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GENERAL ORDERS)
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Award of Oak Leaf Cluster for Legion of Merit I
Award of Legion of Merit II

I --- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, in addition to the Legion of Merit awarded by the Theater Commander as published in NATOUSA General Orders Number 40, 1943, the bronze Oak Leaf Cluster was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officer for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

TERENCE J. TULLY, 012823, Brigadier General, United States Army, for services in North Africa and Italy from 4 July 1943 to 28 September 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from the United States at Large.

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:

HAROLD C. AREEY, 36356264, Technician Fourth Grade, 1778th Ordnance Supply and Maintenance Company, (Aviation), for services in North Africa from 1 September to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

LEO F. ALTON, 37420346, Sergeant, 446th Bombardment Squadron for services in North Africa and Italy from 15 March to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Little Sioux, Iowa.

ULRICH J. ONF, 12041008, Technician Third Grade, 1778th Ordnance Supply and Maintenance Company, (Aviation), for services in North Africa from 1 September to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Bergenfield, New Jersey.

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CHARLES S. WEST, 11014238, Staff Sergeant, 560th Service Squadron, for services in Italy from 15 March to 6 June 1944. Entered service from Brewer, Maine.

LOUIS EVANGELISTA, 12038822, Technical Sergeant, 332d Bombardment Squadron, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 23 November 1942 to 31 August 1943. Entered service from Belleville, New Jersey.

JOHN C. HUSEBY, 37091306, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters and Service Company, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for services in Sicily and Italy from 22 June 1943 to 1 June 1944. Entered service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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STANLEY J. JACHIMIEC, 36349133, Master Sergeant, Headquarters 47th Bombardment Wing, for services in North Africa and Italy from August 1943 to August 1944. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

RAYMOND J. MOORE, 20412684, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Mediterranean Base Section, North African Theater of Operations, for services from 5 December 1942 to 15 April 1944. Entered service from Statesville, North Carolina.

MERLE D. ROBERTS, 6566226, Master Sergeant, 774th Bombardment Squadron, for services in Italy from 18 April to 18 August 1944. Entered service from Santa Ana, California.

CHARLES E. WIBERT, 6913185, Master Sergeant, 27th Fighter Squadron, for services in North Africa, Sicily and Italy from November 1942 to July 1944. Entered service from Detroit, Michigan.

FREDERICK C. McNULTY, 01554935, First Lieutenant, Ordnance, 719th Bombardment Squadron, for services in Italy from January to July 1944. Entered service from Beverly, New Jersey.

FRANCIS S. KALINOWSKI, 02046492, Captain, Air Corps, 154th Weather Reconnaissance Squadron, for services in Italy from 15 March to 11 July 1944. Entered service from Syracuse, New York.

SAMUEL R. KEATOR, 0907652, Captain, Air Corps, 81st Service Squadron, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 20 June to 23 August 1944. Entered service from Wynnewood, Pennsylvania.

HOWARD C. JONES, 0241041, Major, Sanitary Corps, Headquarters, Services of Supply, North African Theater of Operations, for services in North Africa from 1 April 1943 to 1 August 1944. Entered service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

BERNICE M. WILBUR, N703100, Lieutenant Colonel, Army Nurse Corps, Medical Section, Allied Force Headquarters, for services from 7 August 1943 to 31 August 1944. Entered service from Boston, Massachusetts.

JOHN F. MC CARTNEY, 017508, Colonel, Judge Advocate General's Department, Headquarters Twelfth Air Force, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 1 September 1942 to 30 June 1944. Entered service from Washington, D.C.

GEORGE H. BEVERLEY, 011455, Brigadier General, United States Army, for services in Italy from 23 March to 6 June 1944. Entered service from Dallas, Texas.

ROBERT KAUCH, 08345, Brigadier General, United States Army, Headquarters Mediterranean Air Transport Service, for services in North Africa and Italy during the period 1 June 1943 to 30 September 1944. Entered service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

By command of Lieutenant General Devers:

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Brigadier General, GSC,
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GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 99)

29 September 1944

Amendment to General Orders Number 92, 1944 I
Award of Purple Heart and 1st Oak Leaf Cluster II
Award of Soldier's Medal III
Award of Legion of Merit IV

I ---- AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 92, 1944

So much of Section II, NATOUSA General Orders Number 92, 1944, which announces the award of the Distinguished Flying Cross to 1ST LT CLARENCE R. DE YOUNG, 0732187, is amended to read Oak Leaf Cluster to Distinguished Flying Cross.

II --- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART AND 1ST OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart and 1st Oak Leaf Cluster thereto, are awarded to the following named enlisted man:

NORMAN A. ELLSWORTH, 39186606, Technician Fourth Grade, Company "L", 3d Battalion, 168th Infantry Regiment, 15 February 1943, and 20 February 1943, North Africa.

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:

FRENCH C. DAVIS, 0442103, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Airborne Training Center, North African Theater of Operations, for heroism on 31 August 1944, near Rome, Italy. While conducting a class in demolitions, Lieutenant Davis prepared to explode a block of nitro-starch, lighted the fuse and upon discovering that it was faulty, with excellent presence of mind ordered the class to move back. Holding the charge in his hands he calmly turned around to dispose of it in a manner which would prevent injury to the members of the class, realizing at the same time the danger to which he himself was exposed; as Lieutenant Davis attempted to dispose of the burning charge, it exploded, resulting in severe injuries and the loss of both hands. His fearless action, quick thinking and devotion to duty, saved all members of the class from bodily injury, and is deserving of great praise and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered service from Clendenin, West Virginia.

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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:

MILTON G. LEHMAN, JR., 33039139, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters, Services of Supply, North African Theater of Operations, for services in Italy from 11 May to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

THOMAS H. LLOYD, 6874919, Master Sergeant, 1078th Signal Company, for services in North Africa from 7 January to 17 February 1943. Entered service from Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.

JOSEPH L. TRAY, 7022548, Master Sergeant, 344th Bombardment Squadron, for services in North Africa and Italy from 19 July 1943 to 1 March 1944. Entered service from Penn, Pennsylvania.

JOHN URECH, JR., 6725166, Master Sergeant, 96th Fighter Squadron, for services in North Africa and Italy from 8 July 1943 to 10 July 1944. Entered service from Detroit, Michigan.

JAMES H. BIDDY, 0390683, Captain, Ordnance Department, for services in North Africa, from 18 March to 27 December 1943. Entered service from Grenada, Mississippi.

ALOYSIUS C. SMITH, 0345801, Captain, Corps of Engineers, 2614th Engineer Utilities Platoon, for services in North Africa from 6 January 1943 to 30 April 1944. Entered service from Baltimore, Maryland.

WILBUR W. ZURN, 0902983, Captain, (then First Lieutenant), Ordnance Department, Army of the United States, for services in North Africa and Italy from 15 April to 15 November 1943. Entered service from Atlanta, Georgia.

CHARLES A. YOUNG, 0183595, Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters Fifteenth Air Force, for services in Italy from 1 November 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Madison, New Jersey.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

GEORGE D. PENCE,
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GENERAL ORDERS)
: 28 September 1944
NUMBER 98)

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:

GEORGE B. HOPKINS, 37348485, Technician Fourth Grade, 42d Hospital Train, for services in North African Theater of Operations from 1 June to 30 September 1943. Entered service from Pueblo, Colorado.

JOSEPH F. CUNNINGHAM, 11099639, Sergeant, Headquarters Squadron, Fifteenth Air Force Service Command, for services in North Africa and Italy from 15 November 1943 to 6 June 1944. Entered service from Boston, Massachusetts.

RUBEN L. FERNANDEZ, 12032618, Sergeant, 560th Service Squadron, for services in Italy from 15 March to 6 June 1944. Entered service from New York, New York.

JOHN R. ENGLISH, 36318887, Staff Sergeant, Company "B", 40th Engineer Combat Regiment, for services in North Africa, Sicily and Italy from 10 July 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Clinton, Illinois.

CHARLES D. FORRER, 37002077, Technical Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 11th Evacuation Hospital, Semimobile, for services in Sicily from 1 July to 17 August 1943. Entered the service from Parsons, Kansas.

EDWARD M. PETRO, 17015052, Technical Sergeant, 1650th Ordnance Supply and Maintenance Company, Aviation, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 June 1943 to 1 February 1944. Entered service from Chinosville, Missouri.

JOHN BOHONYI, 20238123, Master Sergeant, 338th Quartermaster Depot Supply Company, for services in North Africa from 1 June to 17 August 1943. Entered service from Bordentown, New Jersey.

PAUL L. CROSSON, 15059244, Master Sergeant, 317th Fighter Squadron, for services in Italy from 3 January to 10 August 1944. Entered service from Eppleton, Indiana.

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STEVEN K. HAMMER, 6553156, Master Sergeant, Headquarters 483rd Bombardment Group, for services in North Africa and Italy from 29 March to 15 August 1944. Entered service from San Francisco, California.

MILTON W. HEDRICK, R407081, Master Sergeant, 686th Ordnance Ammunition Company, for service in Italy from 1 November 1943 to 13 January 1944. Entered service from New Haven, Connecticut.

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MARTIN E. METZLER, 6660232, Master Sergeant, 512th Bombardment Squadron, for services in North Africa and Italy from November 1942 to May 1944. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

WALTER H. BURTON, 35255850, First Sergeant, 429th Bombardment Squadron, for services in North Africa and Italy from May 1943 to August 1944. Entered service from Mitchell, Indiana.

JAMES J. MACK, 0110882, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters, Services of Supply, North African Theater of Operations, for services in North Africa from 10 October 1943 to 25 February 1944. Entered service from New York, New York.

ROBERT L. MILES, 0470340, First Lieutenant, Ordnance Department, Headquarters Atlantic Base Section, North African Theater of Operations, for services in French Morocco, North Africa from 23 April to 31 October 1943. Entered service from Danville, Virginia.

JOHN P. MASON, 0389600, Captain, Corps of Engineers, 815th Engineer Aviation Battalion, for services in North Africa, Sicily and Italy, from 25 June 1943 to 3 April 1944. Entered service from Houston, Texas.

EDGAR C. MOODY, 0514340, Captain, Air Corps, Headquarters 465th Bombardment Group, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 16 November 1943 to 15 August 1944. Entered service from Dodge City, Kansas.

HERBERT H. SLATERY, JR., 0387932, Captain, Quartermaster Corps, Headquarters, 21st General Hospital, for services in North Africa from 6 December 1942 to 6 December 1943. Entered service from Knoxville, Tennessee.

EMMETT M. TALLY, JR., 0328208, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters, Fifteenth Air Force, for services in North Africa and Italy, from 1 November 1943 to 6 June 1944. Entered service from Tavares, Florida.

JOHN F. CASSIDY, 012718, Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters VI Corps, for services in Italy from 30 September 1943 to 23 April 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from New York, New York.

LLOYD M. GARNER, 09650, Colonel, Ordnance Department, Headquarters, Peninsular Base Section, North African Theater of Operations, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 June 1943 to 1 June 1944. Entered service from Madison, Wis.

JOSEPH L. LANGEVIN, 012640, Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters VI Corps, for services in Italy from 1 January to 5 June 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Lynn, Massachusetts.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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27 September 1944

Amendment to General Orders Number 81, 1944 I
Amendment to General Orders Number 89, 1944 II
Award of Legion of Merit (Posthumous) III
Award of Legion of Merit IV

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, 021569, Colonel, Air Corps" is amended to read,"JOSEPH A. THOMAS, 021569, 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:

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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 Herminie, Pennsylvania.

THOMAS B. FINLEY, 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 M. 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. MEADERS, 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.

WESTRAY BATTLE BOYCE, L303512, Lieutenant Colonel, MAC, 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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GENERAL ORDERS :
NUMBER 96 :

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 H. TIRKO, 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.

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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. PERRIN, 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. SHULLEN, 0130066, 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, 06373, 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.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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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:

EARL M. BERKNER, 37250249, Technician Fifth Grade, 2683rd Depot Guard Company, for services in North Africa from 22 July 1943 to 20 February 1944. Entered service from Milbank, South Dakota.

FRANK A. CARMEN, 32302352, Technician Fifth Grade, 329th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 25 March to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Hoboken, New Jersey.

WALTER G. RICHARD, 31111192, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters VI Corps, for services in Italy from 20 February to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Manchester, New Hampshire.

AMOS R. TRAIL, 39182209, Technician Fourth Grade, Company C, 540th Engineer Regiment, for services in Italy from 1 May to 30 June 1944. Entered service from French Creek, Idaho.

MICHAEL H. ROURKE, 37132316, Technician Third Grade, Finance Section, Headquarters, 85th Infantry Division, United States Army, for services in Italy from 27 March to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Salisbury, Missouri.

DONALD H. MC CULLOUGH, 37142673, Staff Sergeant, Medical Detachment, Service Battalion, First Special Service Force, for services in Italy from 1 December 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Paola, Kansas.

WILLIAM J. SCHWEIKHARD, 38016059, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 1 November 1943 to 3 June 1944. Entered service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

GEORGE W. BIERMAN, 39156012, Master Sergeant, (then Technician 3rd Grade), 2662 Staging Company, for services in North Africa from 6 March 1943 to 8 February 1944. Entered service from Los Angeles, California.

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WILLIAM F. MARKS, 01106926, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, Company "C", 540th Engineer Regiment, for services in Italy from 1 May to 30 June 1944. Entered service from New Stanton, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM R. TRIGG, III, 01109716, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant), Corps of Engineers, Company "C", 540th Engineer Regiment, for services in Italy from 1 May to 25 June 1944. Entered service from Richmond, Virginia.

THOMAS E. DOUGHERTY, 01100520, Captain, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters 313th Engineer Combat Battalion, for services in Italy from 18 October 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Vineland, New Jersey.

CHARLES P. WILLIAMSON, 0315153, Major, Field Artillery, Headquarters VI Corps Artillery, for services in Italy from 18 February to 6 June 1944. Entered service from Providence, Rhode Island.

EDWARD R. McCARTHY, K100021, Commander, United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, for services with the 591st Engineer Boat Regiment, in the North African Theater of Operations, from 8 November 1942 to 15 December 1943. Entered service from Key West, Florida.

BENJAMIN O. DAVIS, JR., 020146, Colonel, Air Corps, Headquarters 332nd Fighter Group, for services in North Africa, Sicily and Italy from 2 January to 4 July 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Washington, D.C.

JOHN C. HENAGAN, 0163943, Colonel, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Fifth Antiaircraft Artillery Group, for services in Italy from 21 September 1943 to 11 June 1944. Entered service from Dillon, South Carolina.

MYRON P. RUBOLIM, 06430, Colonel, Medical Corps, Headquarters Eastern Base Section, North African Theater of Operations, for services in North Africa from 22 July 1943 to 1 March 1944. Entered service from Louisville, Kentucky.

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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:

GILBERT C. TURNER, 32387873, Technical Sergeant, 88th Quartermaster Company, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Teaneck, New Jersey.

JOHN F. McGRATH, 32003183, Master Sergeant, Service Company, 351st Infantry Regiment, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Hastings-on-Hudson, New York.

JAMES D. PIERCE, 6301305, Master Sergeant, Service Company, 339th Infantry Regiment, for services in North Africa and Italy from 2 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

WOODROW W. ROLIG, 33015314, Master Sergeant, Adjutant General's Office, Headquarters 85th Infantry Division, for services in Italy from 27 April to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Milroy, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH J. BARAN, 32388772, First Sergeant, Company "K", 351st Infantry Regiment, for services in North Africa and Italy from 6 December 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania.

PAUL H. DOWLING, 6130955, First Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 337th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 1 May to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

EDGAR B. SIGE, 6365946, First Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Headquarters IV Corps, for services in Italy from 19 March to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Shelby, North Carolina.

RAYMOND J. VRBA, W2108674, Warrant Officer, (JG), 910th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from 7 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Leroy, Texas.

ELMER J. NESPOR, 01176450, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 27th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 1 February to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Lanhan, Nebraska.

ELMER N. HOLMGREEN, 0523739, Major, Army of the United States, for services in Italy from 15 January to 14 June 1944. Entered service from Bryan, Texas.

FLOYD E. MINOR, 0450047, Major (then Captain), Infantry, Headquarters Third Battalion, 339th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 6 April to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Fredericktown, Maryland.

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JACK W. CHAPLIN, 020616, Lieutenant Colonel, Corps of Engineers Headquarters, Northern Base Section, North African Theater of Operations, for services in Corsica from 1 January to 26 June 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from San Antonio, Texas.

HERBERT G. DENNIS, 0481953, Lieutenant Colonel, Transportation Corps, Headquarters Military Railway Service, for services in Italy from October 1943 to June 1944. Entered service from El Reno, Oklahoma.

CHARLES F. FITE, 0401078, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major), 351st Infantry Regiment, for services in North Africa and Italy from 25 September 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Rock Hill, South Carolina.

DICK W. KING, 0294394, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), General Staff Corps, Headquarters 3rd Infantry Division, for services in North Africa, Sicily and Italy from 1 June 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered Service from Colorado Springs, Colorado.

FRANKLIN P. MILLER, 017538, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major), Field Artillery, 913th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 January to 5 June 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Rutland, Vt.

BYRON E. PEEBLES, 0339282, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 85th Infantry Division for services in Italy from 27 April to 5 June 1944. Entered service from St. Louis, Missouri.

GEORGE T. POWERS, III, 019137, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, 88th Infantry Division Artillery, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 January to 24 July 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Dublin, Georgia.

BRUCE C. PRICE, 0290603, Lieutenant Colonel, Adjutant General's Department, Headquarters, Third Infantry Division, for services in North Africa, Sicily and Italy, from 10 August 1942 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Vancouver, Wash.

JAMES G. FRY, 015023, Colonel, Infantry, 350th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 5 May to 5 June 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Idaho.

LEE S. GEROW, 04681, Brigadier General, United States Army, for services in North Africa and Italy from 5 December 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Tennessee.

PIERRE MALLETT, 08314, Brigadier General, United States Army, for services in Italy from 10 April to 5 June 1944. Entered service from North Carolina.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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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. PENCE, 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. PENCE,
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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, NATOUSA 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, 0732167, 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:

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PAUL T. BLOMMEN, 0452559, Captain, Field Artillery, Cannon Company, 135th Infantry, for services in Italy from 9 September 1943 to 13 July 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Jane Blommen, (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 K. 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. [illegible]CHELZ, 16085125, 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 Steubenville, Michigan.

CHARLES F. MAUDT, 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 H. WHITENER, 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. ERLUF, 0456267, Captain, Infantry, 337th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 21 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Toledo, Ohio.

EARL A. MADSEN, 02/1668, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, 337th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 13 April to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Greybull, Wyoming.

LEE D. HOOPER, 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. RUTLEDGE, 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.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

DAVID G. BARR,
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Award of Legion of Merit II

I ---- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

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

VINCENT E. WOLF, 01308234, Second Lieutenant, Company "F", 505th Parachute Infantry, 10 July 1943, Sicily.

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:

ROLLAND J. O'CONNOR, 37124376, Sergeant, Company "M", 337th Infantry, for services in North Africa and Italy from 15 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Ponca, Nebraska.

LYLE E. DRUMMOND, 36517826, Technician Third Grade, Headquarters 53d Field Hospital, for services in Italy from 18 October 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Adrian, Michigan.

JAMES K. FRIEDLINE, 36019015, Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 338th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 10 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Somerset, Pennsylvania.

RICHARD W. FINCH, 36340087, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 338th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 10 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

JOHN C. HAMMOND, 12014042, Technical Sergeant, 523d Quartermaster [illegible] Company, for services in Sicily and Italy from 15 June 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Dover, Delaware.

GLEN L. WILSON, 35004149, Technical Sergeant, 22d Quartermaster Car Company, for services in North Africa and Italy from 21 February 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Gibsonville, Ohio.

ELTON T. MURPHY, 32378413, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 88th Infantry Division, for services from 23 March 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Granville, New York.

JAMES A. PONTERFIELD, 18029223, Master Sergeant, 85th Signal Company, for services in North Africa and Italy from 4 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Kansas City, Missouri.

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HAROLD G. TIPPS, 6952998, First Sergeant, Company A, 53rd Signal Battalion, for services in North Africa, Sicily and Italy from 8 November 1942 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Wilson, Oklahoma.

WILMONT N. TRUMBULL, W2105208, Chief Warrant Officer, 232d Army Ground Forces Band, for services in Italy from 15 October 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

LAWRENCE BOLLAG, 0920700, Captain, (then First Lieutenant), Army of the United States, Information and Censorship Section, Allied Force Headquarters, for services in Tunisia, Sicily and Italy from 17 November 1942 to 15 June 1944. Entered service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

MAX F. MEYERS, 0451008, Captain, Signal Corps, 53d Signal Battalion, for services in Sicily and Italy from 26 May 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from San Antonio, Texas.

ROBERT W. RIGGINS, JR., 0456616, Captain, Corps of Engineers, 310th Engineer Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from 3 December 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Memphis, Tennessee.

FRANCIS C. GREVEMBERG, 0408972, Lieutenant Colonel, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters 35th Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade, for services in Italy from 25 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

JOHN H. NEWTON, 0306006, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major), Finance Department 33d Finance Disbursing Section, Fifth Army, for services in North Africa and Italy, from 18 March to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Decatur, Georgia.

GORDON SINGLES, 018522, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, 100th Infantry Battalion, 442d Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 15 April to 10 August 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Denver, Colorado.

LOUIS V. HIGHTOWER, 018502, Colonel, Field Artillery, First Armored Regiment for services in North Africa and Italy from July 1942 to May 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

WILBURN V. LUNN, 0190586, Colonel, Coast Artillery Corps, 35th Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade, for services in Italy from 15 August 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Louisiana.

RUPERT E. STARR, 011309, Brigadier General, United States Army, Headquarters 35th AAA Brigade, for services in Italy from 3 August to 23 November 1943. Entered military service from California.

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Award of Oak Leaf Cluster for Legion of Merit I
Award of Legion of Merit II

I ---- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, in addition to the Legion of Merit awarded by the Theater Commander as published in ALLIED FORCE General Orders Number 61, 1943, the bronze Oak Leaf Cluster was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officer for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

DARNEY O. ELLIOTT, 03669, Brigadier General, United States Army, for service as Chief Engineer, Allied Force Headquarters, during the period 19 April 1943 to 5 September 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Tennessee

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:

FRANK J. GIRARDI, 12152750, Technician Fifth Grade, Company "D", 310th Medical Battalion for services from 1 November 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Corona, New York.

JACOB P. KUNTZ, 37278383, Technician Fifth Grade, Company F, 19th Engineer Regiment, for services in North Africa and Sicily from 17 November 1942 to 17 August 1943. Entered service from Solen, North Dakota.

FREDERICK J. BUCKHILLER, 37036848, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters and Service Company, 109th Engineer Combat Battalion, for services in Italy from 29 April to 9 May 1944. Entered service from Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

LEWIS H. GRAND, 35386045, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Allied Force Headquarters, for services in North Africa from 14 November 1942 to 15 August 1944. Entered service from Akron, Ohio.

HOWARD B. MOYER, 33106580, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 335th Antiaircraft Artillery Searchlight Battalion, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from January 1943 to March 1944. Entered service from Gilbertsville, Pennsylvania.

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JOHN W. SCHREINER, 01102033, Second Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, Company C, 337th Engineer General Service Regiment, for services in Italy from 5 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Portland, Oregon.

JESSIE L. PADDOCK, N736118, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant), Army Nurse Corps, 38rd Field Hospital, for services in Italy from 17 October 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Portland, Oregon.

WILLIAM P. COLITON, 0448687, Captain, (then First Lieutenant), Transportation Corps, Headquarters Northern Base Section, for services in Corsica from 17 January to 27 May 1944. Entered service from Grand Forks, North Dakota.

HENRY M. DuPONT, 01573174, Captain, Quartermaster Corps, 85th Quartermaster Company, 85th Infantry Division, for services in Italy from 11 May to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Canton, Ohio.

