out of his hut and, at the risk of his life, plunged into the turbulent water.

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Seeing one of the victims already being rescued he struck for the other about 25 yards from the jetty. The stormy condition of the harbor plus the fact that the man could not swim made his rescue a most difficult and dangerous task. He was finally brought to a ladder on the jetty and hauled out. This display of courage and quick action by Technician Cappella was responsible for saving a soldier from drowning. Entered service from Buffalo, New York.

CHARLES E. GOSS, 6149202, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery F, *** Coast Artillery (Antiaircraft), United States Army. For heroism on 2 January 1944. A mountainous wave broke over the north jetty in Palermo harbor just before daybreak, sweeping a kitchen hut and equipment and two members of a 40mm gun section into an exceptionally rough sea. Technician Goss, awakened by the cries for help, dashed out of his hut and, at the risk of his life, plunged into the turbulent water. About 25 yards from the jetty, he reached one of the men who was panic stricken and not able to swim. Despite the unusual violence of the sea, and in a state of virtual exhaustion, Technician Goss brought the victim to a ladder on the jetty where he was hauled up by a rope. The man would have undoubtedly drowned were it not for the bravery and complete disregard for personal safety on the part of Technician Goss. Entered service from Providence, Rhode Island.

ANTHONY J. MARGURIET, 13060890, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, Island Base Section, United States Army. For heroism at Siracusa, Sicily, on 7 December 1943. In the small galley of a railroad car a defective gasoline burning heating unit burst into flame, igniting gasoline flowing over the floor and enveloping the small kitchen in smoke and flame. There was imminent danger that the fire would reach the Diesel fuel tanks and cause an explosion. Technician Marguriet, at the risk of his life, entered the galley, covered the burning unit with blankets, and threw it from the car. In so doing, he saved the life of a railroad employee who was trapped in the forward operating cab and prevented further spread of the fire. Entered service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

III -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the War Department to the following named enlisted man:

CLARENCE V. HENDERSON, 18010763, Technical Sergeant, *** Fighter-Bomber Squadron, *** Fighter-Bomber Group, Army Air Forces, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service. Through his ingenuity Sergeant Henderson found a means to eliminate the extreme noise in the VHF sets which had virtually left the pilots of his squadron without the use of radio during combat missions. His system was used to great advantage in his squadron and was adopted by others. Entered service from Jacksonville, Texas.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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- Award of Distinguished Service Medal I
- Award of Silver Star II
- Award of Soldier's Medal III

I -- AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL

By direction of the President, the Distinguished-Service Medal was awarded by the War Department to the following named officers:

JOHN K. CANNON, 010212, Major General, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility during the period February to December 1943. As Deputy Commander of the Tactical Air Force his efforts have been in a large measure responsible for the success of the cooperation between ground and air forces to make possible the successful landing of troops in Sicily and Italy. General Cannon has consistently displayed a keen knowledge of air force problems and exceptional qualities of leadership which have been of the highest importance in perfecting the essential team work in our allied forces. Entered service from Utah.

JOHN A. CRANE, 02472, Major General (then Brigadier General), Army of the United States, for exceptionally meritorious service in a duty of great responsibility from July 1943 to January 1944 as Commanding General of the *** Field Artillery Brigade. General Crane planned brilliantly and coordinated all artillery operations in support of the *** Corps in the Sicilian Campaign and in support of the *** Corps in the Italian Campaign. His skillful integration of the many and diverse artillery elements under his direction and the employment of their fires under the highly organized system of control which he exercised brought remarkably successful results. By his adept use of artillery fires, the enemy often was surprised and demoralized, repeated counterattacks were dissipated, hostile forces were routed, and the advance of our own troops was assured. Throughout every phase of operations General Crane went about tirelessly, synchronizing the activities of his units with that of the other elements of the command, and succeeded in constantly improving their dispositions. In the Italian Campaign, through the intelligent application and crushing weight of his artillery fires, the capture of the key town of Avellino was made possible. The rapid advance to and the first crossing of the Volturno River, a major obstacle which followed, were attributable directly to the effectiveness of the artillery fires which supported and sustained the action throughout. General Crane's competence and exceptional ability in handling the units under his control were invaluable contributing factors to the successful operations of the *** Corps in Italy. Entered service from Maryland.

II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, the Silver Star was awarded by the War Department to the following named enlisted men:

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SYLVESTER A. SAMMARTINE, 32007389, Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 3d Battalion, 6th Armored Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 23 April to 4 May 1943, near Mateur, Tunisia. Sergeant Sarmartine during this period led and supervised the evacuation of the dead and wounded of his battalion. The evacuations were effected under the most difficult conditions of mountainous terrain, heavy mortar and artillery fire, and through mine fields around Djebel Salama, Tunisia. Whenever the occasion arose for litter bearers, Sergeant Sarmartine, with utter disregard for his personal safety, volunteered to lead all squads. Entered service from New York, New York.