THOMAS M. QUISENBERRY, 0305355, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 330th Infantry, for services in North Africa and Italy from 10 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Winchester, Kentucky.

JAMES M. MASON, III, 0273994, Major, Medical Corps, 2nd Auxiliary Surgical Group, for services in Sicily and Italy from 10 July 1943 to 5 July 1944. Entered service from Birmingham, Alabama.

JAMES M. SULLIVAN, 0314025, Major, Medical Corps, 2nd Auxiliary Surgical Group, for services in North Africa and Italy from 10 February 1943 to 10 June 1944. Entered service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

WILLIAM R. WATSON, 08354, Colonel, Inspector General's Department, Inspector General's Section, Headquarters North African Theater of Operations, for services during the period 17 September 1943 to 20 August 1944. Entered service from Raleigh, North Carolina.

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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. PROFITT, 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.

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JOSEPH P. CHALLA, 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. TALLMAN, 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 26 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.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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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 personnel for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

WHITNEY W. FROST, 18043631, Technical Sergeant, Artillery Section, Headquarters Fifth Army, for services in Italy from January 1943 to June 1944. Entered service from Norman, Oklahoma.

JAMES A. RICH, 31123665, Master Sergeant, 21st Engineer Aviation Regiment, for services in Italy from 3 October 1943 to 15 March 1944. Entered service from Stamford, Connecticut.

EARL A. WETHERALD, 20542542, Master Sergeant, 417th Night Fighter Squadron, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 12 May 1943 to 1 June 1944. Entered service from Pittsboro, Indiana.

GEORGE M. WIXEN, 19056587, Master Sergeant, 347th Fighter Squadron, for services in North Africa from 5 to 17 July 1943. Entered service from Los Angeles, California.

LEXY FORD, 01112152, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant), Corps of Engineers, 903d Engineer Air Force Headquarters Company, for services in Italy from November 1943 to March 1944. Entered service from Norfolk, Virginia.

RALPH M. HOFFMAN, 0911170, Captain, (then First Lieutenant), Corps of Engineers, Second Battalion, 21st Engineer Aviation Regiment, for services in North Africa and Italy from 11 April 1943 to 11 February 1944. Entered service from Miles City, Mont.

JOSEPH S. STALEY, 0476947, Captain, Medical Corps, Medical Section, Headquarters Peninsular Base Section, for services in Italy from 8 October 1943 to 25 March 1944. Entered service from Marion, Virginia.

SAMUEL CHAMBERLAIN, 0496493, Major, Air Corps, Headquarters 90th Photographic Wing Reconnaissance, for services in North Africa and Italy from November 1943 to July 1944. Entered service from Marblehead, Massachusetts.

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ROBERT L. BASELER, 023371, Lieutenant Colonel, Air Corps, 306th Fighter Wing; for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 1 December 1943 to 1 June 1944. Entered service from Ardmore, Pennsylvania.

JAMES A. GREENE, JR., 0234523, Lieutenant Colonel, Signal Corps, Headquarters 5141st Signal Service Group, for services in Italy from 14 September to 23 December 1943. Entered service from Atlanta, Georgia.

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CHARLES A. HEIM, 0448160, Lieutenant Colonel, Air Corps, Headquarters Squadron, 15th Air Force Service Command, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 19 August 1943 to 6 June 1944. Entered service from Orlando, Florida.

WILLARD P. McCRONE, 020548, Lieutenant Colonel, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters 845th Engineer Aviation Battalion for services in Corsica, from 24 January to 10 June 1944. Entered service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

DAVID J. CRAWFORD, 014916, Colonel, Ordnance Department, Ordnance Section, Headquarters North African Theater of Operations. for services from February 1943 to 10 August 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Mississippi.

THOMAS E. DeSHAZO, 016479, Colonel, Field Artillery, Sixth Field Artillery Group, for services in Italy from October 1943 to July 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Alabama.

PELHAM D. GLASSFORD, JR., 019937, Colonel, (then Lieutenant Colonel), Air Corps, Mediterranean Allied Air Forces, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 19 October 1942 to 1 July 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Baltimore, Maryland.

DAVID R. STINSON, 011266, Colonel, Air Corps, Corsican Air Sub-Area, for services from 1 March to 3 July 1944. Entered service from Springfield, Mass.

ANDREW P. SULLIVAN, 011396, Colonel, (then Lieutenant Colonel), Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Fifth Army, for services in North Africa, Sicily and Italy from 21 November 1942 to 27 April 1944. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

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Amendment to General Order Number 85, 1944 I
Designation of Reclassification Boards II
Award of Legion of Merit III

I --- AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDER NUMBER 85, 1944

So much of NATOUSA General Orders, Number 85, 1944, as pertains to "ALFRED L. HEIMLY, 6251259, Master Sergeant" is amended to read, "ALFRED L. HELMLY, 6251259, Master Sergeant."

II -- DESIGNATION OF RECLASSIFICATION BOARDS

So much of Paragraph 1, Section I, NATOUSA General Orders Number 84, 1944, as reads "paragraph 11, NATOUSA Special Orders Number 211, 1944" is amended to read "paragraph 9, NATOUSA Special Orders Number 211, 1944."

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:

AARON H. WISE, 38022810, Corporal, 85th Fighter Squadron, for services in Italy from 16 to 25 May 1944. Entered service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

HARRY ABEL, 32322607, Sergeant, 31st Depot Repair Squadron, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 1 May to 6 June 1944. Entered service from Brooklyn, New York.

J. C. STRICKLAND, JR., 18201173, Sergeant, 234th Replacement Company, 19th Replacement Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from April to August 1944. Entered service from Coleman, Texas.

ROBERT A. PERDUE, 14137534, Staff Sergeant, 16th Service Squadron, for services in Italy from 24 April to 14 May 1944. Entered service from Atlanta, Georgia.

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GEORGE J. LARUS, 32015323, Technical Sergeant, (then Technician Third Grade), Headquarters and Service Company, Second Battalion, 21st Engineer Aviation Regiment, for services in North Africa from 8 November 1942 to 13 May 1943. Entered service from Rockville Center, New York.

WILLIAM H. WHITTAKER, 14090769, Technical Sergeant, 445th Bombardment Squadron, for services in Italy from October 1943 to June 1944. Entered service from Prattville, Alabama.

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JOHN H. DeJARLETTE, 37010191, Master Sergeant, 345th Fighter Squadron, for services in North Africa from 19 January to 17 July 1943. Entered service from Trousdale, Oklahoma.

GEORGE L. DENT, 19056145, Master Sergeant, 380th Bombardment Squadron, for services in North Africa and Italy from December 1942 to July 1944. Entered service from Great Falls, Montana.

WINFRED E. GREENE, R345962, Master Sergeant, 380th Bombardment Squadron, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from November 1942 to April 1944. Entered service from Long Beach, California.

ARTHUR H. ODELL, 39395263, Master Sergeant, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 850th Signal Service Battalion, for services in Italy from 17 November 1943 to 15 August 1944. Entered service from Standard, California.

THOMAS J. PEPLOE, 20249931, Master Sergeant, 726th Bombardment Squadron, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 4 September 1943 to 1 June 1944. Entered service from Long Island, New York.

IGNATIUS J. STEPCHINSKI, 20320297, Master Sergeant, 111th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from August to December 1943. Entered service from Houston, Texas.

RUDOLPH UHLEMANN, 6878180, Master Sergeant, Headquarters 451st Bombardment Group (H), for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 20 October 1943 to 2 August 1944. Entered service from New York City, New York.

EDWIN W. VARDAMAN, 15082222, Master Sergeant, 381st Bombardment Squadron, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations, from 16 December 1942 to 31 May 1944. Entered service from Anderson, Indiana.

CHARLES E. WERPEL, 02056068, Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, Twelfth Army Air Force Combat Camera Unit, United States Army for services from 1 November 1943 to 15 May 1944. Entered service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

NEAL A. UNDERWOOD, 01338703, First Lieutenant, Signal Corps, 74th Signal Company (Special), for services in Italy from 20 August 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Raleigh, North Carolina.

JOHN E. DEVINE, 0854700, Captain, Air Corps, 524th Fighter Squadron, for services in North Africa from 6 June to 31 August 1943. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

COLTON A. DUNGAN, 02046494, Captain, (then First Lieutenant), Air Corps, 10th Troop Carrier Squadron, for services in North Africa and Sicily from 8 November 1942 to 19 December 1943. Entered service from Atlanta, Georgia.

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Award of Purple Heart. I
Award of Legion of Merit (Posthumous). II
Award of Legion of Merit. III

I --- 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 the result of enemy action:

EDWARD SIKORSKI, 32280415, Private First Class, 20th Engineer Combat Regiment, 11 November 1942, North Africa.

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:

JARRETT M. HUDDLESTON, 05451, Colonel, Medical Corps, Headquarters VI Corps, for services in Italy from September 1943 to February 1944. Next of kin: Helen M. Huddleston, 2236 Hall Place, Washington, D.C.

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:

SAMUEL M. LUKE, 35030964, Technician Third Grade, Headquarters and Service Company, 815th Engineer Aviation Battalion, for services in Sicily from 10 July to 28 July 1943. Entered service from Choshocton, Ohio.

EUGENE AIELLO, 37353259, Staff Sergeant, 1206th Engineer Composite Platoon, for services in Italy from 15 February to 7 April 1944. Entered service from Trinidad, Colorado.

PAUL P. PELOSI, 32229787, Staff Sergeant, (then Sergeant), Headquarters 60th Photographic Wing Reconnaissance, for services in North Africa and Italy from November 1943 to July 1944. Entered service from New York, New York.

EDWIN F. SEMRAU, 36230639, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 8th Replacement Depot, for services in North Africa from 9 February to 11 July 1944. Entered service from Springfield, Illinois.

STANLEY J. CHADWICK, 32209867, Master Sergeant, 2650th Signal Radio Relay Station Company, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 March 1943 to 15 July 1944. Entered service from Newark, New Jersey.

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ROBERT L. HOLLY, 36207041, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Detachment, Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy, for service during the period 1 June 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered the service from Waupaca, Wisconsin.

WILLIAM J. MALLOY, 11048148, Master Sergeant, 381st Bombardment Squadron, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 6 January 1943 to 31 May 1944. Entered service from Revere, Massachusetts.

HENRY L. ELLENBAST, W2111468, Chief Warrant Officer, United States Army, 2675th Regiment, Allied Control Commission, for services in Italy from 4 August 1943 to 30 June 1944. Entered service from New York, New York.

WILLIAM F. HOUSER, W2111887, Chief Warrant Officer, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, Second Chemical Battalion, for services in Sicily and Italy from 15 January to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Wilkes-Barre, Penna.

HEYDON W. BUCHANAN, 0321471, Major, General Staff Corps, Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy, for services during the period 15 March 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from South Bend, Indiana.

AL D. SIMS, 0305755, Major, Headquarters 634th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Sicily and Italy from 3 June 1943 to 3 June 1944. Entered service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

WILLIAM H. WOODFORD, 0326586, Major, General Staff Corps, Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy, for services from 14 February 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Corvallis, Oregon.

LYDON B. COLE, 0272810, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Third Battalion, First Armored Regiment, for services from 15 February 1943 to 14 June 1944. Entered service from Waupaca, Wisconsin.

LAWRENCE M. COOK, 0295068, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major), Corps of Engineers, 817th Engineer Aviation Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from January 1943 to February 1944. Entered service from Dallas, Texas.

DANIEL C. NUTTING, 0216473, Lieutenant Colonel, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters 31st antiaircraft Artillery Brigade, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 1 June 1943 to 1 August 1944. Entered service from Seattle, Washington.

WILLIAM J. GLASGOW, JR., 016861, Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy, for services from 10 February 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Texas.

CARTER PAGE, 0231088, Colonel, (then Lieutenant Colonel), General Staff Corps, Headquarters Services of Supply, North African Theater of Operations, for services from 12 January to 15 August 1944. Entered service from Alexandria, Virginia.

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AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 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:

THOMAS F. CLARKE, 36034706, Technician Third Grade, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, for services in North Africa and Italy from 10 July 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Illinois.

EVERETT E. KIRKMAN, 14094170, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, Headquarters Fifth Army, for services in Italy from 14 October 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Atlanta, Georgia.

JAMES G. DUFFY, 36025815, Technical Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Engineer Headquarters, Fifth Army, for services in Italy from 1 August 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

RAYMOND E. O'NEILL, 37173401, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 August 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered the service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

SETH O. PERKINS, 19161533, Technical Sergeant, 12th Army Air Force Combat Camera Unit, for services in North African Theater of Operations from 1 October 1943 to 1 May 1944. Entered service from Los Angeles, California.

LETHEL A. SLATEN, 39225278, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 March to 13 October 1943. Entered the service from Los Angeles, California.

MARTIN G. WINTERTON, 6547671, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, for services in Italy from 30 July 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Tacoma, Washington.

ARTHUR L. AUSTIN, 12043360, Master Sergeant, (then Technical Sergeant), Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 February 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Eldred, New York.

ALFRED L. HEIMLY, 6251259, Master Sergeant, 34th Bombardment Squadron 17th Bombardment Group, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 1 February 1943 to 13 June 1944. Entered service from Texas City, Texas.

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FRANK A. KACZMAREK, 36246773, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, for services in North Africa and Italy from 28 July 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

JOHN R. KEPPLER, 6270470, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, for service in North Africa and Italy from 5 January 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Fort Worth, Texas.

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HUBERT W. MARTIN, 35161313, Master Sergeant, (then Technical Sergeant), Headquarters Fifth Army, for services in North Africa and Italy from 17 January 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Anderson, Indiana.

EDWIN MASON, 32271539, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, for services in Italy from 9 September 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Merchantville, Kentucky.

DICK RED, 20758854, Master Sergeant, 154th Weather Reconnaissance Squadron, for services in Italy from 15 March to 11 July 1944. Entered service from Little Rock Arkansas.

ROBERT R. SWITTENBERG, 34278809, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, for services in Italy from 8 February 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Jackson, Mississippi.

DANA GREGG BEACH, W2108231, Chief Warrant Officer, (then Technician Fourth Grade), for services in North Africa and Italy from 5 January 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Connecticut.

WAYNE H. SWENSEN, 0299561, Major, Ordnance Department, Headquarters, 3rd Infantry Division, for services from 7 October 1942 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from San Francisco, California.

WILLIAM T. FITTS, 011917, Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 85th Infantry Division, for services from 15 November 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Tennessee.

OLIVER C. HARVEY, 0307540, Colonel (then Lieutenant Colonel), General Staff Corps, Headquarters Seventh Army, for services in North Africa and Sicily from 1 October 1942 to 20 August 1943. Entered service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

HARRY O. PAXSON, 016764, Colonel, Corps of Engineers, Engineer Headquarters, Fifth Army, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 April 1942 to 5 June 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from St. Joseph, Missouri.

RALEIGH R. HENDRIX, 015897, Brigadier General, United States Army, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 1 March 1943 to 10 June 1944. Entered service from Oklahoma.

LAURENCE B. KEISER, 05316, Brigadier General, United States Army, for services in Italy from October 1943 to February 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Pennsylvania.

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Designation of Reclassification Boards I
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I -- DESIGNATION OF RECLASSIFICATION BOARDS

Section I, NATOUSA General Orders Number 81, 1944, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

"1. BOARD NUMBER 1.

The board of officers appointed by paragraph 11, NATOUSA Special Orders Number 211, 1944, as amended, heretofore known as the PBS Reclassification Board is designated, for the purpose of identification only, NATOUSA Reclassification Board Number 1.

2. BOARD NUMBER 2

The board of officers appointed by paragraph 9, NATOUSA Special Orders Number 222, 1944, as amended, heretofore known as the MBS Reclassification Board is designated, for the purpose of identification only, NATOUSA Reclassification Board Number 2."

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:

WALTER A. HAMILTON, 11098959, Corporal, Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, for service in Italy from 7 February to 22 July 1944. Entered service from Stony Point, New York.

JOE A. WALLEY, 34135294, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 35th Field Artillery Group, for services in Italy from 24 January to 12 March 1944. Entered service from Lucedale, Mississippi.

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BENJAMIN K. BROWN, 11072356, Staff Sergeant, (then Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, for services in Italy from 21 September 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Thomaston, Connecticut.

JOHN F. HUTH, 35309900, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Squadron, Army Air Forces Mediterranean Theater of Operations, for services in North Africa from 1 June 1943 to 5 March 1944. Entered service from Cleveland, Ohio.

FLOYD H. PAINTER, 35162919, Technical Sergeant, 173rd Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for services from 13 December 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Springport, Indiana.

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JOHN F. NEBINGER, 0333718, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Third Battalion, 338th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 10 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Stoelton, Pennsylvania.

ARTHUR R. BLOM, 0345765, Major, Infantry, G-2 Section, Headquarters Fifth Army, for services in North Africa and Italy from 25 January 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Seattle, Washington.

WAYNE G. HIGGINS, 0371409, Major, Ordnance Department, Headquarters Fifth Army, for services in Italy from 1 April 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Des Moines, Iowa.

REGIS W. LUKE, 0359972, Major (then Captain), Finance Department, 49th Finance Disbursing Section, for services in North Africa and Italy, from 8 October 1942 to 14 April 1944. Entered service from Syracuse, New York.

LIGHT B. YOST, 0288323, Major, Infantry, Headquarters Seventh Army, for services in North Africa and Sicily from 1 May to 17 August 1943. Entered service from Detroit, Michigan.

ERNEST R. BROCK, 0902897, Lieutenant Colonel, Finance Department, Headquarters Seventh Army, for services in North Africa and Sicily from 18 October 1942 to 17 August 1943. Entered service from Nebraska.

WILLIAM H. GREEN, 0274741, Lieutenant Colonel, Adjutant General's Department, Headquarters 85th Infantry Division, for services from 15 November 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Indianapolis.

FRANKLIN M. KREML, 0909816, Lieutenant Colonel, Transportation Corps, Transportation Section, Headquarters Fifth Army, for services in Italy from 15 September 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Illinois.

AARON M. LAZAR, 013736, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters Fifth Army, for services in North Africa and Italy from 3 February 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Illinois.

JOSEPH R. BURRILL, 015680, Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters Fifth Army, for services in Italy from 1 August 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from New York.

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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 personnel for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

NORBERT B. WITTROCK, 35664842, Sergeant, Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment Headquarters II Corps, for services in Sicily and Italy from 20 June 1943 to 20 June 1944. Entered service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

BENJAMIN F. SCHIRM, 13041512, Technical Sergeant, Service Company, 338th Infantry Regiment, for services in North Africa and Italy from 7 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

FRED M. STOWELL, W2104385, Chief Warrant Officer, Adjutant General's Section, Headquarters Fifth Army, for services in North Africa and Italy from 14 January 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Colorado.

WILLIAM D. APPLE, 0409339, Captain, Corps of Engineers, Company "A", 16th Armored Engineer Battalion, for services in Italy from 1 November 1943 to 15 May 1944. Entered service from Columbus, Ohio.

ALFRED P. MALLET, 0374168, Major, Air Corps, 66th Fighter Squadron, for services in North Africa, Sicily and Italy from 20 August 1942 to 22 March 1944. Entered service from South Portland, Maine.

PAUL F. WILSON, 0352324, Major (then Captain), Field Artillery, 194th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from July 1943 to May 1944. Entered service from Loveland, Colorado.

HENRY J. HINGER, 0287689, Major, Corps of Engineers, 1108th Engineer Combat Group, for services in Italy from 15 December 1943 to 23 March 1944. Entered service from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

WAYNE L. BROWNING, 0329895, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major) Ordnance, Headquarters 123d Ordnance Maintenance Battalion, for services in Italy from 23 May to 20 July 1944. Entered Military Service from Marion, Indiana.

JOSEPH R. DOICH, 028039, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, 17th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 11 May to 3 July 1944. Entered U.S. United States Military Academy from Platte City, Missouri.

AMSEL P. GODFREY, 0163566, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, 178th Field Artillery Group, for services in Italy from 6 May to 3 July 1944. Entered service from Clinton, South Carolina.

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ALFRED H. HOPKINS, 0192370, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major), Train Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Armored Division, for services in North Africa from 8 November 1942 to 14 January 1943. Entered service from Vancouver Barracks, Wash.

MAURICE M. KANE, 0308192, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, 315th Medical Battalion for services from 23 July 1942 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Greenville, Ohio.

JOSEPH E. KELLY, 0261366, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, 175th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from 8 November 1942 to 15 October 1943. Entered service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

WILLIAM A. LUTHER, 0305541, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters, Fifth Army, for services in Italy during the period 15 March to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Pratt, West Virginia.

EDWIN A. RUSSELL, JR., 020645, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 1st Armored Division, for services in Italy from 1 May to 4 June 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Stevenson, Maryland.

FLOYD V. KILMORE, 08912, Colonel, Medical Corps, 26th General Hospital, for services in Italy from October 1943 to February 1944. Entered service from Illinois.

KENNETH F. ZITZMAN, 018694, Colonel, Signal Corps, Headquarters II Corps, for services in Italy from 13 November 1943 to 10 June 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from New York.

CARL C. BANK, 03816, Brigadier General, United States Army, Commanding General, 13th Field Artillery Brigade, for services in Italy from 5 January to 23 July 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Iowa.

PAUL W. KENDALL, 012199, Brigadier General, United States Army, Headquarters 88th Infantry Division, for services in North Africa and Italy from 6 March 1943 to 10 June 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Wyoming.

GUY O. KURTZ, 07418, Brigadier General, United States Army, for services in the United States and Italy from 15 July 1942 to 10 June 1944. Entered service from Denver, Colorado.

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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.

CHARLES O. NORRED, 20847947, Sergeant, Company C, 804th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for services in Italy from 11 May 1944 to 1 July 1944. Entered service from Tucumcari, New Mexico.

ALFRED R. TOY, 32399456, Sergeant, Service Company, 349th Infantry Regiment, for services from 15 December 1943 to 30 June 1944. Entered service from Astoria, New York.

JOHN H. MITCHELL, 31133520, Technician Fourth Grade, (then Technician Fifth Grade) Engineer Section, Headquarters II Corps, for services in North Africa from 16 January to 15 May 1943. Entered service from Brockton, Massachusetts.

CASWELL K. STONE, 34074745, Technician Third Grade, 469th Engineer Maintenance Company, for services in Sicily and Italy from 4 August 1943 to 30 June 1944. Entered service from Boyer, West Virginia.

RUFORD F. WORKS, 18060982, Technician Third Grade, 606th Ordnance Base Armament Maintenance Battalion, for services in Italy from 15 January to 28 March 1944. Entered service from Dallas, Texas.

JOHN A. DIANI, 39102014, Staff Sergeant, 56th Military Police Company (PC&S), for services in Italy from 10 January to 28 March 1944. Entered service from San Francisco, California.

LESTER E. ERICKSON, 6137028, Technical Sergeant, 698th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 13 February to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

ALBERT J. HAIK, 34020768, Technical Sergeant, 1146th Quartermaster Company Service Group, Aviation, for services in the Middle East, Sicily and Italy from 11 November 1942 to 25 January 1944. Entered service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

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RALPH F. KELTGEN, 37029520, Technical Sergeant, 334th Service Squadron, for services in North Africa and Italy from August 1943 to April 1944. Entered service from St. Peter, Minnesota.

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FERUCCIO BALMA, 20286032, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, II Corps Artillery, for services in Italy from 1 November 1943 to 10 June 1944. Entered service from New York, New York.

MATTHEW P. BENISH, 36231657, Master Sergeant, Company "A", 62d Signal Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from March 1943 to May 1944. Entered service from Muscoda, Wisconsin.

ROGER M. CHIOCCHI, 32259576, Master Sergeant, Headquarters, 45th Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade, for services in North Africa and Italy from 30 April 1943 to 1 August 1944. Entered service from Fords, New Jersey.

WILLIAM E. PRUITT, 34020482, Master Sergeant, 469th Engineer Maintenance Company, for services in Sicily and Italy from 10 August 1943 to 10 July 1944. Entered service from Iuka, Mississippi.

OSCAR J. BAKER, 38241085, First Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), Headquarters Battery, 339th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 12 March to 20 April 1944. Entered service from Houston, Texas.

JAMES C. SPRAGUE, 0570351, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, 416th Signal Company Aviation, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 November 1943 to 1 June 1944. Entered service from Newton, Iowa.

JOHN E. ELSTON, 0344075, Captain, Signal Corps, Company C, 62d Signal Battalion, for services in Italy from 10 November 1943 to 24 January 1944. Entered service from Columbus, Nebraska.

NORMAN J. KINLEY, 0386938, Captain, Field Artillery, 175th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from 19 November 1942 to 5 December 1943. Entered service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

FRANKLIN D. MOORE, 0265603, Captain, Infantry, 2d Armored Group, for services in Italy from 16 January to 4 June 1944. Entered service from Spartanburg, S.C.

ROBERT F. THORESON, 0355016, Captain, Quartermaster Corps, 34th Quartermaster Company, 34th Infantry Division, for services in North Africa from 1 February to 10 September 1943. Entered service from Pierre, South Dakota.

LESTER M. BROWN, 0389107, Major, Corps of Military Police, Headquarters 34th Infantry Division, for services in North Africa from 8 November 1942 to 13 December 1943. Entered service from Aitkin, Minnesota.

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I --- DESIGNATION OF RECLASSIFICATION BOARDS

1. BOARD NUMBER 1

The board of officers appointed by paragraph 11, NATOUSA Special Orders Number 211, 1944, as amended, heretofore known as the MBS Reclassification Board is designated, for the purpose of identification only, NATOUSA Reclassification Board Number 1.

2. BOARD NUMBER 2

The board of officers appointed by paragraph 9, NATOUSA Special Orders Number 222, 1944, as amended, heretofore known as the PBS Reclassification Board is designated, for the purpose of identification only, NATOUSA Reclassification Board Number 2.

II -- UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES INSTITUTE IN ROME

1. Under provisions of AR 350-3100 and specific authority from the Secretary of War, announcement is made of the establishment in Rome of a Class A Branch of the United States Armed Forces Institute, as of 1 August 1944. The North African Theater of Operations Branch of the Armed Forces Institute will furnish educational services in accordance with the provisions of existing regulations to eligible military and naval personnel within the North African Theater of Operations and for such personnel outside of this Theater when such services can be performed for them more efficiently in this Theater than can be furnished through the Armed Forces Institute at Madison, Wisconsin, or through other branches.

2. Communications intended for the North African Branch will be addressed: NATOUSA Branch, Armed Forces Institute, APO 750.

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.

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STEVEN S. SZCZESNIAK, 20274893, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Fourth Ranger Infantry Battalion, for services in Italy from 22 January to 27 March 1944. Entered service from Buffalo, New York.

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BERNARD G. QUINTEN, 11000102, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Detachment, 101st Military Police Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from 21 February 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Burlington, Vermont.

REYNOLDS V. MYERS, 0472675, Major, Air Corps, 62d Service Group, for services in North Africa from 6 January to 17 September 1943. Entered service from Oak Hill, West Virginia.

BENJAMIN P. SHEIN, 0909364, Major, Transportation Corps, Headquarters Peninsular Base Section, for services in Italy from 5 October 1943 to 8 April 1944. Entered service from Trenton, New Jersey.

PAUL STEELE, 07509, Colonel, Infantry, 6th Armored Infantry Regiment, for services in North Africa and Italy from 18 July 1943 to 3 June 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Eagle Pass, Texas.

NORMAN P. WILLIAMS, 08523, Colonel, then Lieutenant Colonel, Quartermaster Corps, Headquarters Fifth Army, for services in North Africa and Italy from 8 November 1942 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Syracuse, New York.

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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. SAWBRIDGE, 05715, GSC, relieved.

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	Finance			2675 Rept	20
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	Industry			Navy	✓
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21 August 1944

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 W. CHEEK, 20736214, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery "C", 936th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 1 March to 31 May 1944. Entered service from Fort Smith, Arkansas.

CHARLES E. GALLAGHER, 13097582, Technician Fourth Grade, (then Private), 163d Signal Photo Company, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 14 September 1943 to 4 June 1944. Entered service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM F. BONNARD, 19099747, Technician Third Grade, 163d Signal Photo Company, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 8 November 1942 to 4 June 1944. Entered service from Burbank, California.

VERNON L. HUGHES, 20825695, Technical Sergeant, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 10 September 1943 to 10 January 1944. Entered service from Boggs, Oklahoma.

EVERETT C. JOHNSON, 39675793, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), 53d Quartermaster Truck Battalion, for services in Italy from 22 January to 20 May 1944. Entered service from Provo, Utah.

GALE T. SINES, 35020930, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 755th Tank Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from January 1943 to June 1944. Entered service from Akron, Ohio.

GORDON V. GEER, 6910390, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Battery 80th AAA Group, for services in North Africa and Sicily from November 1942 to 17 August 1943. Entered service from New York, New York.

JOSEPH PLACCO, 20258699, Master Sergeant, 31st Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 29 April 1943 to 8 June 1944. Entered service from New York, New York.

WILLARD D. CODY, 20838944, First Sergeant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for services in Sicily and Italy, from 10 July to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Burlington, Colorado.

HAROLD B. STARBUCK, 20838881, First Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for services in Sicily and Italy from 10 July 1943 to 9 January 1944. Entered service from Brighton, Colorado.

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WALTER C. GRONEWALD, 0388369, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, 73d Antiaircraft Gun Battalion, for services in North Africa from 15 December 1942 to 23 March 1944. Entered service from Jamaica, New York.

HAROLD L. BAUSINGER, W2119757, Warrant Officer (j.g.) 93d Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 28 October 1943 to 25 March 1944. Entered service from Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

BASIL L. BODGE, W2131521, Warrant Officer, (j.g.) (then Master Sergeant), Headquarters Detachment, 101st Military Police Battalion, for services in North Africa from 11 November 1942 to 5 July 1943. Entered service from Boston, Massachusetts.

WESLEY E. HAYDEN, W2113316, Chief Warrant Officer (then Warrant Officer Junior Grade), 39th Engineer Combat Regiment, for services in Sicily and Italy from 12 August 1943 to 15 April 1944. Entered service from Grand Junction, Colorado.

THOMAS C. DARCY, 018840, Colonel, Air Corps, Headquarters 87th Fighter Wing, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 23 April to 28 June 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Massachusetts.

LEONARD B. GALLAGHER, 07646, Colonel, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters II Corps, for services in Italy from 12 October 1943 to 11 June 1944. Entered service from Watertown, Massachusetts.

DUDLEY D. HALE, 017471, Colonel, Air Corps, Headquarters, Twelfth Air Force, for services from 7 May 1943 to 20 June 1944. Entered service from Cleveland, Ohio.

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AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

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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. MEADOCK, 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, 01695164, 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, 0448034, 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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GENERAL ORDERS)
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Award of Purple Heart I
Award of Legion of Merit II

I ---- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

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

EDWARD J. CONWAY, 13153176, Private, Company I, 15th Infantry Regiment, Sicily, 11 August 1943.

RUSSELL L. WRIGHT, 39024312, Private, 505th Parachute Regiment, 10 July 1943, Sicily.

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:

DANTE J. BERTIN, 35287905, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters, 460th Bombardment Group (H), for services in Italy from 1 March to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Cleveland, Ohio.

ROBERT E. FREEMAN, 17044802, Staff Sergeant, 446th Bombardment Squadron, for services in Corsica from 15 to 30 May 1944. Entered service from Kansas City, Mo.

LOREN R. KEEFER, 6989062, Staff Sergeant, 141st Armored Signal Company, for services in North Africa and Italy from 28 February 1943 to 14 July 1944. Entered service from Callipolis, Ohio.

WALLACE E. LIBRITTON, 34050152, Master Sergeant, 756th Bombardment Squadron (HV), for services in North Africa and Italy from 19 January to 20 June 1944. Entered service from Fort Green, Florida.

ALBERT J. ROES, 37038995, Master Sergeant, Headquarters, 454th Bombardment Group, (H), for services in North Africa and Italy from 26 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Himingford, Nebraska.

LLOYD G. ELSTON, 02053820, Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, First Fighter Trng. Squadron, Fighter Training Center, for services in North Africa from 18 November to 15 December 1943. Entered service from Herkimer, New York.

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CHARLES A. SUMNER, 02046502, Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, Headquarters 62d Fighter Wing, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 20 May to 11 September 1943. Entered service from Detroit, Michigan.

JAMES E. NICKERSON, 0910109, Captain, Air Corps, 445th Bombardment Squadron (M), for services in North Africa from 25 April to 5 May 1943. Entered service from New York, New York.

JOHN R. ABBOT, 0449648, Major, Air Corps, 319th Bombardment Group, for services in the North African Theater of Operations, from 27 June 1942 to March 1944. Entered service from Cambridge, Massachusetts.

FREDERICK W. BLGGOTT, 0395104, Major, Air Corps, Fighter Training Center, for services in North Africa from 3 February to 8 September 1943. Entered service from Panama City, Florida.

GEORGE L. DEWEY, 015188, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major), Infantry, Headquarters 133d Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 27 October 1943 to 25 January 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Connecticut.

WILLIAM H. LYLE, 0258591, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major) Signal Corps, Headquarters 42d Bombardment Wing, for services as Signal Officer, Allied Garrison of Sardinia, from 16 October 1943 to 26 February 1944. Entered service from Charlotte, North Carolina.

CHESTER L. SLUDER, 022419, Lieutenant Colonel, Air Corps, Headquarters, 325th Fighter Group, for services from 10 May to 11 June 1944. Entered service from San Antonio, Texas.

JAMES R. WENDT, 022995, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 41st Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 9 August 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

CRAI B. BOLIBAUGH, 04179, Colonel, Medical Corps, Headquarters, 59th Evacuation Hospital, for services in North Africa and Sicily from November 1942 to November 1943. Entered service from Sausalito, California.

WILLIS G. CRONK, 015428, Colonel, Infantry, Second Armored Group, for services in Italy from 2 January to 4 June 1944. Entered service from Elberton, Wash.

WILLIAM H. DEAN, 09888, Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters, Services of Supply, North African Theater of Operations, United States Army, for services during the period 15 December 1943 to 26 May 1944. Entered service from Penna.

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Award of Oak Leaf Cluster to Purple Heart I
Award of Soldier's Medal II
Award of Legion of Merit (Posthumous) III
Award of Legion of Merit IV

I ---- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

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

CLARENCE P. BUNCH, 15045612, Private, 6th Armored Infantry Regiment, 2 April 1943, Tunisia.

II --- 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:

ERNEST R. BRUNELLE, 31286805, Private First Class, Headquarters Detachment, 29th Replacement Battalion, 7th Replacement Depot, for heroism on 25 June 1944, near Liternum, Italy. Upon hearing the cries of an excited soldier that several comrades were drowning in the sea, Private First Class Brunelle, without hesitation, rushed into the rough water and swam to the aid of the distressed men. Completely disregarding the strong undertow, Private First Class Brunelle reached the first of the drowning men and towed him ashore. Leaving this soldier in the care of the men on the beach, he reentered the water and again swam to the aid of another drowning man who was being held afloat by two greatly exhausted soldiers. A group on the beach launched a raft on which the victim was hoisted, and Private First Class Brunelle and the others, after twenty minutes of arduous labor, managed to bring the raft to shore. The gallant and voluntary act of Private First Class Brunelle reflects the highest credit upon himself and the Military Service. Entered service from Chicopee, Massachusetts.

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:

EDWARD STEWART, 0346784, Captain, Field Artillery, 151st Field Artillery Battalion, for services during the Tunisian Campaign from 18 February to 9 May 1943. Next of kin: Mrs Edward Stewart, Boone, Iowa.

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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:

MOISES A. GONZALEZ, 39550086, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 601st Field Artillery Battalion, for services on 23 May 1944, near Mt. Marino, Italy. Entered service from Los Angeles, California.

HOWARD T. TAYLOR, 36224351, Sergeant, 78th Fighter Control Squadron, for services in Sardinia, during the month of February 1944. Entered service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

VIRGIL I. KESSINGER, 0422420, Captain, Transportation Corps, Company "A", 713th Railway Operating Battalion, for services in Italy from 7-10 October 1943. Entered service from Independence, Kansas.

ROBERT WARREN DAVIS, 020128, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, for services during the period 18 November 1942 to 15 January 1944. Entered the Military Academy from Oakland, California.

BENJAMIN H. DECKER, 0155469, Lieutenant Colonel, Transportation Corps, Headquarters Military Railway Service, for services in North Africa from February 1943 through October 1943. Entered service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

WALTER C. DICKEY, 0120573, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, 757th Tank Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from 18 March 1943 to 4 June 1944. Entered service from Des Moines, Iowa.

CLYDE L. LYNE, Lieutenant Colonel, 020317, Infantry, 755th Tank Battalion, for services in Italy from 9 November 1943, to 4 June 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Lebanon, Tennessee.

JOHN T. MONAHAN, 010920, Colonel, Air Corps, for services from 5 January 1943 to 5 January 1944. Entered service from Illinois.

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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 D. 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. SYMANK, 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, 0470374, 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, 0407765, 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, 0854993, 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.

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Award of Distinguished Flying Cross..... I
Award of Silver Star..... II
Award of Soldier's Medal..... III
Award of Legion of Merit (Missing in Action)..... IV

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 Guetter, 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, 14888432, 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 F. 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 A. Litton (wife), 623 W. Mulberry Avenue, San Antonio, Texas.

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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 personnel:

GEORGE LEWIS, 1079325, Gunner, 3d Field Regiment, Royal Artillery, British Army, for gallantry in action on 21 November 1943, near St. Angelo, Italy. When the Forward Observation Officer, whom he was accompanying as Observation Post Assistant, was killed, Gunner Lewis assumed command of the entire observation post party and continued the attack under continuous and accurate enemy mortar fire. Later when a determined enemy counterattack forced a withdrawal, Gunner Lewis remained with his party at this post until the latest moment before withdrawing to the Sangro River, carrying a badly wounded officer down precipitous slopes for two miles under heavy enemy fire. Arriving at the river bank it was found that the level of the water had risen about four feet and had become a raging torrent. Realizing the officer's need for urgent medical attention, Gunner Lewis and the two remaining members of his party attempted to cross the river with the wounded officer. In this effort his two companions were drowned and Gunner Lewis, after much struggle, crossed the river and reached the main observation post. The outstanding courage and devotion to duty displayed by Gunner Lewis are worthy of the highest praise, and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

ARTHUR LESLIE REESE, 2379158, Signalman, Royal Corps of Signals, British Army, for gallantry in action on 13 September 1943 near Salerno, Italy. Signalman Reese, on his own initiative and in spite of the presence of the enemy all around him, entered a building and made his way to the top floor where he successfully sniped enemy detachments attempting to mount machine guns to cover Allied communications from a battalion headquarters. Remaining at his post continuously for many hours he successfully assisted in preventing infiltration from developing. Then leaving the safety of the building he moved forward and located an enemy observation post, which upon his directions was destroyed by friendly artillery. The initiative and courage displayed by Signalman Reese in performing these acts were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military services.

CLIFFORD JACKSON, 5348543, Lance Sergeant, (W/S Cpl) 9th Battalion, Royal Fusiliers, British Army, for gallantry in action on 3 December 1943, near Mt. Camino, Italy. When the advance of his platoon was delayed by a German machine gun post, Lance Sergeant Jackson ordered his section to attack the enemy position under cover of fire from the rest of the platoon. Moving forward toward the objective, he found the enemy fire so intense that he directed his men to seek cover, and with complete disregard for his own life, ran straight at the enemy gun, firing his submachine gun as he advanced. Before he could reach his objective his gun jammed, and without

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hesitation he drew his watchet and charged the enemy gunners driving them from their position and single handedly captured their gun. This outstanding act of courage, counled with a total disregard for his own safety, was an inspiration to his comrades and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

EDWIN PAGE, 95433, Lance Sergeant, 78th Field Regiment, Royal Artillery, British Army, for gallantry in action on 12-13 October 1943, during the Allied crossing of the Volturno River in Italy. On the night of 12 October, Lance Sergeant Page, in charge of an observation post carrying party, led his men forward of the advance elements of the 16th Durham Light Infantry. In the darkness the party became separated and temporarily disorganized. Lance Sergeant Page realizing the gravity of the situation, proceeded across open fields under intense enemy machine gun fire to collect and reorganise the entire party. By dawn he had his men and communications through to company headquarters, but due to heavy enemy fire he could not return to the observation post, however by maintaining contact with the post by calling instructions he enabled artillery fire to be brought upon enemy positions. Later in the morning while still under intense enemy fire, Lance Sergeant Page went forward to the observation post and firmly established communications. Throughout this entire action, with complete disregard for his own safety, Lance Sergeant Page displayed outstanding devotion to duty.

WILLIAM LUPTON, 780033, W/O Cl. II, 165th Field Regiment, Royal Artillery, British Army, for gallantry in action on 8 September, 1943, near Pizzo, Italy. During the assault landings at Pizzo, Battery Sergeant Major Lupton was Troop Sergeant Major of a troop which immediately upon landing was put into action close to the beach in a position under direct enemy observation and extremely heavy artillery and mortar fire. After many unsuccessful attempts were made to change the position, Battery Sergeant Major Lupton organised and led a party in transporting three of the guns to a new position. Four attempts were made to recover the fourth gun but were repulsed each time by accurate enemy fire. Battery Sergeant Major Lupton's leadership throughout this action enabled the troop to open destructive fire against the enemy from the new position and repulse a serious German counter attack. His courage and devotion to duty were an inspiration to his comrades and deserving of the highest praise.

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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 officers for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

CARROLL T. NEWTON, 020665, 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.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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Announcement of Theater WAC Staff Director I
Award of Oak Leaf Cluster to Purple Heart II
Award of Legion of Merit (Posthumous) III
Award of Legion of Merit IV

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I ---- ANNOUNCEMENT OF THEATER WAC STAFF DIRECTOR

1. Section II, MATOUSA General Orders Number 77, 1943, is rescinded.

2. Announcement is made of the desimation of Major DOROTHEA A. COLEMAN, L600008, WAC, as Theater WAC Staff Director, vice Lt Colonel WESTRAY B. BOYCE, L303512, WAC, relieved.

II --- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

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

RICHARD G. NIEMEYER, 35551617, Private, 157th Infantry, Italy, 15 October 1943.

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:

EUGENE F. HAVERTY, 0317156, Captain, Medical Corps, Headquarters Fifth Army, for services in Italy from 1 to 29 February 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Carolyn J. Haverty, (wife), 5510 Aylesboro Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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 officers for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

JAMES H. DEERING, JR., 0411943, Major, Air Corps, 111th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 14 January 1943 to 1 June 1944. Entered service from Ventura, California.

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THOMAS R. PATTERSON, 0186949, Major, Transportation Corps, 701st Railway Grand Division, for services in Italy from 3 October 1943 to 15 July 1944. Entered service from Superior, Wisconsin.

EARLE L. NORRELL, 022368, Colonel, Air Corps, for services in the United States, European and North African Theaters of Operation from August 1941 to July 1944. Entered service from Indiana.

KARL L. POLIFKA, 021590, Colonel, Air Corps, 90th Photo Wing Reconnaissance, for services in Italy during the period 25 January to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Watsonville, California.

HARRY H. JOHNSON, 0172820, Major General, United States Army, for services in Italy from June to August 1944. Entered service from Texas.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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GENERAL ORDERS)
: 4 August 1944
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Transfer of G-1 Publications Section I
Award of the Silver Star II
Award of Soldier's Medal III
Award of Legion of Merit IV

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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 Town, Tunisia. Next of kin: Jacques Tine, 34 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 2007th [illegible] Squadron, 376th Air Force, for heroism on 26 February 1944 at Fona, Penza:

GEORGE OVERMID, 547453, Sergeant

FREDERICK CATCH, 1497649, Leading Aircraftsman

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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 THOTT, 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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Transfer of G-1 Publications Section I
Reassignment of Replacement Command, NATOUSA II
Award of Legion of Merit (Posthumous) III
Award of Legion of Merit IV

I ---- TRANSFER OF G-1 PUBLICATIONS SECTION

1. Paragraph C (1), NATOUSA General Orders Number 13, 1944, as amended by NATOUSA General Orders Number 19, 1944 is rescinded.

2. Announcement is made that effective 18 July 1944, the G-1 Publications Section was transferred from SOS NATOUSA, to this headquarters and assigned to the Public Relations Branch, INC Section, NATOUSA.

3. The Public Relations Officer (US), INC Section, will be responsible for the policies and for the coordination of operationalfunctions of the G-1 Publications Section.

II --- REASSIGNMENT OF REPLACEMENT COMMAND, NATOUSA

1. So much of Section I, NATOUSA General Orders Number 44, 1944, as reads "and is assigned to SOS, NATOUSA" is rescinded.

2. The Replacement Command, NATOUSA, is assigned to this headquarters.

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 personnel for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

GEORGE A. HADDEN 32239364, Technician Fourth Grade, Service Company, 143d Infantry Regiment for services from 20 April 1942 to 9 September 1943. Next of kin: Martin S. Hadden (Father), 182 St. Nicholas Ave., Englewood, New Jersey.

HENRY T. WASKOW, 0407712, Captain, Infantry, 143d Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 1 September to 14 December 1943. Next of kin: Mary Waskow (Mother), Route No. 3, Bolton, Texas.

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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:

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JOHN D. ALBRIGHT, 33095447, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 17th Armored Engineer Battalion, for services from 15 June to 23 July 1943. Entered service from Washington, D.C.

LYLE T. BERNARD, 019195, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, 30th Infantry Regiment, for services in Sicily from 4 to 12 August 1943. Entered United States Military Academy from Highland Falls, New York.

MARK ALLEN, 0335349, Colonel, Air Corps, Headquarters 97th Bombardment Group, for services from 10 May to 11 June 1944. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

PAUL L. BARTON, 019514, Colonel, Air Corps, 483d Bombardment Group (H), for services from 10 May to 11 June 1944. Entered service from Ludlow, Vermont.

JOSEPH W. BAYLOR, 017968, Colonel, Air Corps, for services from September 1943 to March 1944. Entered service from Tennessee.

HERBERT E. RICE, 017052, Colonel, Air Corps, Headquarters, 2d Bombardment Group (H), for services from 10 May to 11 June 1944. Entered service from Newport News, Virginia.

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I -- Aide-de-Camp to Theater Commander I
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I -- AIDE-DE-CAMP TO THEATER COMMANDER

Announcement is made of the assignment of Major WINSTON F. HARRISON, 0350664, AUS, as aide-de-camp to Lieutenant General JACOB L. DEVERS.

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:

OLEGARDIS KIEDAIS, 6841618, First Sergeant, Company "A", 350th Infantry Regiment, for services from 15 July 1942 to 31 May 1944. Entered service from Frackville, Pennsylvania.

CHESTER A. POST, 32002251, Master Sergeant, Service Company, 351st Infantry Regiment, for services from 1 August 1942 to 31 May 1944. Entered service from New York, New York.

LESLIE H. HEDGLIN, W2110107, Chief Warrant Officer, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Armored Regiment, for services in North Africa from November 1942 to 13 May 1943. Entered service from Fremont, Ohio.

JAMES P. BARNEY, JR., 012796, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, for services in North Africa and Italy from November 1942 to February 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from New York.

ARTHUR S. CHAFFEE, 03264, Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters 351st Infantry Regiment, for services from 25 July 1942 to 31 May 1944. Entered service from Wellington, Kansas.

FORD J. LAUER, 017048, Colonel, Air Corps, for services in the North African Theater of Operations in the month of June 1944. Entered service from Kansas City, Missouri.