III -- AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, the Soldier's Medal was awarded by the War Department to the following named personnel of the Medical Detachment, *** Coast Artillery Battalion (Antiaircraft) (Cm), for heroism on 11 October 1943 at Porto Empedocle, Sicily:

HUBERT MESSENGER, 37206122, Private. Entered service from Kingman, Kansas.

JOHN A. DORRINSKI, 12180965, Private First Class. Entered service from New York, New York.

FRANK J. MCGOWAN, JR, 32272534, Private First Class. Entered service from Brooklyn, New York.

RODNEY M. PRESTON, 16917612, Corporal. Entered service from Peoria, Illinois.


SAMUEL P. DURR, 0543885, Captain, Medical Corps, United States Army. Entered service from Rock Island, Illinois.

A United States Government truck loaded with ammunition and a barge also loaded with ammunition exploded and were burning fiercely in the port of Porto Empedocle, Sicily. These men, in response to an emergency call for medical assistance from the port authority, proceeded to the scene of the explosion and fire with members of the medical detachment of their battalion. With utter disregard for their own safety, they climbed aboard the burning ammunition barge, where they found a number of badly injured and maimed civilians. In the midst of exploding ammunition and while faced with the imminent danger of further major explosions, with the aid of members of their detachment, they succeeded in collecting the maimed and injured and in transferring them to shore for first aid and evacuation. Through their efficient performance of duty and utter disregard for danger and personal risk, many lives were saved.

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NUMBER #19)

17 March 1944

STAFF REORGANIZATION

Paragraph c, General Order Number 13, this headquarters, cs, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

c. The following special staff sections and section of a general staff section and their functions are abolished in this headquarters and are transferred to Headquarters SOS, NATOUSA:

- (1) G-1 Publications Section of the G-1 Section.
- (2) Army Exchange Service Section.
- (3) Chaplains Section.
- (4) Morale Services Section.
- (5) Special Service Section.
- (6) Provost Marshal General's Section.
- (7) Censorship Section.

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26 February 1944

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I - ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASSIGNMENT OF SECRETARY, GENERAL STAFF

Announcement is made of the assignment of Colonel JOHN O. KILGORE, 0266351, INF, as Secretary, General Staff, this headquarters.

II - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Soldier's Medal is awarded in the name of the President, to each of the following named individuals:

HAC PETERS, 32266320, Private First Class, for heroism at Port Say, French Morocco, on 18 July 1943. When an enlisted man swimming in a rough and dangerous spot was reported in danger of drowning, Private First Class Peters swam to his aid despite the great personal danger from high waves and a powerful current. Upon reaching the drowning man, he held him in a life ring and when another member of the rescue crew became exhausted, Private First Class Peters maneuvered the life ring around for his support. By his fortitude and clear-headed efforts, he assisted the party to reach shore, thereby aiding in saving the life of a comrade. Entered service from Trenton, New Jersey.

CLARE W. JOLLEY, 35000350, Staff Sergeant, for heroism at Port Say, French Morocco, on 18 July 1943. When it was reported that a man swimming in a rough and dangerous spot was in peril of drowning, Staff Sergeant Jolley swam to his aid despite the great personal danger from high waves and a powerful current. Upon reaching the victim, whom another enlisted man was holding in a life ring while a third soldier clung to it for support, Sergeant Jolley swam to shore through towering waves and against a strong current, towing the man to safety. Entered service from Dagers Store, Virginia.

CLAUDE E. DAVIS, 0684794, First Lieutenant, Ordnance, for heroism on 5 September 1943. When three soldiers swimming in the sea near Bizerte, Tunisia, were observed to be in distress, Lieutenant Davis, disregarding the danger ⁵³⁸⁶ to himself from the strong undertow and extremely rough water, accompanied by another officer, swam to the rescue of the imperiled men. With the aid of two inflated mattress covers, Lieutenant Davis and his companion succeeded in keeping the exhausted swimmers afloat for a period of an hour until it was possible to bring them within reach of a human chain formed from the shore. The courageous actions of this officer, instrumental in saving the lives of three men, are deserving of highest praise. Entered service from Estes Park, Colorado.

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CHARLES F. STEWART, 0464777, First Lieutenant, Ordnance, for heroism on 5 September 1943. When three soldiers swimming in the sea near Bizerte, Tunisia, were observed to be in distress, Lieutenant Stewart, disregarding the danger to himself from the strong undertow and extremely rough water, accompanied by another officer, swam to the rescue of the imperiled men. With the aid of two inflated mattress covers, Lieutenant Stewart and his companion succeeded in keeping the exhausted swimmers afloat for a period of an hour until it was possible to bring them within reach of a human chain formed from the shore. The courageous actions of this officer, instrumental in saving the lives of three men, are deserving of highest praise. Entered service from Gunnison, Colorado.

III - AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT


Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, the Legion of Merit is awarded in the name of the President to the following named enlisted man:

LADDIE P. BELL, 6994404, Master Sergeant, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in Corsica, from 16 December 1943 to 8 January 1944. In charge of the unit's heavy road maintenance equipment, Sergeant Bell was instrumental in the timely reopening of vital roads blocked by landslides and bridge washouts. Successfully moving the equipment over narrow mountainous roads made treacherous by heavy rains, he directed its operation to restore the roads to usability within a fraction of the time expected, thereby completing a mission of great importance to the continued occupation and defense of the island. Entered service from Swoope, Virginia.

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Establishment and Chief, Claims Section	I
Award of Soldier's Medal	II
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I - ESTABLISHMENT AND CHIEF, CLAIMS SECTION

1. Announcement is made of the incorporation of the Claims Section of this headquarters into the Judge Advocate Section of this headquarters.
2. General Orders Number 94, this headquarters, 1943, is rescinded.

II - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Soldier's Medal is awarded in the name of the President to each of the following named individuals:

ALFRED H. POWELL, 7344530, Sergeant, Royal Army Medical Corps, British Army, for heroism on 31 March 1943 in the vicinity of Maison Carree, Algeria. When two members of a swimming party cried for help as they were drawn out to sea by a strong undertow, Sergeant Powell, with disregard for personal danger, swam through the treacherous water to their assistance. He sustained them for several minutes, but they finally slipped from his grasp and went under the sea. Becoming so exhausted by his great exertion, he barely succeeded in reaching the shore. His brave action was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

JAMES McLEAN, 183494, Captain, Royal Army Medical Corps, British Army, for heroism on 22 June 1943, on the island of Pantelleria. When an American soldier had been blown over a cliff by a bomb explosion and was lying severely wounded directly under a loosened over-hanging crag, Captain McLean courageously and unhesitatingly made his way to the injured man, efficiently rendered medical aid and assisted in removing him to a place of safety. These acts were performed with the full knowledge that the mass of rocks might slide at any moment and actually did fall soon after the rescue. The heroism displayed by Captain McLean reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service.

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III - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF LEGION OF MERIT

1. So much of Section III, General Orders Number 165, this headquarters, 1943, as pertains to John J. Gwozdz, 6979422, Staff Sergeant, is rescinded, and the following substituted therefor:

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, the Legion of Merit is posthumously awarded in the name of the President to the following named enlisted man:

JOHN J. GWOZDZ, 6979442, Staff Sergeant, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa from 17 February 1943 to 8 May 1943. Throughout several intense battles he personally supervised the litter squads of his section, and in many instances went forward in the face of deadly enemy artillery fire to pick up the wounded when his men became exhausted. Through his outstanding leadership and administrative efficiency, he secured the willing cooperation of all and established a superior record for both himself and his section. Entered service from Chicopee, Massachusetts.

2. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, the Legion of Merit is awarded posthumously to the following named officer:

SAMUEL A. SYME, 0114804, Major, GSC, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as a member of the G-1 Section, Headquarters, Seventh Army, from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943. Following the landings in French Morocco, by his tact and unusual personal qualities, he speedily obtained the effective cooperation of civilian and military authorities which enabled him to procure headquarters facilities, billets and storage for an endless stream of military personnel and supplies. His sound direction of the processing of prisoners of war and the functioning of graves registration services enabled Seventh Army to achieve unusual success in its handling of these problems. His unceasingly faithful and efficient performance of duty contributed immeasurably to the successful operation of his section during two major campaigns. Next of kin: Mrs. Samuel A. Syme (Wife), 6800 45th Street, Chevy Chase, Maryland.

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- Announcement of Assignment of Chief of Staff, NATOUSA I
- Announcement of Assignment of Deputy Chief of Staff, NATOUSA II
- Designation of Commander of Communications Zone III
- Designation of Deputy Commander, North African Theater of Operations. . IV

I -- ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASSIGNMENT OF CHIEF OF STAFF, NATOUSA

Announcement is made of the assignment of Brigadier General DAVID G. BARR, 010313, GSC, as Chief of Staff, NATOUSA, vice Brigadier General ELBERT L. FORD, 05251, GSC, relieved.

II -- ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASSIGNMENT OF DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, NATOUSA

Announcement is made of assignment of Brigadier General ELBERT L. FORD, 05251, GSC, as Deputy Chief of Staff, NATOUSA.

III -- DESIGNATION OF COMMANDER OF COMMUNICATIONS ZONE

Section V, General Orders Number 4, this headquarters, 1943, is hereby rescinded.

IV -- DESIGNATION OF DEPUTY COMMANDER, NORTH AFRICAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS

Section VI, General Orders Number 4, this headquarters, 1943, is hereby rescinded.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

DAVID G. BARR,
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