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ROBERT J. McBRIDE, 015756, Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 88th Infantry Division, for services from 15 July 1942 to 31 May 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from New London, Connecticut.

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DONALD W. BRANN, 014592, Brigadier General, General Staff Corps, United States Army, for services from 11 October 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from Indiana.

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Designation of Deputy Chief of Transportation, NATOUSA I
Award of Legion of Merit (Posthumous) II
Award of Legion of Merit III

I -- DESIGNATION OF DEPUTY CHIEF OF TRANSPORTATION, NATOUSA

In addition to his other duties, Colonel JOHN R. NOYES, 015126, TC, Deputy Chief of Transportation, SOS, NATOUSA, will serve as Deputy Chief of Transportation, 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 awarded posthumously, by the Theater Commander, to the following named enlisted men for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

ERIC G. GIBSON, 36004320, Technician Fifth Grade, Company "I", 30th Infantry, for services from 19 September 1942 to 18 November 1943. Next of kin: Mrs. Adga Gibson (mother), 1219 North Park Street, Chicago, Illinois.

SAMUEL BELKOWITZ, 33003607, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters, 1st Tank Group, for services in Italy from January 1943 to 18 March 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Ida Belkowitz, 728 South Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

NORMAN H. IWINSKI, 20752573, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 435th Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 22 September 1943 to 18 January 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Herman Iwinski (mother), Sauk Centre, Minnesota.

JASON E. RATEKIN, 39150412, Staff Sergeant, Company "K", 30th Infantry, for services from 10 July to 10 November 1943. Next of kin: Mrs. Clara Ratekin (mother), 306 East Bart Street, Long Beach, California.

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: 3859

CLYDE E. MURR, 6581650, Technical Sergeant, 703d Ordnance (LM) Company, for services from 15 June 1943 to 10 May 1944. Entered service from Grand View, Washington.

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EARL W. TOBIAS, 33118433, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Ordnance HM Company, Tank, for services in North Africa and Italy from 5 March 1943 to 20 May 1944. Entered service from Millersburg, Pennsylvania.

JAMES A. MEEHAN, 20801262, Master Sergeant, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment, for services from 20 August to 13 October 1943, in the vicinity of Arzew, Algeria, and Salerno, Italy. Entered service from San Antonio, Texas.

ROSS W. BRANSTETTER, 6565550, First Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 7th Infantry, for services from 10 June to 18 August 1943. Entered service from Lafayette, Indiana.

HARVEY E. VOCKE, 20838191, First Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company "E", 157th Infantry, for services from 10 July 1943 to 9 January 1944. Entered service from Holly, Colorado.

GARNET W. OLIVER, 0366424, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Service Company, 30th Infantry, for services from 15 July 1943 to 11 March 1944. Entered service from Los Angeles, California.

RICHARD A. SMITH, 0360612, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters, 7th Infantry, for services from 10 June to 18 August 1943. Entered service from Pullman, Washington.

EGMONT F. KOENIG, 04700, Brigadier General (then Colonel), United States Army, Headquarters, Mediterranean Base Section, for services from 1 December 1943 to 5 June 1944. Entered service from New York.

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Amendment of General Orders I
Award of Distinguished Flying Cross II
Award of Air Medal (Fourth Oak Leaf Cluster) III
Award of Legion of Merit IV

I -- AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS

So much of Section II, NATOUSA General Orders Number 58, 1944, as pertains to Joe J. Reida, 17004013, Technical Sergeant, 433d Bombardment Squadron, is amended to read 443d Bombardment Squadron.

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 enlisted men:

WILLIAM R. KREIDLER, 20713419, Staff Sergeant, Battery "C", 125th Field Artillery Battalion, for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight in the vicinity of Cisterna Di Littoria, Italy, on 27 May 1944. Staff Sergeant Kreidler acting as observer in the rear of a Field Artillery observation plane, had completed one battalion mission and was observing enemy lines at an altitude of 3,000 feet when a rifle bullet from hostile lines penetrated the bottom of the fuselage and struck the pilot in the lower back. The pilot lost consciousness and the plane went into a steep dive at full throttle. Although Sergeant Kreidler was wearing a parachute and could have jumped, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, he remained with the ship, and with rare presence of mind, found the emergency stick, inserted it, and secured it with great difficulty. With one hand he pulled the pilot back against the forward seat thus freeing the front stick over which the pilot had slumped, and with the other hand on the rear stick, pulled the ship out of its dive at tree top height and headed it back to a friendly airport. As Sergeant Kreidler was preparing to crash land the ship the pilot regained consciousness but was unable to use his legs. With Sergeant Kreidler alone operating the rudders and assisting on the stick a successful emergency landing was accomplished. Sergeant Kreidler's coolness, presence of mind and heroism prevented the crashing of the ship and saved the life of the pilot. Entered service from Duluth, Minnesota.

III -- AWARD OF AIR MEDAL (FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER)

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Air Medal (Fourth Oak Leaf Cluster) is awarded the following named officer:

CARL E. DOLK, 0737026, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over the Pico, S. Giorgio, Itri and Castellonorato areas, Italy, on 8 and 9 May 1944. Volunteering to obtain terrain information for use of Fifth Army, by flying a series of low oblique missions, he successfully completed the assignment though his tank had

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been pierced, and the aircraft was in constant danger of catching fire from the streaming gasoline. Entered service from Warren, Ohio.

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:

JACKIE P. BAIN, 38333466, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 133d Infantry Regiment, for services from 22 September to 16 November 1943. Entered service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

CHARLES C. WALTER, 12059066, Technician Fifth Grade, 28th Ordnance MM Company, for services during the period from 25 November 1943 to 12 April 1944. Entered service from Little Neck, Long Island, New York.

ERNEST SELLFORS, 39256490, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Third Grade), 4 Ordnance HM Company, Tank, for services near Capua, Italy, from 29 April to 14 May 1944. Entered service from Los Angeles, California.

CARL R. FORCE, 20829400, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 180th Infantry, for services from 27 July 1943 to 7 January 1944. Entered service from Boynton, Oklahoma.

GAEL F. KAUFMAN, 0357333, 1st Lieutenant, Service Company, 30th Infantry, for services from 19 September 1942 to 18 November 1943. Entered service from Denair, California.

FRANK PETRUZEL, 01288289, Captain (then 1st Lieutenant), Infantry, Company "K", 7th Infantry, for services from 10 June to 18 August 1943. Entered service from Flemington, New Jersey.

WILLIAM P. YARBOROUGH, 020362, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, 509th Parachute Infantry Battalion, for services from 1 October 1943 to 1 April 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Fort Benning, Georgia.

FRANK E. KIDWELL, 015563, Colonel, Signal Corps, for services in Italy from 3 September 1943 to 4 June 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from at large.

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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:

RAYMOND J. REJCEK, 38116895, Technician Fourth Grade, Company "C", 405th Engineer Water Supply Battalion, for services in Italy from 2 October to 18 November 1943. Entered service from Abbott, Texas.

WILLIAM L. SANDERSON, 34154561, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 995th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 19 November 1943 to 19 May 1944. Entered service from Choudrant, Louisiana.

HOWARD KNIGHTON, 6905750, Staff Sergeant, Battery "C", 633d Field Artillery Battalion, for services from November 1942 through October 1943. Entered service from Woodruff, South Carolina.

EDWARD G. RICHARDSON, 6553233, Staff Sergeant, Company "I", 30th Infantry, for services from 12 November 1942 to 18 November 1943. Entered service from St. Louis, Missouri.

MELVIN G. ROBBINS, JR., 33076230, Staff Sergeant, 74th Signal Company, for services in Italy from 15 March to 30 April 1944. Entered service from Pennsylvania.

FRANK C. TYREE, 20833284, Staff Sergeant, Service Battery, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 10 September to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Watonga, Oklahoma.

ROY M. HEATH, 38030807, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 63d Signal Battalion, for services in Italy from 9 September 1943 to 31 March 1944. Entered service from Cameron, Texas.

KENNETH K. HOSEY, 20828677, First Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for services in Sicily and Italy from 10 July to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Brighton, Colorado.

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LEO G. VOSS, 0451700, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Service Company, 135th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 1 January to 1 February 1944. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

WILLIAM H. DICKINSON, 0508084, Captain, Chaplain Corps, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 10 September 1943 to 10 January 1944. Entered service from Houston, Texas.

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RICHARD C. HANSEN, 0294649, Captain, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 39th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in North Africa, Sicily, and Italy from 8 November 1942 to 3 November 1943. Entered service from Draper, Utah.

WILLIAM G. JOHNSON, 0266830, Captain, Field Artillery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for services from 22 June to 13 October 1943. Entered service from McAlester, Oklahoma.

DELBERT S. KING, 0237486, Major, Field Artillery, Headquarters 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Sicily and Italy from 10 July to 13 October 1943. Entered the service from Blackwell, Oklahoma.

KENNETH L. NOBLE, 0360235, Major, Infantry, 157th Infantry Regiment, for services from 10 July to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Denver, Colorado.

WAYNE D. SMART, 0298516, Major, Cavalry, Transportation Section, Allied Force Headquarters, for services in North Africa from 8 November 1942 to 10 May 1943. Entered service from Highland Park, Michigan.

HARRY J. LEMLEY, JR, 019756, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, 18th Field Artillery Brigade, for services from November 1943 to 11 February 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Hope, Arkansas.

RICHARD J. MEYER, 019147, Lieutenant Colonel, Signal Corps, Headquarters VI Corps, for services in Italy from 8 Februery 1943 to 29 February 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from New York.

LEE C. BIZZELL, 010250, Colonel, Infantry, 6701st Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Invasion Training Center, for services from 5 January 1943 to 24 June 1944, in North Africa and Italy. Entered service from Mississippi.

MAURICE W. DANIEL, 012766, Colonel, Field Artillery, Combat Command "A", 1st Armored Division, for services from August 1943 to 7 May 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from New Brunswick, Indiana.

ROBERT D. SCHMIDT, 0332392, Colonel, Field Artillery, 77th Field Artillery Regiment, for services from 18 January to 26 December 1943. Entered service from Huron, Ohio.

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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:

SIMON J. GUSTER, 33112798, Technician Fifth Grade, Company "F", 36th Engineer Combat Regiment, for services in North Africa, Sicily, and Italy from 8 November 1942 to 13 March 1944. Entered service from Transfer, Pennsylvania.

WALTER D. PERKINS, 35354600, Technician Fourth Grade, 107th Antiaircraft Artillery Group, for services in Sicily and Italy from 10 July to 4 October 1943. Entered service from Danville, Indiana.

ELLIS G. LAMB, 14034167, Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Medical Department, 2d Auxiliary Surgical Group, for services in North Africa and Italy from 17 November 1942 to 26 March 1944. Entered service from Shelbyville, Tennessee.

LAWRENCE E. ADAMS, 33029079, Staff Sergeant, Company "B", 36th Engineer Combat Regiment, for services in North Africa, Sicily, and Italy from 8 November 1942 to 16 February 1944. Entered service from Berwin, Pennsylvania.

EVERETT C. ARMSTRONG, 37041548, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, 11th Evacuation Hospital, for services in Sicily from 9 July to 17 August 1943. Entered service from Grinnell, Iowa.

WILLIAM H. IMBODEN, 36050371, Staff Sergeant, Company "B", 19th Combat Engineer Regiment, for services in Sicily, from July to 17 August 1943. Entered service from Jacksonville, Illinois.

ROBERT L. LEWIS, 16000075, Staff Sergeant, Battery "B", 10th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 22 January to 18 March 1944. Entered service from Centralia, Illinois.

LAWRENCE F. HETTIG, 36263970, Technical Sergeant, 451st Antiaircraft 3853
Artillery Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from 12 January 1943 to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

STEPHEN J. TAKACH, 33165909, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 69th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 1 December 1943 to 1 May 1944. Entered service from Keiser, Pennsylvania.

WATSON C. GREGG, 6389997, Master Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 35th Field Artillery Group, for services in Italy from 20 November 1943 to 6 May 1944. Entered service from Lexington, North Carolina.

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DONALD E. NYGHT, 20716775, Master Sergeant, Service Battery, 185th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from February to October 1943. Entered service from Grand Junction, Iowa.

CHARLES J. WILSON, 35030961, First Sergeant, 94th Evacuation Hospital, for services from 14 November 1942 to 16 March 1944. Entered service from Canal Winchester, Ohio.

LEONARD B. GATEWOOD, W2109231, Chief Warrant Officer, Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4, Headquarters First Armored Division, for services in North Africa and Italy from November 1942 to 10 May 1944. Entered service from Jackson, Mississippi.

BENJAMIN D. STRAWN, 0471381, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, 19th Engineer Combat Regiment, for services in Sicily from 1 August to 17 August 1943. Entered service from Lubbock, Texas.

JOHN L. FALLON, 0375336, Captain, Field Artillery, 27th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for services in North Africa from 8 November 1942 to 9 May 1943. Entered service from Fort Collins, Colorado.

RAMSEY L. OAKES, 0412064, Captain, Infantry, 894th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for services in Italy from 1 February to 11 April 1944. Entered service from Leesville, Louisiana.

RUSSELL HICOCK, 0244058, Major, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters VI Corps, for services during August to September 1943. Entered service from Southbury, Connecticut.

JOHN L. INSKEEP, 018396, Lieutenant Colonel, Cavalry, 16th Armored Engineer Battalion, for services from 1 September 1942 to 12 May 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from McKeesport, Pennsylvania.

FRANCIS J. MURDOCH, JR., 019853, Lieutenant Colonel, Transportation Corps, Office of Chief of Transportation, Headquarters, North African Theater of Operations, United States Army, for services from 1 January to 20 September 1943. Entered United States Military Academy from North Carolina.

VICTOR A. CONRAD, 0155446, Colonel, Signal Corps, Signal Section, Allied Force Headquarters, for services from 18 March to 1 December 1943. Entered the United States Military Academy from Wisconsin.

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I
Establishment of NATOUSA Manpower Board II
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I -- ESTABLISHMENT OF NATOUSA MANPOWER BOARD

1. Announcement is made of the establishment of a NATOUSA Manpower Board.

2. The Board will be composed of:

a. The Inspector General, NATOUSA (President)

b. The Inspector General, SOS, NATOUSA

c. The Inspector General, AAF/MTO

3. The NATOUSA Manpower Board is appointed for the purpose of:

a. Conducting constant surveys of units (to include War Department constituted units, units organized from theater or AAF/MTO overhead allotment, Italian Service units (Prisoner of War), and Italian Army units), and installations to determine:

(1) Whether they are essential;

(2) Whether they are being utilized for the purpose intended;

(3) Whether authorized personnel is excessive and, if so, the non-essential positions which should be eliminated.

(4) Whether maximum utilization is being made of available limited assignment personnel. (In this connection note authority of the Commanding General, Replacement Command, NATOUSA, as set forth in paragraph 5, Section IV, NATOUSA Circular Number 85, 1944.)

b. Determining whether troop units, civilians, and prisoners of war are in all cases being utilized to the best advantage to reduce non-T/O overhead requirements.

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4. The members of the Board are authorized to utilize the inspectors general, and their assistants, of subordinate units to assist in carrying out the Board's mission.

5. Commencing 1 August 1944, the President of the Board will submit monthly progress reports to this headquarters, together with specific recommendations for action to be taken.

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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 exceptionelly meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

GEORGE C. ARZENTE, JR, 13026303, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 50th Service Squadron, 324th Service Group, for services in Italy from 15 February to 1 April 1944. Entered service from Kingston, Pennsylvania.

HERMAN EICHENTHAL, 12059034, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), G-1 Section, Headquarters II Corps, for services in North Africa and Sicily from 11 November 1942 to 17 August 1943. Entered service from Brooklyn, New York.

SAMUEL J. FISLER, 32069265, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Engineer Section, Headquarters II Corps, for services in North Africa from 16 January to 10 May 1943. Entered service from Trenton, New Jersey.

FREDERICK A. STOLZ, JR., 39004484, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for services in North Africa and Italy from 28 February 1943 to 12 October 1943. Entered service from Burlingame, California.

JAMES K. WILKINSON, 20800818, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, II Corps, for services in North Africa from 11 November 1942 to 8 May 1943. Entered service from San Antonio, Texas.

WILLIAM G. BERUBE, 31003009, Master Sergeant, G-2 Section, Headquarters VI Corps, for services from March to October 1943. Entered service from Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts.

EDWARD J. ZAREMBA, 16008198, Master Sergeant, G-3 Section, Headquarters VI Corps, for services from April to October 1943. Entered service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

GEORGE E. SANDGREN, 35354534, First Sergeant, 6649th Navigational Aids Squadron, for service from September 1943 to June 1944. Entered service from Richmond, Illinois.

JAMES M. DEGARMO, 0406806, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Field Artillery, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 13 December 1943 to 15 Februury 1944. Entered service from Cleburne, Texas.

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Award of Bronze Star Medal I
Award of Legion of Merit II
Amendment of General Orders III

I --- 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 personnel:

ALBERTO PELLEGRINI, Sergeant Major, 5th Reparto Salmerie di C. d'A., (5th Pack Mule Group (Italian), for heroic achievement in connection with military operations on 7 February 1944 in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy.

ARTHUR C. O'CONNOR, 01000058, Captain, (then First Lieutenant), Adjutant General's Department, 20th Machine Records Unit (Mobile), for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in North Africa and Sicily from 24 December 1942 to 24 July 1943. Entered service from Grosse Point Farms, Michigan.

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:

ANTHONY ZINKE, 32326361, Technician Fourth Grade, 6689th Signal Monitoring Company, for services from November 1943 through February 1944. Entered service from Brooklyn, New York.

FRANCIS H. AITKENS, 37026181, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 34th Division Artillery, for services from 10 September to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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IRA F. MULL, 36158705, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, II Corps, for services from 1 January 1943 to 20 October 1943. Entered service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

IRVING D. LIEBERMAN, 32062716, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company II Corps, for services from 15 December 1942 to 15 June 1943. Entered service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

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RALPH J. NYENHUIS, 20276136, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), 72d Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion, for services from 1 January to 26 March 1944. Entered service from Buffalo, New York.

JAMES H. LEGENDRE, JR., 0454767, Captain, Field Artillery, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for services from 11 May to 13 October 1943. Entered service from New York, New York.

EDWARD C. TRIBBLE, 0388036, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, 72d Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion, for services from 15 July to 10 August 1943. Entered service from Pittsford, New York.

HUBERT H. DES MARAIS, 0357982, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 34th Infantry Division, for services from 30 January 1942 to 13 May 1943. Entered service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

ROBERT B. NEELY, 01911, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 34th Infantry Division, for services from 23 September 1942 to 13 October 1943. Entered United States Military Academy from Washington, D.C.

ROBERT F. HALLOCK, 015134, Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters II Corps Artillery, for services from 25 October 1943 to 12 March 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Dundee, New York.

EDWARD P. HAMILTON, 0208420, Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters II Corps Artillery, for services from 15 February to 15 April 1944. Entered service from Milton, Massachusetts.

III -- AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS

So much of Section III, NATOUSA General Orders Number 139, 1943, as pertains to the award of the Legion of Merit to MICHAEL D. POBOR, 01308374, Second Lieutenant, is rescinded.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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30 June 1944

Award of Distinguished Service Cross I
Award of Bronze Star Medal II
Award of Legion of Merit (Posthumous) III
Award of Legion of Merit IV
Amendment of General Orders V

I ---- AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

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

LLOYD G. SMITH, 0455941, Captain, Ordnance, Office of Strategic Services, while attached to the 2677th Headquarters Company, OSS (Provisional), for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy during the period 7 December 1943 to 21 March 1944. Captain Smith's resolute conduct in the face of great peril, throughout an extended period, in the successful accomplishment of an extremely hazardous and difficult mission exemplified the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered service from State College, Pennsylvania.

II --- 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 officer:

WILLIAM H. TURNER, 124591, Flight Lieutenant, 12th Field Unit, Royal Air Force, for heroic achievement in connection with operations against the enemy at Salerno, Italy, 10-15 September 1943. As Commanding Officer of the 23d Field Unit, Royal Air Force, attached to the 64th Fighter Wing, United States Army Air Forces, Flight Lieutenant Turner, landed on the beachhead at Salerno on D plus 1, and immediately set his unit in operation gaining much valuable information and advance warning on enemy aircraft attempting to attack the landing forces. Due to the shallow beachhead it was necessary to place all installations under direct enemy artillery fire and on the second day of operation, enemy shells scored direct hits on the equipment and personnel. Refusing to seek shelter, Flight Lieutenant Turner rallied his men and within twenty minutes had made temporary repairs and was again operating his unit. The following day when an enemy bomber was shot down over his unit and fell directly on the operating installation causing many casualties, Flight Lieutenant Turner, again refused to take shelter and after administering first aid to the wounded, while the aircraft was still causing violent explosions from bombs and gasoline, returned to his equipment and in a minimum of time had it back into operation. His extraordinary devotion to duty and display of great personal courage reflect great credit upon himself and the Allied Air Forces.

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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:

JOHN W. McPHEETERS, 0257730, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, for services in North Africa and Italy from 2 March 1943 to 25 March 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. John W. McPheeters (Wife), 17 South Ritter Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

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:

PAUL L. ROBERTS, 35011720, Technician Fourth Grade, Company "B", First Armored Signal Battalion, for services from 31 May to 18 August 1943. Entered service from Cleveland, Ohio.

HILARY J. HEINECKE, 16047046, Technical Sergeant, 331st Service Squadron, 62d Service Group, for services in North Africa from 12 February to 13 May 1943. Entered service from Ripon, Wisconsin.

HOWARD D. BECK, 6848695, Master Sergeant, 66th Fighter Squadron, for services in the North African Theater of Operations from 3 June to 25 September 1943. Entered service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

HUGH G. CULTON, 010325, Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters, Mediterranean Allied Air Force, for services from 2 December 1942 to 27 June 1944. Entered service from Richmond, Kentucky.

V ---- AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS

So much of Section II, NATOUSA General Orders Number 60, 1944, as pertains to the award of the purple heart to EDWARD L. AUSTIN, 0311026, Lieutenant Colonel, is amended to read as follows:

. . . . . .

"EDWARD L. AUSTIN, 0311026, Lieutenant Colonel, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Tunisia, 13 January 1943."

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23 June 1944

Designation of Chief of Transportation, NATOUSA as Transportation Officer, SOS, NATOUSA I
Award of Purple Heart II
Award of Legion of Merit (Posthumous) III
Award of Legion of Merit IV

I -- DESIGNATION OF CHIEF OF TRANSPORTATION, NATOUSA AS TRANSPORTATION OFFICER, SOS, NATOUSA

In addition to his other duties, the Chief of Transportation, NATOUSA will serve as Transportation Officer, SOS, NATOUSA. In the performance of his duties as Transportation Officer, SOS, NATOUSA, he will operate under the authority of and in compliance with policies laid down by the Commanding General, SOS, NATOUSA.

II -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

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

STANLEY M. STONER, 13009822, Private, Company "A", 2d Chemical Battalion, Italy, 4 November 1943.

EDWARD L. AUSTIN, 0311026, Lieutenant Colonel, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Tunisia, 13 January 1944.

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:

MARTIN A. HARNISCH, 0344795, Lieutenant Colonel, Air Corps, for services in North Africa, Sicily, and Italy, from April to 20 November 1943. Next of kin: Mrs. Martin A. Harnisch (wife), 421 W. North Street, Hinsdale, Illinois.

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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:

VICTOR A. GENNUSA, 32120949, Technical Sergeant, 6704th Armored Force Training Company, for services from 9 June 1943 to 5 February 1944. Entered service from Jamaica, Long Island, New York.

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JAMES C. ADAMS, 33192609, Warrant Officer (jg) (then Corporal), Adjutant General's Section, Headquarters, North African Theater of Operations, for services in North Africa from 25 May 1943 to 29 December 1943. Entered service from Washington, D. C.

KARL M. TOMFOHRDE, 0904698, Captain, Air Corps, Headquarters Fifth Wing (US), for services from 24 December 1942 to 6 May 1944. Entered service from Knoxville, Tennessee.

THOMAS FULLER, 0248411, Colonel (then Lieutenant Colonel), Transportation Corps, Headquarters, North African Theater of Operations, for services during the period 1 December 1942 to 17 February 1944. Entered service from Florida.

LAWRENCE E. HEYDUCK, 011983, Colonel, GSC, for services from 8 November 1942 to 31 March 1944. Entered service from Illinois.

GUSTAVE H. VOGEL, 012793, Colonel, Quartermaster Corps, Allied Force Headquarters, for services in North Africa from December 1942 to 13 June 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Colorado.

THOMAS E. RODERICK, 07383, Brigadier General, United States Army (then Colonel, GSC), as Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Allied Force Headquarters, for services from April 1943 to March 1944. Entered service from Canton, Ohio.

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Award of Air Medal and Oak Leaf Cluster I
Award of Legion of Merit II

I -- AWARD OF AIR MEDAL AND OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Air Medal and appropriate Oak Leaf Cluster are awarded to the following named enlisted men for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

AIR MEDAL

TULLY R. CORNICK, 39681779, Staff Sergeant, from 7 March to 18 March 1944. Entered service from Berkeley, California.

EDWARD SMITH, 6859830, Staff Sergeant, from 19 October 1943 to 8 January 1944. Entered service from Leavenworth, Kansas.

FREDERICK CLARK, 666702, Technical Sergeant, from 11 November 1942 to 15 February 1944. Entered service from McMechen, West Virginia.

KARL J. FLATZ, 33138343, Technical Sergeant, from 7 February to 10 March 1944. Entered service from Glenside, Pennsylvania.

JOHN W. SWETISH, 6562009, Technical Sergeant, from 19 October 1943 to 9 January 1944. Entered service from Dillon, Montana.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER

TULLY R. CORNICK, 39681779, Staff Sergeant, from 24 March to 4 April 1944. Entered service from Berkeley, California.

EDWARD SMITH, 6859830, Staff Sergeant, from 13 January to 29 January 1944. Entered service from Leavenworth, Kansas.

KARL J. FLATZ, 33138343, Technical Sergeant, from 14 March to 4 April 1944. Entered service from Glenside, Pennsylvania.

JOHN W. SWETISH, 6562009, Technical Sergeant, from 15 January to 30 January 1944. Entered service from Dillon, Montana.

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SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER

TULLY R. CORNICK, 39681779, Staff Sergeant, from 30 April to 26 May 1944. Entered service from Berkeley, California.

EDWARD SMITH, 6859830, Staff Sergeant, from 12 February to 11 March 1944. Entered service from Leavenworth, Kansas.

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KARL J. PLATZ, 33138343, Technical Sergeant, from 10 April to 5 May 1944. Entered service from Glenside, Pennsylvania.

JOHN W. SWETISH, 6562009, Technical Sergeant, from 6 February to 5 March 1944. Entered service from Dillon, Montana.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER

KARL J. PLATZ, 33138343, Technical Sergeant, from 11 May to 27 May 1944. Entered service from Glenside, Pennsylvania.

JOHN W. SWETISH, 6562009, Technical Sergeant, from 10 March to 23 March 1944. Entered service from Dillon, Montana.

FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER

JOHN W. SWETISH, 6562009, Technical Sergeant, from 24 March to 5 May 1944. Entered service from Dillon, Montana.

FIFTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER

JOHN W. SWETISH, 6562009, Technical Sergeant, from 9 May to 26 May 1944. Entered service from Dillon, Montana.

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 enlisted men for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

BILLY B. BURNS, 38279348, Technician Third Grade, 6700th Engineer Training Company, for services from 1 May to 1 November 1943. Entered service from Denton, Texas.

WILL L. BUIE, 18029523, Technical Sergeant, First Fighter Training Squadron, Fighter Training Center, for services in North Africa during the month of November 1943. Entered service from Lawton, Oklahoma.

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Award of Distinguished Flying Cross I
Award of Legion of Merit II

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 officers:

ALLISTON M. MILLER, 205831-V, Lieutenant, 60th Squadron, South African Air Force, for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight on 3 August 1943, in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Lieutenant Miller flew the first reconnaissance sortie to obtain photographs of the bomb damage of the celebrated Ploesti refinery raid. Beset by aggravating mechanical and weather difficulties, this flight was the third in as many days. Flying in a Mosquito type aircraft, Lieutenant Miller, with great courage and devotion to duty, flew more than 900 miles to the target area, obtained excellent photographic coverage and headed for home. With fuel dangerously low, he flew straight over hotly defended Athens, Greece, in an attempt to save precious mileage. Fifty miles from land, his engines began to sputter, but by skillful handling, alternately banking his aircraft, the last drops of fuel were utilized and another thirty miles of flight obtained. Preparations then were made to abandon the aircraft. Undaunted, Lieutenant Miller remained at the controls and with superior airmanship landed in friendly territory with his motors dead. This example of courage and skill in performing a vital military assignment reflects great credit on Lieutenant Miller, and to the South African Air Force.

REGINALD F. HAYES, 60457, Flight Lieutenant, 284th Air Sea Rescue Squadron, Royal Air Force, for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as pilot of a Walrus type amphibious aircraft, on 29 June 1943 in the Straits of Messina. Displaying outstanding courage, determination and sound judgment, during hours of darkness, Lieutenant Hayes was responsible for saving the lives of three American pilots who were adrift after losing their aircraft in combat with the enemy. Piloting an aircraft which was slow and extremely vulnerable to enemy attack, and disregarding enemy ground fire and the absence of radio recognition in an area which was then under aerial control of the enemy, Lieutenant Hayes, after several unsuccessful attempts, succeeded in landing in exceedingly dangerous waters and rescuing the three stranded airmen. His proficiency and selfless devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the Allied Nations.

EDWARD U. BRIERLEY, 29607-V, Major, 60th Squadron, South African Air Force, for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight on 30 September 1943 in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Major Brierley took off from North Africa on one of the longest photo reconnaissance missions ever attempted

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prior to that time. Assigned targets far into the Balkans, Major Brierley's flight plan called for over ten hours in the air, requiring that all fuel reserves be used. Shortly after arriving over enemy territory, mechanical failure prevented the use of his emergency fuel tanks. With outstanding courage and sense of duty, Major Brierley pressed on to his objective, knowing full well that his fuel would not carry him back to his operating base but at best to only a hazardous advance field. The mission was highly successful, and urgently needed target chart material was obtained. This example of high courage and devotion to duty was typical of the outstanding flying and combat leadership of Major Brierley Commanding Officer of the 60th Squadron, South African Air Force, and reflects great credit upon himself, his organization and the strength and spirit of the United Nations.

CHARLES PATRICK GREEN, 90134, Wing Commander (then Squadron Commander), 600th Squadron, Royal Air Force, for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight from 9 September 1943 to 6 March 1944, in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. As Commander of a Royal Air Force Night Fighter Squadron attached to the American Air Force 64th Fighter Wing, Wing Commander Green, led his squadron in aerial protection for the amphibious landings at Salerno, Italy. During these landings, he flew many of the missions personally and constantly revised the tactics of the organization in order to give a maximum of protection to the invasion forces. He destroyed one enemy aircraft and aided in breaking up many enemy formations before they could reach their objectives. As the fight for Italy progressed, Wing Commander Green's leadership of his squadron and his ability to meet any new tactics developed by the German Air Force in their efforts against the Allied ground forces during the hours of darkness resulted in destruction of 129 enemy night bombers, 11 of which were personal victories for Wing Commander Green.

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 enlisted men for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

WILLIAM S. BUSH, 37119893, Technician Fourth Grade, Company "C", 814th Engineer Aviation Battalion, for services during the month of February 1943. Entered service from Olivet, South Dakota.

JOE J. REIDA, 17004013, Technical Sergeant, 433d Bombardment Squadron, for services from 15 May 1943 to 31 March 1944. Entered service from Omaha, Nebraska.

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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:

EDWARD R. KORB, 33273363, Technician Fifth Grade, Company "G", 3d Battalion, 21st Engineer Aviation Regiment, for services in North Africa from 9 April to 22 April 1943. Entered service from Erie, Pennsylvania.

RICHARD L. GILBERT, 33155358, Technician Fourth Grade, Company "A", 817th Engineer Aviation Battalion, for services in Italy from 11 September to 14 September 1943. Entered service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH LOPES, 31068269, Sergeant, Company "C", 179th Infantry Regiment, for services from 12 November to 8 December 1943. Entered service from Fall River, Massachusetts.

ADOLPH G. KATZMAN, 35109969, Staff Sergeant, Company "C", 815th Engineer Aviation Battalion, for services from 10 July to 23 September 1943. Entered service from Louisville, Kentucky.

FRANK J. MANESS, 39014955, Staff Sergeant, Company "B", 814th Engineer Aviation Battalion, for services in Sicily and Italy from 10 August 1943 to 20 January 1944. Entered service from Arcata, California.

DAVIS F. McDONALD, 6973203, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters and Service Company, 3d Battalion, 21st Engineer Aviation Regiment, for services in North Africa from 10 June to 1 August 1943. Entered service from Dothan, Alabama.

ARNOLD W. SMITH, 38017292, Technical Sergeant, Company "H", 180th Infantry Regiment, for services in Sicily and Italy from 10 July 1943 to 15 January 1944. Entered service from Altus, Oklahoma.

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JOHN TALBERT, 6772641, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, for services from 22 June 1943 to 31 March 1944. Entered service from Stapleton, Long Island, New York.

BENNO BLAU, 37033547, First Sergeant (then Master Sergeant), 122d Signal Radio Intelligence Company, for services from 24 January 1943 to 1 February 1944. Entered service from Council Bluffs, Iowa.

PAUL FEDELCHAK, W2105354, Chief Warrant Officer, for services from May 1943 to April 1944. Entered service from Brownsville, Pennsylvania.

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RALPH G. GODFREY, 0422411, First Lieutenant, Company "A", 815th Engineer Aviation Battalion, for services from 16 August to 23 September 1943. Entered service from Rosemead, California.

CHARLES S. LONG, 01102824, First Lieutenant, Headquarters and Service Company, 814th Engineer Aviation Battalion, for services in North Africa and Sicily from November 1942 to August 1943. Entered service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JOHN C. O'BRIEN, 0351764, Captain, Corps of Engineers, 540th Engineer Regiment, for services in Italy from 1 March to 30 April 1944. Entered service from Dayton, Ohio.

ROBERT L. PETHERICK, 0326555, Captain, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters 10th Engineer Combat Battalion, for services from 8 November 1942 to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Seattle, Washington.

JAMES C. SMITH, 0397928, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for services in Sicily and Italy from 10 July 1943 to 15 January 1944. Entered service from Okemah, Oklahoma.

HOWARD D. STEINWINTER, 0854297, Captain, Air Corps, for services from 18 June 1943 to 1 April 1944. Entered service from North Hollywood, California.

ARTHUR L. COX, 0448408, Major, Air Corps, Headquarters 376th Bombardment Group (H), for services from 1 May 1942 to 3 May 1943. Entered service from Riverside, California.

VERNON E. FAIRBANKS, 0486892, Major (then Captain), Air Corps, 99th Bombardment Group, for services from 4 February to 13 May 1943. Entered service from Duluth, Minnesota.

WALTER T. KERWIN, 021963, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters 3d Infantry Division Artillery, for services from 1 October 1942 to 19 January 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Westchester, Pennsylvania.

HAROLD A. KURSTEDT, 016735, Colonel, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters Army Air Force Service Command, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, for services from August 1943 to January 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from St. Louis, Missouri.

JAMES C. STYRON, 0177742, Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for services from 22 June 1943 to 9 February 1944. Entered service from Hobart, Oklahoma.

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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:

CLYDE C. HOUSEHOLDER, 36004716, Corporal, Infantry, Company "I", 30th Infantry, for services from 5 January to 9 January 1944. Entered service from Waukegan, Illinois.

WILLIAM T. CAHILL, 32173825, Sergeant, Company "C", 16th Armored Engineer Battalion, for service from July 1943 to 27 March 1944. Entered service from Brooklyn, New York.

STANLEY R. LARSON, 37090845, Sergeant, Chemical Warfare Service, Chemical Section, Headquarters 3d Infantry Division, for services in Sicily and Italy from 18 June to 18 November 1943. Entered service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

FREDERICK G. LAU, 39306716, Technician Third Grade, 3d Signal Company, for services from 8 November 1942 to 15 January 1944. Entered service from Staten, Oregon.

RUSSELL L. REED, 35162888, Staff Sergeant, Service Battery, 69th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Italy from 3 November 1943 to 1 May 1944. Entered service from Clinton, Indiana.

JOHN W. EWER, 15086227, Technical Sergeant, 307th Fighter Squadron, for services from 1 July 1942 to 1 December 1943, in North Africa, Sicily, and Italy. Entered service from Lowell, Indiana.

STEPHEN J. PUK, 32204101, Technical Sergeant (then Corporal), 715th Engineer Depot Company, for service from 20 November 1942 to 10 March 1943. Entered service from Brooklyn, N. Y.

ROBERT S. DYER, 15014518, Master Sergeant, Service Company, Headquarters 1st Armored Division, for services from September 1942 to February 1944. Entered service from Toledo, Ohio.

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JOHN J. McCLOSKEY, JR, 0425235, First Lieutenant, 3d Reconnaissance Troop, for services from 20 September to 6 October 1943. Entered service from South Orange, New Jersey.

BURR MILLICAN, 0478787, First Lieutenant (Chaplain), Chaplains Corps, 3d Infantry Division Artillery, for services from 10 July 1943 to 26 February 1944. Entered service from Humansville, Missouri.

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JOHN V. WESOLOSKI, 01011517, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 191st Tank Battalion, for services from 1 December 1943 to 7 April 1944. Entered service from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT G. CATES, 0378911, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters 180th Infantry Regiment, for services in Sicily and Italy from 1 August 1943 to 1 March 1944. Entered service from Atoka, Oklahoma.

JAMES L. O. FOSTER, 0314910, Captain, Infantry, 751st Tank Battalion, for services from 31 July 1942 to 18 November 1943. Entered service from Spartanburg, South Carolina.

DENIS G. MOORE, 0435946, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Chaplains Corps, 6648th Casual Battalion, for service from 10 July to 18 August 1943. Entered service from Oakland, California.

ROBERT W. NEWMAN, 0441678, Major (then Captain), Medical Corps, 33d Field Hospital, for services from 22 October 1943 to 30 April 1944. Entered service from Memphis, Tennessee.

HENRY R. RANSOM, 0344514, Major, Medical Corps, 15th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 21 September to 6 November 1943. Entered service from Grand Forks, North Dakota.

VANCE VOSTEL, 0461357, Major, Air Corps, 308th Fighter Squadron, for services from 21 April to 1 November 1943. Entered service from San Antonio, Texas.

FREEMAN T. JOHNSON, 0249157, Lieutenant Colonel, Corps of Engineers, 2610th Engineer Area Headquarters Detachment, for services from 1 September 1943 to 31 December 1943. Entered service from Arlington, Virginia.

PHILIP W. MALLORY, 020916, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, 56th Evacuation Hospital, for services from 20 June 1943 to 9 April 1944. Entered service from San Antonio, Texas.

VERNON T. ANDERSON, 0263880, Colonel, 178th Field Artillery Regiment, for services from 11 November 1942 to 24 February 1944. Entered service from Lyman, South Carolina.

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Award of Bronze Star Medal I
Award of Legion of Merit (Posthumous) II
Award of Legion of Merit III

I -- 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 individual:

LOUIS BERTONE, Adjutant (then Sergeant Chef), French Guarde Mobile, for heroic achievement in connection with operations against the enemy at Ain El Beida, Tunisia on 20 April 1943. On his own initiative and with complete disregard for his personal safety, Adjutant Bertone proceeded on a daylight reconnaissance to locate enemy positions far in advance of the Allied lines. Traveling through numerous unchartered enemy mine fields and passing within 300 yards of German machine gun positions at great risk of being captured or killed, he reconnoitered enemy positions along a four mile front under intermittent fire and returned with vital information which proved invaluable in later operations.

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 personnel for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

PAUL A. REINERTSEN, 39010045, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 20 September to 18 October 1943. Next of kin: Aaron B. Reinertsen (father), 431 Medford Avenue, Hayward, California.

ELMER E. WATTERS, 0873014, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, for services from November 1942 to April 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Elmer E. Watters (wife), Driggs, Idaho.

STEWART R. DOBBINS, 01284077, Captain, Infantry, 1st Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 9 September 1943 to 11 February 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Evelyn M. Dobbins (wife), 392 Hillwood Drive, Akron 5 - Ohio.

III -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

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WILLIAM E. MEYER, 36446093, Private, 3d Quartermaster Company, for services from 6 August to 18 November 1943. Entered service from Decatur, Illinois.

ROBERT ANDERSON, 36201854, Technician Fourth Grade, Company "C", 10th Engineer Combat Battalion, for services from 8 November 1942 to 18 November 1943. Entered service from Hawthorne, Wisconsin.

ROY J. DODDS, 12060869, Technical Sergeant, 447th Bombardment Squadron, for services from 20 March 1943 to 25 January 1944. Entered service from Pine Grove, Pennsylvania.

WALTER L. ANDERSON, 13095451, Master Sergeant, Company "B", 435th Signal Battalion Construction Aviation, for services in Italy from December 1943 to April 1944. Entered service from Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

GILBERT B. WISEMAN, W2117858, Warrant Officer (jg), Headquarters Detachment, 120th Medical Battalion, for services in Sicily and Italy from 10 July to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Holdenville, Oklahoma.

EDWIN D. THOMPSON, 01583763, Second Lieutenant, Headquarters and Service Company, 623d Ordnance Base Automotive Maintenance Battalion, for service during the period 28 June to 5 October 1943. Entered service from Stockton, California.

ROBERT M. BODDY, 0409085, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters, 3d Battalion, 30th Infantry, for services from 17 August 1943 to 22 February 1944. Entered service from Los Angeles, California.

GEORGE D. SHAFFER, 01636635, Captain, Signal Corps, Company "A", 1st Armored Signal Battalion, for services from 22 September 1942 to 1 March 1944. Entered service from St. Joseph, Missouri.

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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.

LOUIS GINSBERG, 39019415, Staff Sergeant, 108th Quartermaster Bakery Company, for services from 5 October to 15 December 1943. Entered service from Los Angeles, California.

JAMES T. HOWELL, 7082034, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, VI Corps, for services from January to October 1943. Entered service from Decatur, Alabama.

DAVID D. ISAAC, 39843731, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, for services from 15 January to 30 November 1943. Entered service from Salinas, California.

PAUL ROY, 31067763, Staff Sergeant, for services from 28 November 1942 to 2 November 1943. Entered service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

WILBUR B. CANFIELD, 18054161, Technical Sergeant, 1033d Signal Company, for services from 20 February to 1 October 1943. Entered service from Stillwater, Oklahoma.

RICHARD W. LONG, 36351787, Technical Sergeant, for services from 28 November 1942 to 2 November 1943. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

MICHAEL R. McGRAW, 6621235, Technical Sergeant, Bombardment Training Center, XII Training Command, for service during the period 18 November to 15 December 1943. Entered service from Barksdale Field, Louisiana.

THOMAS B. SHARROCK, 12078916, Master Sergeant (then Private First Class and Corporal), 715th Engineer Depot Company, for services from 26 December 1942 to 10 March 1943. Entered service from Rockaway, New Jersey.

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OTIS B. SCHOOLEY, 38110405, First Sergeant, Company "A", 713th Railway Operating Battalion, for services during the period 8-26 December 1943. Entered service from Brush, Colorado.

SAMUEL Z. DAVIDSON, W2127293, Warrant Officer (jg), Headquarters, Fifteenth Air Force, for services from 28 December 1942 to 24 August 1943. Entered service from Maben, Mississippi.

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FRANK J. SCHMIDT, W2109304, Warrant Officer (jg), United States Army, 1033d Signal Company, Service Group, for services from 20 March to 1 November 1943. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

STONEWALL J. OMO, 02046465, Lieutenant, Air Corps, Bombardment Training Center, XII Training Command, for service during the period 18 November to 15 December 1943. Entered service from Boise, Idaho.

JOHN R. BROWN, 0731016, Captain, Air Corps, Headquarters, Fifteenth Air Force, for services from 2 September to 3 December 1943. Entered service from Baltimore, Maryland.

THOMAS G. STEVENSON, 0362991, Captain, Company "C", 815th Engineer Aviation Battalion, for services during the period 10 July to 27 July 1943. Entered service from Millville, New Jersey.

JOHN A. ROTH, 0474036, Major, Air Corps, Headquarters, 82d Fighter Group for services from 24 September 1942 to 4 January 1944. Entered service from Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

ALBERT B. CROWTHER, 0308510, Lieutenant Colonel, GSC, Headquarters, for services from 13 April 1943 to 9 May 1944. Entered the service from San Antonio, Texas.

GEORGE E. HALLIDAY, 0251946, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, 633d Field Artillery Battalion, for services from 17 November 1942 to 5 March 1944. Entered service from Arlington, Virginia.

MERRILL A. KEMPTON, 0306088, Lieutenant Colonel, Air Corps, for services from January to September 1943. Entered service from Buhl, Idaho.

ALEXANDER T. SEDGWICK, 0188448, Lieutenant Colonel, Quartermaster Corps, for services from 19 March to 31 July 1943. Entered service from Rockford, Illinois.

HUMPHREY S. EVANS, 06508, Colonel, Quartermaster Corps, 6671st General Depot, Center District, Mediterranean Base Section, for services from 29 May to 29 November 1943. Entered service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

JOSEPH P. SULLIVAN, 05328, Brigadier General (then Colonel), United States Army, for services from 5 January to 13 October 1943. Entered the United States Military Academy from California.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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Censorship Responsibilities I
Award of Legion of Merit (Posthumous) II
Award of Legion of Merit (Missing in Action) III
Award of Legion of Merit IV

I ---- CENSORSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Paragraph b, NATOUSA General Orders Number 13, 1944, and so much of NATOUSA General Orders Number 19, 1944, as pertains to the Censorship Section are rescinded.

2. Effective at a date to be agreed upon between the Commanding General, SOS, NATOUSA, and the AC of S, G-2, NATOUSA, but in no event later than 15 June, the Commanding General, SOS, NATOUSA, is relieved of responsibility for censorship of U.S. Army mail, prisoner of war mail, and related censorship matters, and the AC of S, G-2, NATOUSA, charged therewith.

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 enlisted man for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

EDWIN I. JOHNSON, 32243125, Sergeant, Company D, 83d Chemical Battalion, for services from 12 July to 9 December 1943. Next of kin: Mrs. Charlotte Johnson (Mother), 321 Brooks Avenue, Magnolia, New Jersey.

III -- 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 for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

DAVIS D. GRAVES, 017466, Brigadier General, (then Colonel), Air Corps, 63d Fighter Wing, for services from 1 April to 10 November 1943. Next of kin: Eleanor F. Graves, (wife), 1837 West Woodland Avenue, San Antonio, Texas.

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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:

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ROBERT L. ROOKER, 35000709, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2675th Regiment, Allied Control Commission (Provisional) for services from 1 December 1943 to 30 April 1944. Entered service from Lancaster, Ohio.

JOSEPH MAGDZIARZ, 6131495, Technical Sergeant, Service Company, First Special Service Force, for services from July 1942 to May 1944. Entered Service from Waterbury, Connecticut.

GLENN E. GATLIN, 19028938, Master Sergeant, Service Company, First Special Service Force, for services from July 1942 to May 1944. Entered service from Mobeetle, Texas.

KENNETH W. CLARK, 0907752, Lieutenant Colonel, Army of the United States, for services during the period 1 February to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Washington, D.C.

IRVING C. AVERY, 04830, Colonel, Inspector General's Department, for services from 11 September 1942 to 13 October 1943. Entered the military service from Connecticut.

KIRK BROADDUS, 09665, Colonel, Cavalry, for service from 19 March to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Richmond, Virginia.

GERALD A. COUNTS, 08556, Colonel, CE, Engineer Section, Allied Force Headquarters, for services from 1 September 1943 to 10 June 1944. Entered the Military Academy from California.

EDWARD P. MECHLING, 016798, Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters, XV Air Force, for services from 28 May 1943 to 1 April 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from the United States at large.

JOSEPH S. ROBINSON, 011195, Colonel, Coast Artillery Corps, for services from 20 January 1943 to 30 March 1944. Entered service from Massachusetts.

STEWART T. VINCENT, 015021, Colonel, General Staff Corps, for services during the period 15 June to 13 August 1943. Entered the United States Military Academy from New York.

ROBERT J. WOOD, 018064, Colonel, then Lieutenant Colonel, GSC, Headquarters Fifth Army, for services during the period 1 December 1942 to 13 October 1943. Entered the United States Military Academy from Petersburg, Virginia.

JOSEPH I. MARTIN, 011943, Brigadier General, United States Army, for services from 4 April to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Illinois.

RICHARD B. MORAN, 05399, Brigadier General, United States Army, for services during the period 19 December 1942 to 13 October 1943, Entered the military service from Colorado.

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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:

ROBERT F. CAMPBELL, 19078305, Sergeant, 96th Fighter Squadron, for services from 15 February 1943 to 10 January 1944. Entered service from Los Alamitos, California.

JAMES E. JENNINGS, 6916027, Master Sergeant, 343d Bombardment Squadron, for services from July 1942 to January 1944. Entered service from Kalamazoo, Michigan.

CHARLES KOMAN, 6547492, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 97th Fighter Squadron, for services from 23 December 1942 to 2 February 1944. Entered service from Connonsburg, Pennsylvania.

JACK M. PRUDEN, 18034842, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 48th Fighter Squadron, for services from 15 May to 15 July 1943. Entered service from Henderson, Texas.

SAMUEL PRESS, 0560239, Captain, Air Corps, Headquarters, Fifteenth Air Force, for services from 4 February to 10 December 1943. Entered service from Brooklyn, New York.

DAVID WELD, 0900317, Captain, Air Corps, 82d Fighter Group, for services from October 1942 to December 1943. Entered service from Smithtown, New York.

EMITT C. WITT, JR., 0379363, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, for services from 20 November 1943 to 15 May 1944. Entered service from Washington, D. C.

JOEL A. WOLFE, 0485130, Captain, 96th Fighter Squadron, 82d Fighter Group, for services from September 1942 to December 1943. Entered service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

EDWARD D. S. SULLIVAN, 0391207, Major (then Captain), Air Corps, Headquarters, 82d Fighter Group, for services from 15 November 1942 to 14 October 1943. Entered service from Reno, Nevada.

THEODORE L. FINLEY, 018640, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, Headquarters Services of Supply, North African Theater of Operations, for services from 14 March to 1 October 1943. Entered service from Maplewood, Missouri.

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JOHN M. IVINS, 0277746, Lieutenant Colonel, Adjutant General's Department, Headquarters, XII Bomber Command, for services from November 1942 to March 1943. Entered service from Hamilton Square, New Jersey.

RAYMOND J. NOVOTNY, 0360224, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), Infantry, Fifth Army Headquarters, for services during the period 11 January to 13 October 1943. Entered military service from Ohio.

IRA W. PORTER, 0349700, Lieutenant Colonel, GSC, for service during the period 10 December 1942 to 13 October 1943. Entered the United States Military Academy from Nebraska.

FARRANT L. TURNER, 0241826, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, for services from 5 June 1942 to 29 October 1943. Entered service from Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

WILLIAM H. HILL, 012642, Colonel, Field Artillery (then General Staff Corps), for services from January 1943 to April 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from Texas.

CLAUDE B. MICKELWAIT, 010287, Colonel, JAGD, Headquarters Fifth Army, for services from 9 January to 13 October 1943. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

PATRICK J. RYAN, 017363, Colonel (then Lieutenant Colonel), Chaplains Corps, Headquarters Fifth Army, for services during the period 8 November 1942 to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Litchfield, Minnesota.

GUY M. TALCOTT, 0185901, Colonel, GSC, for services from 10 February to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

RICHARD B. THORNTON, 014853, Colonel, GSC, Headquarters Mediterranean Base Section, for services from 1 June 1943 to 15 April 1944. Entered service from Pontiac, Illinois.

LeCOUNT H. SLOCUM, 09716, Brigadier General, United States Army, for services from 24 June 1942 to 12 December 1942. Entered service from California.

THOMAS B. LARKIN, 03785, Major General, United States Army, for services during the period 15 February 1943 to 2 February 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Washington.

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Announcement of Deputy Chief of Staff, NATOUSA I
Award of Legion of Merit (Posthumous). II
Award of Legion of Merit III

I -- ANNOUNCEMENT OF DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, NATOUSA

Announcement is made of the assignment of Colonel GEORGE D. PEIRCE, 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, 35402850, 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, 98th 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.

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

HAROLD F. McMILLAN, 31026093, 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. FRANGE, 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, 6646037, 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 "F", 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 Caroline.

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Designation of Theater Chaplain I
Award of Silver Star II
Award of Oak Leaf Cluster for Legion of Merit III
Award of Legion of Merit IV

I -- DESIGNATION OF THEATER CHAPLAIN

Section I, NATOUSA General Order Number 38, 1944, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

"In addition to his duties at Headquarters, SOS, NATOUSA, Chaplain (Colonel) MILTON O. BEEBE, 05445, is designated as Theater Chaplain, North African Theater of Operations."

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:

EUSTACE JOHN BLOIS NELSON, 53116, Temporary Major, Infantry, British Army, for gallantry in action, on 9-10 February 1944, near Carreceto, Italy. Shortly after recovering from severe wounds, Major Nelson, second in command of his unit, assumed the leadership of his battalion when his commanding officer was killed in the heat of battle. His personal courage and vigorous leadership, in the midst of bitter fighting, inspired the tired remnants of the battalion to hold a vital position. He rallied drivers, signallers, cooks and other service personnel and brought them into battle to retard the advancing enemy. Major Nelson's skilled direction of his men and his inspiring courage and determination were decisive factors in holding vital ground until his battalion was relieved.

III -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, in addition to the Legion of Merit awarded by the Theater Commander as published in NATOUSA General Orders Number 67, 1943, the bronze Oak Leaf Cluster was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named officer for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

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FRANCIS H. OXX, 012607, Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters Peninsular Base Section, for services from 1 August to 13 October 1943. Entered the United States Military Academy from Rhode Island.

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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:

REUBEN C. BOATWRIGHT, 6839421, Technical Sergeant, Engineer Section, Headquarters VI Corps, for services from August to October 1943. Entered service from Columbia, Virginia.

EUGENE M. BUCHANAN, 13036259, Master Sergeant, Signal Corps, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2623d Signal Regiment (Provisional), for services from 5 March to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Richmond, Virginia.

FRANK B. DRUSCHEL, 36316419, First Sergeant, 95th Evacuation Hospital (Semimobile), for services in Italy, from 9 September to 18 September 1943. Entered service from Batavia, Illinois.

HENRY J. EGAL, 01549932, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Ordnance Department, Headquarters, VI Corps, for services from 10 September 1943 to 5 April 1944. Entered service from Brooklyn, New York.

WILLIAM O. CALLAHAN, 0372455, Major, AGD, for services in England and North Africa from 1 October 1942 to 28 November 1943. Entered military service from Columbia, South Carolina.

CHARLES E. NORTON, 0902179, Major, Ordnance Department, Headquarters, Services of Supply, North African Theater of Operations, for services from 1 August 1943 to 1 January 1944. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

ROSS YOUNG, 0348457, Major (then Captain), Infantry, for services from 15 August to 4 September 1943. Entered service from San Antonio, Texas.

WALTER J. AMNOTE, 0227470, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, 45th Infantry Division, Artillery, for services from 19 April 1943 to 10 January 1944. Entered service from McAlester, Oklahoma.

CHESTER JAMES, 0238078, Lieutenant Colonel, U. S. Army, for services from 10 July to 18 December 1943. Entered service from Craig, Colorado.

DONALD H. GALLOWAY, 015161, Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters, VI Corps, for services from January 1943 to April 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from New York.

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I I
Award of Bronze Star Medal II
Award of Legion of Merit (Posthumous) III
Award of Legion of Merit III

I -- 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 officer:

JAMES A. FONTONE, 01294813, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "B", 82d Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near San Stefano Quisquina, Sicily, in July 1943. While reconnoitering routes of advance of the night of 12 July Lieutenant Fontone's platoon came under intense fire from an enemy artillery battery and he immediately engaged the enemy with his self-propelled 37mm and 75mm guns, destroying their position. On the afternoon of the 20th he exposed himself to enemy observation and machine gun fire in order to designate targets and direct fire on enemy artillery emplacements. Taking the enemy by surprise he forced them to retreat and leading his platoon in pursuit, destroying emplaced machine guns which fired upon him as he advanced, he placed his guns in position and shelled the city of San Stefano Quisquina, thus materially aiding the advancing infantry to capture the town.

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 enlisted man for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

MYRON A. CARRIGAN, 20707697, Staff Sergeant, Company "B", 135th Infantry Regiment, for services in North Africa and Italy from 26 April 1943 to 28 October 1943. Next of kin: John H. Carrigan (Father), Buffalo Lake, Minnesota.

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:

HAROLD M. FERGERSON, 37349801, Private First Class, Company "M", 15th Infantry Regiment, for services in Sicily and Italy from 10 July 1943 to 15 March 1944. Entered service from Delta, Colorado.

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SAMMY COOPER, 36211950, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 7th Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy from 20 September 1943 to 1 January 1944. Entered service from Tomah, Wisconsin.

EUGENE M. NOONAN, 35017628, Staff Sergeant, Service Company, 751st Tank Battalion, for services from 18 November 1942 to 18 November 1943. Entered service from Delphos, Ohio.

ODELL TEDROW, 36050584, Staff Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 30th Infantry, for services from 12 January 1943 to 11 March 1944. Entered service from Le Roy, Illinois.

LEON A. SNELLENBERGER, 18017651, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 7th Infantry, for services from 26 June to 18 August 1943. Entered service from Prescott, Arizona.

WALTER W. WEISPFENNING, 37081501, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Headquarters Battery, 39th Field Artillery Battalion, for services from 21 July to 12 November 1943. Entered service from Fredonia, North Dakota.

JOHN D. KYSER, 37067298, Master Sergeant, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment, for services from 15 August to 31 December 1943. Entered service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

FRANK H. SEIFFERT, 6358348, Master Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 601st Tank Destroyer Battalion, for services from 15 November 1942 to 18 November 1943. Entered service from Sackets Harbor, New York.

WILLIAM K. RUSSELL, 02055151, Second Lieutenant (then Master Sergeant), Service Battery, 9th Field Artillery Battalion, for services from 4 September 1943 to 18 November 1943. Entered service from Carthage, Tennessee.

JOEL C. PERKINS, 0403259, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters 30th Infantry Regiment, for services from 19 September 1942 to 12 April 1944. Entered service from Bowling Green, Kentucky.

MARVIN A. KRIEDBERG, 022733, Major, Infantry, Headquarters, 15th Infantry, for services from 15 May to 7 July 1943. Entered service from Bismark, North Dakota.

CLAYTON C. THOBRO, 0401901, Major, Infantry, Headquarters, 7th Infantry Regiment, for services from 10 June 1943 to 4 March 1944. Entered service from Rock Springs, Wyoming.

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Award of Distinguished Flying Cross I
Award of Legion of Merit II

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 personnel:

COLIN HORNE, 1262678, Sergeant Pilot, Royal Air Force, 283d Squadron, for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight in the North African Theater of Operations as pilot of a Walrus type aircraft. On 11 June 1943, while searching for a United States Army Air Force pilot who had parachuted into the sea north of Pantelleria, Sergeant Horne's aircraft was attacked and damaged by three German ME 109 aircraft. Returning to base, he was informed that protection could only be provided as far as the search area because of the fighter plane's limited fuel capacity. Resuming the search without his gunner, Sergeant Horne located and rescued the American pilot, and then, unable to take off due to the extremely rough water, taxied for forty-five minutes without escort to the lee of Pantelleria Island where he was able to take off for a successful flight to his base. His valor and determination in rescuing another pilot in distress reflects great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United Nations.

WALTER STERNE, 75166, Acting Squadron Leader, Royal Air Force, for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight in the North African Theater of Operations as a pilot of a Walrus type aircraft. On 21 June 1943, after two search missions totaling approximately seven hours, Acting Squadron Leader Sterne located and rescued a United States Army Air Force pilot who had been afloat in a dinghy in the Sicilian Straights for more than thirty hours. Skilfully landing and taking off on a rough sea, he returned the stranded pilot to his base. During a six weeks' period, Acting Squadron Leader Sterne's squadron effected the rescue of twenty-three American airmen, all of whom were adrift in the Mediterranean Sea as a result of the destruction of their aircraft in action against the enemy. His outstanding determination, and devotion to duty have reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United Nations.

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II -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, the Legion of Merit is awarded the following named personnel:

EDMOND J. ANDERSEN, 37118955, Master Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from 29 June to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Iowa.

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ARTHUR E. DALES, 32069298, Master Sergeant, Signal Corps, Headquarters, Fifth Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from 16 June to 13 October 1943. Entered service from New Brunswick, New Jersey.

GEORGE A. FOURNIER, 32060570, Master Sergeant, Engineer Headquarters, Fifth Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 15 September to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Newark, New Jersey.

LEROY L. KLETTNER, 35131711, Master Sergeant, Adjutant General's Section, Headquarters, Fifth Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from 4 August to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

PAUL F. LEATHERS, 17045799, Master Sergeant, Artillery Section, Headquarters, Fifth Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from January to October 1943. Entered service from Moberley, Missouri.

CLARENCE E. NIELSEN, 36220227, Master Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant), Quartermaster Section, Headquarters, Fifth Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from 27 July to 13 October 1943. Entered service from Madison, Wisconsin.

METTA L. BAXTER, M687, First Lieutenant, Physical Therapy Aide, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from 8 July to 8 September 1943. Entered service from Manhattan, Kansas.

MATTHEW C. STEWART, 0350495, Major, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from 26 March to 26 August 1943. Entered service from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

JOHNSON HAGOOD, JR., 018452, Lieutenant Colonel, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from 14 June 1943 to 31 January 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from South Carolina.

EDWARD J. O'NEILL, 015952, Colonel, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from 3 August to 13 October 1943. Entered service from St. Albans, Vermont.

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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 postions 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 [illegible] 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 over-lays 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 H. 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 Ratzer, 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 Ratzer spent much of his off duty time in training other enlisted men to become proficient in cryptanalysis. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

MAYS K. WITTEN, 13109645, Master Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 13 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 Witten'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 Ridgefield, New Jersey.

JEPTHA 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 welfare 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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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:

WARREN J. OGG, 36165286, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Battery, 434th AAA AW Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 10 April to 13 May 1943 during the Sedjenane and Mateur phases of the Tunisian Campaign. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Technician Fifth Grade Ogg drove a message center vehicle for his unit in total blackout over rough terrain that was thick with land mines and booby traps. His nightly rounds covered from 100 to 150 miles and were for a duration of eight to ten hours. By his exemplary devotion to duty, keen judgment and foresight, Technician Fifth Grade Ogg delivered all messages promptly and to the proper party. His service was invaluable to his battalion and the batteries of the battalion. Entered service from Lyons, Michigan.

DONALD J. BUSHEY, 32375764, Sergeant, Company "A", 405th Engineer Water Supply Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa and Italy from 20 November 1942 to 13 October 1943. Sergeant Bushey, Water Purification Foreman, through seemingly inexhaustable initiative and ability placed in operation and maintained all types of water purification systems to meet every conceivable need. On several occasions he constructed ingenious hydraulic and water purification devices which resulted in great saving of labor and material, utilizing every opportunity to impart the benefits of his skill to the members of his organization. Entered service from Buffalo, New York.

JAMES WRIGHT, 38017348, Sergeant, Service Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 10 July 1943 to 8 January 1944. As Section Chief of an ammunition platoon, Sergeant Wright made long trips at night over unfamiliar roads in order to maintain a steady supply of ammunition during the fast moving tactical situation in Sicily. During the Italian landings, with only [illegible] man detail and refusing to stop even for sleep, he worked continuously in supplying the demands of the heavy firing schedule, and within one 24 hour period delivered 2,557 rounds from the beach dumps to battery positions. His devotion to duty, aggressiveness and initiative was an inspiring example for those who served with him. Entered service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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FRED J. RECHSTEINER, 32158931, Staff Sergeant, Company "A", 57th Signal Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during December 1943. While continuing to fulfill his duties as a sergeant in charge of a maintenance team, Staff Sergeant Rechsteiner, designed and constructed a modified access terminal as an improvement on existing equipment designed for use in locating faults in the Spiral Four type cable. This apparatus, and the procedure for its use as conceived by Sergeant Rechsteiner, provided a quick and accurate method for isolating cable faults. Over a three month period, when cable damage was unusally high, this procedure resulted in vastly improved service over circuits operated and maintained by his unit. Entered service from Port Elizabeth, New Jersey.

BEN D. SPEARS, 7001621, Staff Sergeant, Battery "A", First Field Artillery Observation Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services near El Guettar, Tunisia, from 26 March to 3 April 1943. As chief of a flash observation party, he maintained aggressive reconnaissance with the forward elements of the Infantry and selected a suitable site for his post, ignoring the dangers of enemy artillery and mine fields. He remained on duty constantly for seven days and nights, with little or no rest, in order to coordinate the action of his observers. By his efforts in securing such a remarkable base, his section was able to locate 19 enemy installations, 13 of which were destroyed by friendly artillery, and coordinate an adjustment of fire which completely destroyed 14 enemy tanks. Entered service from Lexington, North Carolina.

CALVIN LEE, SR., 6519903, Master Sergeant, Service Battery, 2d Battalion, 77th Field Artillery Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 19 February to 15 December 1943. Displaying unusual skill and leadership as Battalion Motor Sergeant, on motor marches from Casablanca to Bizerte, and in action in Sicily and Italy, though his section's work extended at times to third echelon maintenance. Master Sergeant Lee's unceasing efforts kept all vehicles in operation with deadline time at negligible minimum and his ability to utilize parts from wrecked vehicles on the battlefield allowed him to overcome a lack of spare parts and to accomplish necessary repairs in order to keep his vehicles moving during all conditions of weather and terrain. Entered service from Marfa, Texas.

RINO DELLA VEDOVA, 01534710, First Lieutenant, 11th Field Hospital, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during the Sicilian campaign from 10 July to 17 August 1943. As the only administrative officer then assigned to 11th Field Hospital, he performed the duties of Adjutant, Detachment Commander, Supply Officer, Mess Officer and Transportation Officer with tireless devotion to duty and outstanding executive ability. In addition, he organized and directed the numerous and complex changes in the basic makeup of the organization which resulted from the entirely new conception of the function of a field hospital necessitated by the exigencies of the Sicilian campaign. Entered service from Albia, Iowa.

CHARLES ASKINS, 0900433, Captain, (then First Lieutenant), Ordnance, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from December 1942 to 28 August 1943. Although wet, cold and strafed by

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enemy planes, Captain Askins personally repaired and transported a vital ordnance part to an organization in the Medjez El Bab sector in Tunisia. Later, as commanding officer of an Ordnance Evacuation Company in the Gafsa - El Guettar area, on numerous occasions he led recovery parties under heavy bombardment to retrieve damaged tanks and other valuable ordnance materiel. He exploited the potentialities of Ordnance Recovery Units to the fullest, displaying vigor and resourcefulness in his unique and hazardous tasks, which contributed materially to the success of the Allied Forces in Tunisia, and provided a legendary inspiration to all grades for uninterrupted Ordnance service on the battlefield. Entered the service from El Paso, Texas.

BURNS T. BAILEY, 0413842, Captain, Field Artillery, 1st Battalion, 17th Field Artillery, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 15 September 1943 to 15 February 1944. When his battalion entered the Italian combat zone, Captain Bailey, as Battalion S-2, contributed materially to its success by tirelessly training new battalion observers in their duties, and perfecting a standard form of report for the forward observers which greatly increased the speed and completeness of their records. He analyzed and reported results of enemy shelling spending many hours collecting shell fragments for determination of caliber and type of enemy guns, as well as personally interviewing prisoners of war and examining captured documents and materiel. He also spent many hours in aerial photograph interpretation for the aid of liaison pilot observers and fire direction control of his battalion. Entered service from Blitzen, Oregon.

MEADE CORLEY, 0414732, Captain, Quartermaster Corps, 45th Quartermaster Company, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 21 June to 13 October 1943. As Division Quartermaster Supply Officer, in supervising and handling the supply of his division during the Sicilian Campaign through the capture of the Volturno River Line in the Italian Campaign, Captain Corley, by intelligent advanced planning contributed to the successful landings of the units of his division in Sicily and later in Italy. Disregarding personal hardships, danger and illness, Captain Corley, drove long distances day and night for supplies, keeping his supply dumps well forward even though within range of hostile artillery fire. Due to his efforts all requests from units of the division for items of equipment needed during combat were filled in the shortest possible time. Entered service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

SEAMAN A. KNAPP, JR., 0352777, Major, CE, 540th Engineer Regiment, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 15 December 1943 to 17 April 1944. In planning the Anzio landings and coordinating the hetrogeneous group of units which composed the beach group into a huge, hard-hitting landing team, Major Knapp was able to place each man and every piece of equipment into the right landing craft thereby enabling their discharge over the beaches in record time with the minimum of confusion and uncertainty. In addition to setting up dumps, assembly areas, and collecting points, Major Knapp constantly met the demands of the assault troops for priorities in men and material. Later he was charged not only with the entire planning and operation of the beaches, but also with the Harbor of Anzio as well. Under constant shelling and bombing, keeping at his fingertips the

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exact number of ships offshore and their cargoes, he was able to meet the priorities demanded by the front line troops. Through Major Knapp's skill in planning, foresight and ability to coordinate activities both on land and at sea, the supplies on the beach-head increased and multiplied, thus our eventual success assured. Entered service from Lake Charles, Louisiana.

JOHN C. STRICKLAND, 0348468, Major, 249th Quartermaster Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 22 January to 3 March 1944. Despite constant enemy action resulting in numerous casualties, with disregard for personal safety, comfort or rest, his excellent organization of area Quartermaster supply installations and control in directing Quartermaster personnel have created a superior state of morale in Quartermaster troops serving the beach-head area. Major Strickland, by constant presence in areas of hazard, has provided his subordinates with an inspiring symbol of devotion to duty. Entered service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

GRADY S. BROOKS, 0248317, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, 36th Field Artillery, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 9 February 1943 to 4 March 1944. As regimental Executive Officer, Lieutenant Colonel Brooks, by his initiative, coordinated the staff work of the regiment and battalions while they were widely separated during combat in Tunisia. Later, as a successful commander of a battalion throughout the Sicilian and Italian Campaigns, his battalion was chosen to be the first heavy artillery to be used on the Anzio beachhead. His dependable and unselfish devotion to duty contributed greatly to the success enjoyed by his unit and the units supported by his battalion in three campaigns. Entered service from Lyman, South Carolina.

FRANCIS A. GLENN, 0274454, Lieutenant Colonel, 178th Field Artillery Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 17 July to 13 October 1943. Assuming command, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) Glenn, the only field officer of the battalion, successfully led his command in their first major engagement as a separate unit through the Sicilian Campaign and into the Italian Campaign eliciting from all supported units great praise for its ability and efficiency. Though operating with a serious shortage of men and vehicles in the Sicilian Campaign, Lieutenant Colonel Glenn's outstanding professional skill, his inspiring leadership, excellent judgment, contagious enthusiasm and boundless energy were conspicuously superior. His personal character, determination to stand by his convictions and loyalty to duty above and beyond the requirements of office during the Italian Campaign were responsible for the splendid achievements of this command. Entered service from Abbeville, South Carolina.

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I ---- ACTIVATION OF REPLACEMENT COMMAND, NATOUSA

Effective 0001B Hours, 1 June 1944, the Replacement Command, NATOUSA, is activated and assigned to SOS, NATOUSA.

II --- ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMANDING GENERAL, REPLACEMENT COMMAND, NATOUSA

Brigadier General LAWRENCE C. JAYNES, 010540, USA, is announced as Commanding General, Replacement Command, NATOUSA.

III -- REASSIGNMENT OF GROUND REPLACEMENT UNITS

Effective 0001B Hours, 1 June 1944, the Commanding General, SOS, NATOUSA, will relieve all Ground Replacement Units from assignment to Base Sections and will assign them to the Replacement Command, NATOUSA.

IV --- REASSIGNMENT OF AIR REPLACEMENT UNITS

Effective 0001B Hours, 1 June 1944, all Air Replacement Units are relieved from their present assignment and are assigned to the Replacement Command, NATOUSA.

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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:

SCOTTIE H. RUSSELL, 38064143, Staff Sergeant, 431st Separate Coast Artillery Battalion (Antiaircraft), for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 22 December 1942 to 13 May 1943. During extended periods of combat in the Tunisian Campaign, Staff Sergeant Russell, as platoon sergeant, drilled his men in the proper maintenance of equipment and the necessity for camouflage and concealment. Operating in rugged and mountainous terrain sometimes with little protection from enemy artillery fire, Staff Sergeant Russell, by his ingenuity, initiative and courage was always able to maneuver his platoon to well concealed positions where they could offer the best anti-aircraft protection for Infantry troops. Constantly improving the morale of his men by personal example and words of courage while in battle, and providing recreational equipment for his men during rest periods between battles, Staff Sergeant Russell made an outstanding contribution to the success of his unit. Entered service from Post, Texas.

FLOYD H. DIEHL, 0347104, First Lieutenant, 431st Coast Artillery Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 22 November 1942 to 13 May 1943. Hampered by the loss of the major part of his signal equipment enroute to North Africa, and with little previous experience, Lieutenant Diehl, by intense study and application, trained his battalion communication section, thereby making possible their achievement of superior combat efficiency. By encouraging initiative, and establishing confidence, Lieutenant Diehl maintained communications contact, under extreme adverse battle conditions, throughout the Tunisian Campaign. Working under intense enemy fire and through unexplored mined areas, his devotion to duty beyond that ordinarily required has been emulated by the men under his command. Entered service from Meadville, Pennsylvania.

JUDSON HALLOCK, 0725151, Captain, (then Second Lieutenant), Headquarters, 82d Fighter Group, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 2 February to 5 October 1943. Serving as Group Operations Officer, Captain Hallock, while stationed in North Africa and Sicily, worked night and day with unremitting energy in carefully planning and coordinating more than four hundred aerial combat missions. Operating with flying personnel and a skeleton ground staff under most adverse conditions at a forward base in Sicily during the Fifth Army landings at Salerno, Italy, Captain Hallock's unusual proficiency in operations was responsible to an important degree for the Group's outstanding success in protecting allied convoys

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and ground troops, and in disrupting enemy forces and communications. Entered service from Brea, California.

PHILIP K. HILLS, 0905481, Major, Air Corps, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services rendered from 18 November 1942 to 7 March 1943. As advance Liaison Officer, 1st Air Service Area Command (Sp), Major Hills achieved unparalleled successes in obtaining critically needed space and facilities for Air Force Headquarters and installations in this theater, thus enabling them to maintain optimum operational efficiency. Such procurement was accomplished under extremely adverse conditions which called for outstanding professional and diplomatic ability in his dealings with military and civilian authorities. Major Hills' remarkable tact, initiative, and spirit of cooperation enabled him to obtain results which were of lasting benefit to this Command and to all the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered service from Birmingham, Michigan.

PAUL S. LAWRENCE, 0211619, Lieutenant Colonel, 52d Quartermaster Truck Battalion (DUKWS), for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 14 March to 13 October 1943. As the Commanding Officer of the 2636th Quartermaster Truck Battalion and the 52d Quartermaster Truck Battalion (DUKWS), he constantly displayed exceptional leadership and great organizational ability. By sound planning and untiring efforts, he fostered in the officers and men of his command an "esprit de corps" that has enabled them to perform record movements of personnel and supplies under battle conditions and in the rear areas. The high standards established by the Battalion as a unit in Algeria, Tunisia, Sicily and Italy are due largely to the enthusiastic initiative and energy of Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence in accomplishing a good job when the difficulties were the hardest. The high operating efficiency of amphibious vehicles (DUKWS) during the landings in Sicily and Italy are a tribute to his leadership. Entered service from Valley Stream, Long Island, New York.

FREDERICK C. LOUGH, 021113, Lieutenant Colonel, Signal Corps, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from November 1942 to 29 February 1944. Lieutenant Colonel Lough was responsible for perfecting new techniques and procedures and of coordinating American operating practices with those of our British Allies. He was particularly successful in devising staff procedures which enabled Allied Force signal services in North Africa to function with commendable efficiency, and further demonstrated his superior ability in organizing and commanding troops. In Italy he displayed a very high degree of professional skill and leadership in organizing and supervising the signal communication agencies of the Fifth Army Command Post. Entered United States Military Academy from Massachusetts.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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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:

WILLIAM H. McCOLLUM, 6395325, Staff Sergeant, Battery "C", 36th Field Artillery Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from November 1942 to December 1943. As battery Mess Sergeant, he contrived ways and means of making food tasty and appealing, while his unit was operating under the most adverse battle conditions. At a time when bread was not available for issue, he located a bakery, arranged for its use, and supplied bread and pastries for the entire regiment. In addition to his other duties, he designed novel carrying racks for the section trailers, thereby increasing the capacity for all his essential equipment. By his initiative and achievements, he gained the highest praise of the officers and men of his battery. Entered service from Sever Springs, North Carolina.

CHARLES W. EVANS, JR., 33119578, Technical 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 personnel sergeant and chief clerk, Sergeant Evans, in addition to his regular duties, assisted in training inexperienced men to assume administrative duties in a newly organized Ranger force many times the size of his battalion. During operations in Sicily and Italy, the number of troops under the administrative and tactical control of his battalion varied up to twenty times the normal strength. Sergeant Evans' adaptability to changing conditions, his ability to plan and to direct those under him resulted in prompt and efficient handling of the work and contributed to the efficient operation of Ranger units in the theater. Entered service from Richmond, Virginia.

FRED E. KINZLER, 13004741, Master Sergeant, 991st Ordnance HM Company (Tank), for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as shop foreman of an Ordnance Heavy Maintenance Tank Company during the period 13 January 1943 to 16 January 1944. Master Sergeant Kinzler performed his assigned duties with an efficiency conspicuously above the usual, often handicapped by a lack of stock and necessary tools. His initiative and resourcefulness in repairing fuel pumps at a time of great shortage enabled fifteen Medium Tanks to be ready for participation in the battle for Sbeitla during January 1943. Master Sergeant Kinzler designed and supervised production of biped mounts and shoulder rests for caliber .30 air-cooled ground machine guns which have proven themselves in actual combat. Entered service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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WINSTON C. LOCKABEY, 6284029, First Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 77th Field Artillery Group, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 6 January 1942 to 24 February 1944. Displaying unusual skill and leadership as Motor Sergeant, he performed maintenance far beyond the normal functions of his section, including second and third echelon battalion functions and maintenance. Sergeant Lockabey frequently acted as Battery Motor Officer as well as Motor Sergeant when his organization made motor marches across North Africa and through Sicily on to the Italian front. His ability to improvise and utilize parts from wrecked vehicles on the battle field allowed him to overcome problems created by a lack of supplies, tools and spare parts and to succeed in keeping his vehicles moving at all times while working under adverse battle conditions. Entered service from Belton, Texas.

LEE W. POPPLE, 02046550, Second Lieutenant, CE, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 10 December 1942 to 12 December 1943. While a Master Sergeant at Oran, Algeria, he personally designed and supervised the erection of a vital ordnance repair shop in record time. Later, as a platoon officer in charge of road and bridge maintenance and construction in Sicily for British 8th Army movements and in support of American Corps troops in Italy, he worked from daybreak until after darkness over difficult terrain and under hazardous conditions. Exhibiting great technical ability and serious application of his talents to the work at hand, he elicited the respect and admiration of the members of his organization. Entered service from Crown Point, Indiana.

CARLOS C. ALDEN, JR., 0381690, Captain, Medical Corps, 509th Parachute Infantry Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 8 November 1942 to 13 October 1943. After the initial parachute landings near Oran and later in Youks Les Bain, Algeria, Captain Alden, Battalion Surgeon, performed untiringly in the evacuation of the wounded. During three campaigns his great professional skill, and gallant actions often at the risk of his life, have inspired his battalion, and greatly enhanced its combat efficiency. Captain Alden further earned the sincere admiration and gratitude of the British and French Medical Corps by his willingness to exchange ideas and to assist in solving the seemingly insurmountable problems which confront parachute aidmen. Entered service from Buffalo, New York.

SIDNEY G. HARDEMAN, 01101020, Captain, CE, 540th Engineer Regiment, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 16 December 1943 to 7 February 1944 in planning for and the establishment of a system of supply during the Anzio landings. Working in close conjunction with the military police, the shore engineers, and with the trucking and DUKW units, he masterfully coordinated their respective missions into an efficient well-organized team. Maintaining close liaison with all the ships being unloaded, their cargoes, and inaugurating a system of checking all supplies being unloaded, Captain Hardeman was able to keep a comprehensive inventory of all supplies, and promptly meet all requests and demands for equipment and supplies on the beachhead. His exceptional planning and foresight in establishing a system of supply on the beachhead materially aided in the success of the Anzio landings. Entered service from Grand Island, Nebraska.

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STANLEY J. KREKELER, 0407179, Captain, Field Artillery, 91st Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa and Italy from 15 February 1943 to 21 March 1944. By his thorough knowledge of the vehicular maintenance requirements of an Armored Field Artillery battalion, Captain Krekeler trained a maintenance section that performed services far beyond the ordinary. He ingeniously modified the vehicles of his unit to adapt them to the particular needs of the Field Artillery, thereby immensurably increasing his organization's combat efficiency. Captain Krekeler's accomplishments are in keeping with the highest standards of the armed forces and are of a nature to bring great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

CLAUDE H. MATCHETTE, 0306726, Captain, Field Artillery, 1st Field Artillery Observation Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 4 March 1943 to 5 January 1944. Placed in command of Battery "B", following the loss of many key personnel at Faid Pass, Tunisia, Captain Matchette reorganized the battery, and led it immediately into combat. His ability to successfully overcome seemingly insurmountable obstacles, enabled him to develop an efficient fighting team which returned to battle and gave an outstanding performance at Fondouk, Tunisia. Throughout the Sicilian Campaign, as well as during operations in Italy, Captain Matchette, through his aggressive reconnaissance, many times under enemy fire, enabled his battery to locate approximately 500 enemy installations and direct effective fire upon them. Entered service from Greentown, Indiana.

JAY J. PALMER, 021003, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, 162d Medical Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period 9 September to 14 September 1943. Within one hour of his arrival at the beaches during the initial allied landings in Italy, though subjected to enemy artillery and aerial bombardment, Lieutenant Colonel Palmer's battalion had established beach clearing stations for the treatment of casualties and organized collecting parties to search the beaches for wounded men. He worked with unusual fortitude under most difficult circumstances, and the skill and sympathy with which the wounded men were treated are tributes to the high standard of training and discipline of his command. His courage, efficiency, and unselfish devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered service from California.

HORACE L. REYNOLDS, 0243513, Lieutenant Colonel, SC, Headquarters, 6665th Base Area Group, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 24 August to 13 October 1943. Upon the arrival of his unit in Naples, Lieutenant Colonel Reynolds immediately caused temporary telephone communication to be installed, then, assuming control of the badly damaged civilian telephone system, and by the application of sound planning and technical knowledge, he was able to effect its rehabilitation. The rapid provision of adequate and reliable telephone communication in this devastated area contributed in great measure to the speedy organization of the base and enabled its mission to be accomplished with much greater efficiency than had been anticipated. Entered service from Dallas, Texas.

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Amendment of General Orders I
Rescission of General Orders II
Award of Distinguished Flying Cross (Posthumous) III
Award of Distinguished Flying Cross IV
Award of Air Medal V
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Award of Legion of Merit VII

I -- AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS

So much of Section IV, NATOUSA General Orders Number 33, 1944, as pertains to James O. Moore, 01543262, 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. 3516 G.
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

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, 0499013, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over North African and Italy from 19 March 1943 to 19 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, 0804626, 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. Elenor 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, 32191212, 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.

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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 oustanding 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 unequaled 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.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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Award of Purple Heart I
Award of Oak Leaf Cluster to Purple Heart II

I -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

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

EURER L. ADKINS, 34285621, Private
DAVID R. BATSON, 13051169, Private
JOHN F. BRZEZINSKI, 36044139, Private
D. D. BURGESS, 32379290, Private
WAYNE R. CHEW, 33153601, Private
EVERETTE W. COLLINS, 15053986, Private
ROBERT L. COOK, 35263234, Private
JOHN W. COTTON, 34230048, Private
HAROLD L. FRYE, 36153936, Private
PAUL C. HAGER, 34300672, Private
DANIEL M. HAYES, 34259110, Private
MIKE L. HEILMAN, 37095733, Private
JOE M. HIGUERA, 39858349, Private
JOHN KOONTZ, 35036660, Private
CHARLES J. MAHONEY, 32162220, Private
GUSTAVE NICOLOSI, 32106474, Private
LEONARD G. NOWAK, 36121921, Private
FRANCIS D. NUGENT, 37436656, Private
ANTHONY PORCELLI, 31179358, Private
LEON REHL, 32072603, Private
FRANCIS RINALDI, 19083558, Private
WILLIAM H. SANDS, 32267441, Private
JOHN F. TOKARCZYK, 32375618, Private
VERGEL V. VOIGTLANDER, 36653173, Private
WILLIAM C. WEIMER, 20717951, Private
MERVIN F. ZEIGLER, 37128041, Private
ROBERT G. ANDERSON, 39679007, Private First Class
JAMES M. ATCHINSON, 12096106, Private First Class
GESSIE DEL RIO, 2460359, Private First Class
PAUL DILAET, 35615123, Private First Class
DAVID H. GOEHL, 36044042, Private First Class
ROY GRAY, 15045510, Private First Class
CARLTON E. LEWIS, 36116930, Private First Class
VINCENT W. McDONOUGH, 12011637, Private First Class
GEORGE O. MAYBURY, 31069444, Private First Class

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NEWTON T. MOORE, 32001466, Private First Class
EDWARD N. MOTYKOWSKI, 37072004, Private First Class
JAMES E. PATTERSON, JR., 14030130, Private First Class
JAMES A. ROBERTS, 38051531, Private First Class
JOHN F. ROTHERNICH, 17006894, Private First Class
JOSEPH J. SKODA, 33146667, Private First Class
JEROME H. STEINBERG, 12021431, Private First Class
CARLYLE L. THURSTON, 12023436, Private First Class
PETER WALTERS, 12059714, Private First Class
WILLIAM H. SHEAN, 31045051, Technician Fifth Grade
BERTIL B. SVENSON, 37024834, Technician Fifth Grade
MARION E. WHEATLEY, 36127453, Technician Fifth Grade
CLIFFORD M. CONNER, 39676389, Corporal
FRANK S. EMETERIO, 6906828, Corporal
HAROLD O. FARRELL, 32043834, Corporal
STANLEY A. MACIEISKI, 36306784, Corporal
WILLIAM C. SLATER, 37035735, Corporal
CHARLES F. SWANSON, 36225303, Technician Fourth Grade
NORMAN K. WALKER, 15046060, Technician Fourth Grade
JOHN R. BELL, 6693775, Sergeant
HUGH K. FARRINGTON, 15058967, Sergeant
GEORGE D. RICE, 20705381, Sergeant
FRANK L. BATTERSON, 39171219, Staff Sergeant
CHARLES R. RUMMEL, 20869229, Technical Sergeant

II -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named individuals for wounds received as the result of enemy action:

EDUARDO PEREZ, 39084925, Private
MILTON D. ROBERTSON, 16135794, Private First Class

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Award of Bronze Star Medal I
Award of Purple Heart II
Award of Soldier's Medal III
Award of Legion of Merit IV

I -- 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 officer:

MAXELL A. McCULLOCH, 0385723, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "G", 18th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Medjez el Bab, El Guettar and Kateur, Tunisia, from December 1942 to May 1943. Entered service from Arlington, New Jersey.

II -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

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

HUBER E. MIGLIOLI, 31325324, Private First Class, 2677th Headquarters Company OSS (Provisional), Italy, 3 April 1944.

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 men:

JAMES A. VICK, 33079984, Private, Railway Operating Battalion, for heroism on 24 April 1944 at Naples, Italy. During an air raid Private Vick, although suffering from painful face wounds which considerably impaired his vision, voluntarily and at great personal risk exposed himself to further possible injury from antiaircraft shell fragments and enemy bombs, to summon necessary medical aid for a seriously wounded enlisted man. The prompt and gallant action of Private Vick reflects the highest credit on himself and the military service. Entered service from Houston, Texas.

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 officers:

HAROLD L. SKEEN, JR., W2100300, Warrant Officer (jg), G-3 Section, Allied Force Headquarters, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 26 August 1942 to 28 April 1944. As confidential

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stenographer and later Chief Clerk of the G-3 Section, Allied Force Headquarters in North Africa, Warrant Officer Skeen was entrusted with work of the most secret nature dealing with plans and operations for combat in North Africa, Sicily, and Italy. By his efficiency, accuracy, and unfailing devotion to duty, he perfected an administrative system competent to meet the unusual demands of his section, and won the admiration of all nationalities with whom he came in contact. His outstanding work was a major contribution to the internal operations of the G-3 Section. Entered service from Rogersford, Pennsylvania.

TOM S. BRAND, 07123, Colonel, Inspector General's Department, Headquarters Mediterranean Base Section, North African Theater of Operations, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 8 December 1942 to 4 February 1944. As Inspector General of a large base section at a time when rapid expansion of the Army made it inevitable that many of the officers and enlisted men would be limited in knowledge and experience in properly administering a military unit, he planned and placed in operation a system of frequent periodic inspections. Due to their constructive nature these inspections fostered a desire for achievement in lower echelons and sharply reduced the amount of administrative control necessary by higher headquarters, thereby adding to the administrative efficiency throughout the command. Entered service from San Antonio, Texas.

ROBERT M. WEBSTER, 011946, Brigadier General, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 7 June 1943 to 8 April 1944. General Webster, in addition to developing one of the most efficient and effective bombardment wings operating in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations, organized the Allied Garrison of Sardinia and was responsible for the successful preparation of Sardinia as an operating base for Allied Forces, the supply and defense of all installations, and the provision of an adequate communications system to serve all tactical units. By a policy of fair treatment, courteous behavior and respect for the rights of the island's population and its agencies, General Webster won the respect and admiration of all Allied personnel and complete cooperation from Italian authorities. Entered service from Washington, D. C.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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6 May 1944.

Designation of Chief Chaplain I
Award of Legion of Merit II

I -- DESIGNATION OF CHIEF CHAPLAIN

In addition to his duties at Headquarters, SOS, NATOUSA, Chaplain (Colonel) MILTON O. BEEBE, 05445, is designated as Chief Chaplain, North African Theater of Operations.

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 officers:

LAWRENCE H. FEIMAN, 0399710, Captain, Medical Corps, Company "A", 47th Armored Medical Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 8 April 1942 to 25 March 1944. Faced with the problems of assuring rapid and efficient medical service for fast moving combat columns, Captain Feiman voluntarily assumed the responsibility of doing basic pioneer work and produced lasting benefits reflected in the treatment of casualties in the field. The wisdom and efficiency of the new techniques and new instruments for medical treatment developed as a consequence of his initiative, ingenuity and untiring efforts were repeatedly demonstrated in the Tunisian and Italian campaigns. Entered service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

LEON E. DOSTERT, 0385457, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 13 November 1942 to 30 March 1944. Arriving in North Africa on 13 November 1942, Colonel Dostert assisted in the conduct of vital negotiations with French authorities which resulted in the military and economic resources of French North Africa being placed at the disposition of the Allied Commander-in-Chief for the combined prosecution of the war against the Axis. From that time onward, Colonel Dostert demonstrated continuous alertness in maintaining liaison and conducting negotiations with French civil and military authorities. By his exceptional knowledge of the French language, his unqualified tact and proven ability as a liaison officer, he contributed materially to the success of operations in North Africa, Corsica, and Italy. Entered service from Washington, D. C.

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MAURICE E. BARKER, 06775, Colonel, Chemical Warfare Service, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 5 January 1943 to 3 May 1944. As Chemical Officer of the Fifth Army from the time of its activation, he displayed exceptional ability in organizing and training the personnel of the Chemical Section, Fifth Army Headquarters, and in directing outstandingly successful schools for both American and French personnel in North Africa. His great initiative and skill resulted in improvements of a number of Chemical Warfare items and in improved methods of waterproofing and packing material. Of particular value to chemical units in the Sicilian and Italian campaigns was his work in connection with waterproofing 4.2" mortar ammunition to eliminate corrosion and consequent malfunctioning. During the Fifth Army's invasion of Italy, Colonel Barker's expert professional knowledge and foresight were invaluable to the successful planning and execution of Chemical Warfare operations. Entered service from Humboldt, Tennessee.

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Change of Title of Chief Finance Officer I
Award of Purple Heart II
Award of Legion of Merit III

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 man 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 C. 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.

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GEORGE S. SMITH, 015308, Colonel, GSC, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 30 May 1943 to 13 October 1943. As Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Headquarters 15th Army Group,

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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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Award of Silver Star I
Award of Bronze Star Medal II
Award of Legion of Merit III

I -- 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 enlisted man:

JAMES T. BOWER, 37375455, Corporal, Medical Department, Company "A", 54th Medical Battalion (Mtz), for gallantry in action on 17-18 December 1943 near San Pietro, Italy. Volunteering for the mission of directing litter bearers in bringing in the wounded from beyond our front lines, Corporal Bower, without regard for his personal safety and forgetting his personal fatigue, directed the evacuation of the wounded, at times in full view of enemy positions, down arduous and difficult mountain trails. His bravery and leadership were an inspiration to his men and materially effected the rapid and efficient evacuation of many seriously wounded patients. Entered service from Shelbyville, Missouri.

II -- 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 enlisted men:

CHARLES E. PESLER, 15068463, Corporal, Medical Department, Company "A", 17th Armored Medical Battalion, for meritorious achievement in connection with operations against the enemy at Anzio, Italy, 5-11 February 1944. Realizing the need for a mechanical appliance for intra-venous therapy, Corporal Pesler, while under fire, on his own initiative and during his off duty hours, constructed out of waste material a practical and essential piece of equipment which proved successful and became an outstanding contribution to the medical department. Entered service from Closplint, Kentucky.

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: 3785

VICTOR J. TOFANY, 0446891, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 18 December 1942 to 16 March 1944. Assigned as Parachute Maintenance Officer of the 463d Parachute Field Artillery, at a time when the dropping of field artillery equipment was still in the experimental state, he designed and tested

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all parachute bundles and equipment containers for the dropping of an artillery battalion. With outstanding leadership, Lieutenant Tofany directed a group of riggers in the preparation and packing of more than 5,000 personnel and equipment chutes which were used without a single malfunction. His precise skill and exactness in the performance of these operations has resulted in his ideas and designs being adopted in the manufacture of crates and containers for subsequent operations and definitely established the practicability of airborne field artillery. Entered service from Rochester, New York.

GEORGE G. DAVIS, 0393872, Captain, Corps of Engineers, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in Italy from 9 September 1943 to 6 December 1943. Commanding Company "B", 16th Armored Engineer Battalion, his skilled accomplishments in conquering seemingly impossible problems of bridging in the face of enemy rifle, machine gun and direct artillery fire were outstanding. Obtaining valuable first hand engineering data while under direct fire, Captain Davis, through his superior leadership, during this period enabled his command to erect 27 forward bridges with a total length of 3620 feet, thus providing three infantry divisions passage across the Sele, Calore, and Volturno Rivers without delay. Entered service from Newark, Ohio.

AARON BRADSHAW, JR., 05290, Brigadier General, (then Colonel), United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 29 September 1942 to 22 July 1943. As Chief of the Antiaircraft Section, Allied Force Headquarters, and later as assistant to the Major General in charge of all antiaircraft and coast defense, General Bradshaw displayed outstanding efficiency and foresight in building a superior antiaircraft defense for the many ports, airfields and other important installations in North Africa, Sicily and Italy. Responsible for perfecting the coordination with the French and British on all antiaircraft matters, he moulded the fine spirit of cooperation with such singular efficiency that the accomplishments of the allied antiaircraft in meeting and punishing all enemy air attacks was a material contribution to the success of the allied nations in the North African Theater of Operations. Entered United States Military Academy from the District of Columbia

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Award of Medal of Honor (Posthumous). I
Award of Legion of Merit II

I -- AWARD OF MEDAL OF HONOR (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, the Medal of Honor was posthumously awarded by the War Department, in the name of Congress to the following named enlisted man:

NICHOLAS MINUE, 36931242, Private, Company A, * * * Armored Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinguishing himself conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at the loss of his life above and beyond the call of duty in action with the enemy on 28 April 1943 in the vicinity of Medjez El Bab, Tunisia. When the advance of the assault elements of Company A, * * * Armored Infantry Regiment, was held up by flanking fire from an enemy machine-gun nest Private Minue voluntarily, alone, and unhesitatingly with complete disregard for his welfare, charged the enemy entrenched position with fixed bayonet. Private Minue assaulted the enemy under a withering machine-gun and rifle fire, killing approximately ten enemy machine gunners and riflemen. After completely destroying this position, Private Minue continued forward, routing enemy riflemen from dug-in positions until he was fatally wounded. The courage, fearlessness, and aggressiveness displayed by Private Minue in the face of inevitable death was unquestionably the factor that gave his company the offensive spirit that was necessary for advancing and driving the enemy from the entire sector. Entered service from Cartaret, New Jersey.

II -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

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

GEORGE C. DROLSHAGEN, 12028750, Staff Sergeant, 86th Fighter Squadron, 79th Fighter Group, Army Air Forces, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service in the joint perfection of an automatic carburetor air filter control assembly for P-40 aircraft from 15 July to 6 August 1943. Sergeant Drolshagen, in conjunction with Staff Sergeant Lloyd T. Good, recognized the need for a method to reduce the entry of foreign particles in the carburetor air intake of P-40 airplane engines, produced an effective automatic carburetor air filter control assembly, accomplishing the work in addition to his regular duties. The invention and installation of this device lengthened the operational life of the aircraft engines. Entered service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

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LLOYD CARTER, R1099890, Master Sergeant, 86th Bombardment Squadron, 47th Bombardment Group (L), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as line chief.

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During the crucial days of the Tunisian Campaign, the Engineering Section was 50 percent below its authorized personnel strength and there was a similar shortage of essential repair and maintenance equipment. Exercising unusual ingenuity and resourcefulness, Sergeant Carter by using parts salvaged from abandoned enemy equipment kept the aircraft of his squadron in a high state of combat efficiency. Repairs were often made on dispersal areas during blackouts and under enemy air attack. Entered service from Whiteley City, Kentucky.

DUDLEY S. M. KIERULFF, 01187496, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), * * * Armored Field Artillery Battalion, Army of the United States. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as an artillery forward observer during the Tunisian and Sicilian campaigns. Lieutenant Kierulff, in his ceaseless, untiring, and courageous efforts to destroy enemy installations, was an inspiration to all with whom he came in contact and was responsible for inflicting severe losses upon the enemy. In Sicily, his deadly direction of artillery fire forced the enemy to evacuate a strong point, and was a decisive factor in breaking the northern German positions around Troina. Entered service from California.

LEROY S. ENGLISH, 0434543, Captain, Air Corps, * * * Antisubmarine Group (Separate Special), United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from August 1942 to June 1943. As chief armorer and armament officer of various commands, he demonstrated strong personal leadership, absolute loyalty, and dependability. On his own initiative Captain English applied his inventive ability to the construction of more effective weapons for use in antisubmarine warfare and to the correction of defects and imperfections in existing materiel thus enabling tactical units to overcome the enemy and contributing to the success of the United States Army Air Forces and our Allies in combatting submarines and hostile aircraft at sea. Entered service from Hampton, Virginia.

HAROLD HORROCKS, 0490029, Captain, Signal Corps, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service at Casablanca, French Morocco, from 1 June to 21 June 1943. As officer in charge of fabricating boxes, packaging, waterproofing, and marking signal supplies for over the beach unloading, Captain Horrocks, by his sound judgment, tireless energy, and close application to duty, was largely responsible for the success with which priority shipments were met and the excellent condition of signal supplies available for elements of the various subtask forces participating in the Sicilian operation from Africa. Entered service from Norristown, Pennsylvania.

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Award of Silver Star I
Award of Legion of Merit II

I -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

EUGENE J. WEINBERGER, 01167683, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant), Field Artillery, Army of the United States. For gallantry in action in the Tunisian and Sicilian campaigns during which time he served as an artillery forward observer for his battalion. Without regard for his personal safety he traveled over strange and difficult terrain and in the absence of roads used pack mules to transport his equipment in order to establish observation posts, numerous times in front of his own lines, from which he brought accurate and deadly artillery fire upon the enemy. Lieutenant Weinberger's courage, calmness, judgment, and devotion to duty were important factors in inflicting heavy casualties and material damage upon the enemy.

II -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

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

HOWARD T. KARBEL, 0452720, Captain, 1st Ranger Battalion, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 1 May to 1 November 1943. As adjutant of the 1st Ranger Battalion his diligence and efficiency were instrumental in accomplishing the difficult job of activating and organizing two other ranger battalions, with no increase in his personal staff. During the Sicilian and Italian campaigns, as ranger force adjutant, Captain Karbel had the task of administering a force of from 3,000 to 9,000 men and officers in different and widely scattered units, but through his infinite attention to detail and his capacity for work, full and accurate reports on personnel questions were available to high headquarters at all times, despite the fact that much of his labor was done under fire in the forward echelon and with his existing staff. Captain Karbel's technical and professional knowledge of his job were important factors in the success of ranger force operations in the campaigns. Entered service from Portland, Oregon.

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CLARENCE E. EYLER, 0196296, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry (General Staff Corps), United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 1 June 1942 to 19 August 1943. As G-4, * * * United States Infantry Division, Colonel Eyler worked tirelessly in planning and executing the Division's move to England in August 1942 in such a superior manner that not a single major supply problem arose. Upon arrival in England, Colonel Eyler immediately began work for the North African invasion.

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His sound judgment, foresight, and superior planning provided the units of the Division adequate supplies and equipment and was a major contribution to its first successful attack on hostile shores. During the 6 months of the Tunisian campaign, Colonel Eymer solved the multitude of supply problems which arose while the Division, continuously in combat, was assigned sectors of 100 miles or more, and supply depots and dumps were at great distances from the front line elements. After the Tunisian campaign, he promptly and efficiently supervised the requipment of the Division, even while he planned the supplies for the Sicilian campaign. The smooth, regular flow of supplies and ammunition from the landing beur to the fall of Messina attest the superior ability of this energetic, determined officer. Entered service from Forrest Hills, New York.

DONALD A. Strch, 05845, Brigadier General, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from 28 March to 16 August 1943. During this period, which included the Battle of El Guettar, the forced march from southern Tunisia to northern Tunisia, the advance from Sedjenane to Bizerte, and the campaign in Sicily from Troina to Randazzo, the manner in which General Strch performed his duties as assistant to the division commander was a model of military proficiency. In every operation his calm, unassuming resolute manner, his sound, unequivocating decisions, and wealth of professional knowledge inspired the confidence, loyalty, and respect of everyone with whom he came in contact. Working in many cases with front line units, aiding in reorganizations, and advising the division commander on tactical matters, he was tireless and conspicuously competent. At El Guettar, he coordinated the attack of the * * * and * * * Infantry Regiments upon Hills 772 and 369. In the Sedjenane-Bizerte campaign, he coordinated the attacks upon Green Hill, Bald Hill, and Djebel Cheniti. In one instance, he directed the operations of a regiment in combat at a time when the regimental commander had been relieved. Arriving upon the scene at a time when the regiment was actively engaged with the enemy, when the tactical situation was most obscure, and when the subordinate commanders were disorganized and ineffective, General Strch assumed control and reorganized the regiment to enable it to press forward in the successful continuation of its mission. Entered service from Washington, D. C.

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Rescission of General Order I
Award of Bronze Star Medal (Posthumous) II
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I -- RESCISSION OF GENERAL ORDER

1. Sections I, II, and III, General Order Number 16, this headquarters, as, 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, 19th 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.

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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-975EC1 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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Announcement of Assignment of Secretary, General Staff I
Award of Legion of Merit (Oak Leaf Cluster) II
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Award of Legion of Merit IV

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 arducus 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, 31067419, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 727th Railway Operating Buttalion, 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 ir 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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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 personnel:

HENRY F. DRAWDY, 34098670, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 26th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Gusseltin Valley, Tunisia from 25 January 1943 to 10 February 1943 and at Gafsa and El Guettar, Tunisia from 17 March 1943 to 10 April 1943. Entered service from Waterboro, South Carolina.

HARRY HARTMAN, 6668816, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", 18th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Medjez el Bab, Tunisia from December 1942 to February 1943 and at El Guettar and Matour, Tunisia from March 1943 to May 1943. Entered service from Lewisburg, Ohio.

GEORGE E. VAUGHN, 20508282, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 16th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Troina, Sicily on 3-6 August 1943. Entered service from Manchester, Ohio.

WILLIAM A. BONDS, 34162125, Technician Fifth Grade, Seventh Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at El Guettar, Tunisia from 17 February 1943 to 23 March 1943. Entered service from Addison, Alabama.

VERNON F. JORDAN, 12021968, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company "F", 16th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Troina, Sicily on 3-6 August 1943. Entered service from Camden, Tennessee.

KERMIT B. BLANKENSHIP, 13015714, Corporal, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "E", 16th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Troina, Sicily on 1-6 August 1943. Entered service from Cedar Bluff, Virginia.

RICHARD T. ZEFELDT, 36306471, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 32d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Medjez el Bab, Tunisia from 23 December 1942 to 12 February 1943. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

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JOHN H. HILL, 12022726, Sergeant, Company "E", 18th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Medjez el Bab, Tunisia from December 1942 to March 1943 and at El Guettar and Mateur, Tunisia from March 1943 to May 1943. Entered service from Union Springs, New York.

WILLIAM A. YOUNG, 6846811, Sergeant, Company "F", 18th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at El Guettar, Tunisia, on 10 April 1943. Entered service from Crozet, Virginia.

AUDREY CARTER, 6289610, Staff Sergeant, Company "E", 18th Infantry Regiment, for heroic 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 Jasper, Texas.

JOSEPH I. NADEAU, 6135428, Staff Sergeant, Cavalry, First Reconnaissance Troop, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Kasserine Pass and Gafsa, Tunisia, from 6 January 1943 to 10 May 1943. Entered service from Fall River, Massachusetts.

JOHN RICHTER, 6974196, Staff Sergeant, Company "F", 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 New York, New York.

HERBERT W. MERRILL, 3146901, First Sergeant, Company "F", 18th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Djebel Berda, Tunisia on 23-27 March 1943. Entered service from East Concord, New Hampshire.

GEORGE D. PIKE, 31013923, First Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), Company "G", 26th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Ousseltia Valley and Kairouan Pass, Tunisia from 25 January 1943 to 10 February 1943. Entered service from Groveton, New Hampshire.

ELMER C. KILLENE, JR., 0205174, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, (then Staff Sergeant), Headquarters, Second Battalion, 26th Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Beja, Tunisia on 23 April 1943. Entered service from Silvertown, Ohio.

MAXWELL A. McCULLOCH, 0885723, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "C", 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 Arlington, New Jersey.

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Award of Medal of Honor I
Award of Bronze Star Medal II
Award of Legion of Merit III

I -- AWARD OF MEDAL OF HONOR

By direction of the President, the Medal of Honor was awarded by the War Department, in the name of Congress to the following named officer:

MAURICE L. BRITT, 0410196, Captain, (then First Lieutenant), commander, Company L, *** Infantry, United States Army. For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his own life above and beyond the call of duty. Disdaining enemy hand grenades and close range machine pistol, machine gun, and rifle fire, Lieutenant Britt inspired and led a handful of his men in repelling a bitter counterattack by approximately 100 Germans against his company positions north of Mignano, Italy, the morning of 10 November 1943. During the intense fire fight, Lieutenant Britt's canteen and field glasses were shattered; a bullet pierced his side; his chest, face, and hands were covered with grenade wounds. Despite his wounds, for which he refused to accept medical attention until ordered to do so by his battalion commander following the battle, he personally killed five and wounded an unknown number of Germans, wiped out one enemy machine-gun crew, fired five clips of carbine and an undetermined amount of M1 rifle ammunition, and threw 32 fragmentation grenades. His bold, aggressive actions, utterly disregarding superior enemy numbers, resulted in capture of four Germans, two of them wounded, and enabled several captured Americans to escape. Lieutenant Britt's undaunted courage and prowess in arms were largely responsible for repulsing a German counter-attack, which, if successful, would have isolated his battalion and destroyed his company. Entered service from Lone Oak, Arkansas.

II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, the Bronze Star Medal was awarded by the War Department to the following named enlisted man:

JAMES W. DUWALL, 13010492, First Sergeant, (then Technical Sergeant), *** Ordnance Ammunition Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 November 1942 to 13 May 1943. Sergeant Duwall was in charge of one section of the Magazine Platoon of the *** Ordnance Ammunition Company throughout the Tunisian campaign. His section was consistently the foremost in performance and dependability in the handling of ammunition. As senior noncommissioned officer in various detachments he actively supervised the storage and issue of ammunition to the combat troops and took care of numerous administrative details as well. One detachment at Gafsa handled an average of about 40 tons of ammunition per man during the period 230001 to 240600 March 1943 to relieve an ammunition shortage and enable combat troops successfully to repulse a strong enemy attack.

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Sergeant Duvall actively and efficiently controlled the small number of men at his disposal so as to expedite operations despite the abnormally large amount of ammunition handled. At all times he displayed superior qualities of initiative, good judgment, leadership, and devotion to duty. He was constantly on the alert for better methods of operation, and his efforts and example contributed greatly to the supply of ammunition direct to combat troops. Entered service from Belle Vernon, 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 officers:

THOMAS O. MATHEWS, 01533853, Captain, (then First Lieutenant), Medical Administrative Corps, *** Evacuation Hospital, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service, exhibiting courage, fidelity, and resourcefulness from 11 to 18 September 1943 during the initial phases of the installation of the hospital. With a bare minimum of transportation at his disposal he efficiently and expeditiously directed the transportation of the hospital equipment from the landing beaches while under bombardment from the air. During blackout and frequent exposure to shell fragments from antiaircraft fire he worked ceaselessly for 4 successive days and nights directing the enlisted personnel of the detachment in the erection and installation of the hospital. His tireless efforts after the erection of the hospital in directing the maintenance of the installation and its equipment and his contribution to the high standard of efficiency and morale in the organization during this period of stress greatly aided the commanding officer in the successful administration of the unit. Entered service from Agleton, Texas.

HAROLD V. MOSBY, 0280385, Captain, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as regimental mine officer, Headquarters *** Engineers (CS), from 20 April to 20 September 1943. Displaying outstanding zeal and initiative Captain Mosby acquired expert knowledge of mine warfare and demolitions by sound basic experience in clearing enemy mine fields, railway tunnels and trackage, and booby traps. He produced a comprehensive compendium on mines and mine warfare which was widely acclaimed throughout the North African theater as the most valuable and thorough compilation yet produced. Captain Mosby personally assembled a complete collection of allied and enemy mines and demolition equipment and delivered informative lectures involving live demonstrations and outline of training programs to organizations, both British and United States. His sound practical and technical knowledge in mine warfare acquired by an inexhaustible interest and energy in field and document research and inspired by a high sense of duty has been of great value to the service. Entered service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

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

JOHN R. JONES, 36171694, Technician Fifth Grade, ** Signal Repair Company, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service at Tripoli, Tripolitania, from February to July 1943. Supplies were unloaded from the ships in great disorder because of the heavy bombing raids during this period. Working day and night with utter disregard for his safety Technician Jones helped segregate the supplies from the debris after each bombing raid, subsequently arranging for their early transportation from the docks. He devised and supervised a plan for the establishment of a warehouse to receive and store supplies destined for United States forces. Working in close liaison with the British, Technician Jones made contacts with the port authorities who were in control of the Tripoli area, and because of his personal qualifications a better understanding and mutual working agreement were reached with our Allies which helped to expedite the forwarding of supplies to combat troops.

JOHN M. LEE, 34117611, Staff Sergeant, ** Fighter Bomber Squadron, ** Fighter Bomber Group, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from 7 July to 1 August 1943 at Korba South, North Africa. During this period it was impossible to secure tail wheel tires for aircraft of the ** Fighter Bomber Squadron which were being grounded daily. This situation was seriously affecting the operational efficiency of the unit. Sergeant Lee, through ceaseless effort and searching, located a hidden supply of German tail wheel tires, although not the same size as needed by our airplanes. In a very short time he designed an adapter which made possible the use of all available German tires. Through his initiative and devotion to duty grounded airplanes were put on an operational basis, as well as all airplanes in the ** Fighter Bomber Group which had been grounded for the same reason. The successful operations of this squadron and also the group as a whole during the days of Pantelleria and early part of the Sicilian campaign were in a large measure due to the untiring efforts of this enlisted man. Entered service from Woodland, North Carolina.

JULIUS D. RASMUSSEN, 36179145, Staff Sergeant, ** Bombardment Squadron (Dive), Headquarters Bombardment Training Center, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period 8 August 1942 to 1 October 1943 as squadron welder. Through enterprise and ingenuity Sergeant Rasmussen devised and constructed a welding cart, a welding forge, and a power hoist. The use of this equipment greatly simplified the repair of airplanes and materially reduced the time required for repairs. Entered service from Utica, Michigan.

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JOSEPH R. HAILON, 6697681, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, ** Bombardment Squadron, ** Bombardment Group (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service. As armament chief of his heavy bombardment squadron for over 16 months, his technical ability and capacity for leadership have proved of outstanding value to his squadron and his group in training and in combat operations under difficult conditions. Beyond his superior performance of his assigned duty, he has contributed to the success of his unit and to the reputation of the armed forces by his assistance in the improvisation of a forward-firing nose gun at a time when such gun was sorely needed in B-17 operations and by his performance as an armament instructor for a newly formed French air force. His excellent performance, both in the European and the North African theaters, his technical ability, his cheerful willingness to perform any duty required, and his leadership have been an inspiration to his men and to his officers. Entered service from Easton, Pennsylvania.

NORMAN A. DENNY, 01306709, First Lieutenant, Infantry, ** Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the Sicilian campaign and the invasion of Italy from 10 July to 17 October 1943. As communication officer, Lieutenant Denny was responsible for the maintenance of channels of communication for his battalion at all times. He consistently led the wire section forward through dangerously exposed areas under all types of enemy fire to the most advanced observation posts. During the forward progress of the battalion, he established and maintained communications over difficult and mountainous terrain with such efficiency that even the most remote parts of the battalion had communications. When the inevitable breaks in wire resulted from enemy action, they were swiftly and efficiently repaired. Lieutenant Denny's ceaseless efforts and determined leadership resulted in continuous maintenance of wire communications, facilitated battalion control, and was undoubtedly a major contributing factor in the success of his organization. Entered military service from Ogdensburg, New York.

ROGER L. CUTTERMAN, 01030247, First Lieutenant (then second lieutenant) ** Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service. He designed and perfected a means of mounting an 81-mm mortar on a 1/4 ton truck so that it could be fired from the vehicle or be quickly removed and fired from the ground. This mount proved highly effective in action near Salerno, Italy. Entered military service from Jackson Heights, New York.

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Award of Distinguished Service Cross.....I
Award of Silver Star.....II
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I - AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, the Distinguished Service Cross was awarded by the Theater Commander to each of the following named officers:

OTTO W. CLEMENS, 01300761, First Lieutenant, Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on 11 July 1943 near Gela, Sicily. Observing an abandoned anti-tank gun in an exposed position, Lieutenant Clemens, refusing to order a subordinate to almost certain death, raced across two hundred yards of shell-swept ground, seized the gun, swung it into position, and proceeded to open destructive fire upon the enemy. Lieutenant Clemens fired and reloaded in the face of concentrated enemy artillery and machine gun attack, and stopped at one time only long enough to field strip the block of his weapon when it jammed. In the face of determined enemy attempts to silence him, his efforts proved to be an important factor in enabling the battalion to repel the enemy attack. Entered service from El Monte, California.

EDMUND F. DRISCOLL, 024512, Major, Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on 11 July 1943 at Niscemi, Sicily. Assuming command of a battalion disorganized through the loss of its former leader and pinned down by intense enemy infantry fire and fire from tanks which had overrun its position, Major Driscoll, having no communications between companies, completely ignored his own safety by going to each company, contacting its officers to develop a plan of counterattack. Reorganized and inspired by his calmness and compelling leadership, the battalion launched a counterattack, and in a bitter hand to hand struggle successfully accomplished the mission and went on to take the regimental objective. The superior tactical skill and exceptional heroism displayed by Major Driscoll at a time when defeat was imminent, enabled the unit to develop an offensive that repelled the enemy with severe losses. Entered service from Malverne, New York.

CHARLES T. HORNER, JR, 023530, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on 29 July 1943 near Troina, Sicily. On at least two occasions during the battle for the city of Troina, by his magnificent personal leadership and incomparable bravery, he inspired and rallied the members of his command so that they were enabled to seize and retain their hard won objectives. In the final assault on the city, Lieutenant Colonel Horner, with rifle in hand, personally led his men up the towering sides of the mountain guarding this bristling fortress and in the heat of the savage battle for the city, so inspired his men by his example of bravery that they pressed on in

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the face of tremendous odds to take their final objective and enter the city with Lieutenant Colonel Horner at the front of his battalion. Entered service from Pennsylvania.

II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, the Silver Star was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named enlisted man.

RICHARD ROBERTS, 13013689, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, for gallantry in action on 11 July 1943 near Niscemi, Sicily. When his battalion was subjected to a fierce and concentrated attack by enemy tanks closely supported by foot troops armed with automatic arms, Sergeant Roberts directed the fire of his 37mm gun at the rapidly advancing enemy. Though severely wounded, Sergeant Roberts remained by his gun and continued firing until his piece was disabled by a direct hit from enemy tanks. Wounded, and with his gun out of action, he then ran to the assistance of another anti-tank gun squad, where he continued to fight until the enemy was forced to withdrew with severe losses. Entered service from Norton, Virginia.

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:

LEO F. DAHL, 018699, Colonel, Air Corps, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service. Between August and November 1942, Colonel Dahl, as a division chief in the Weather Directorate, Washington, D. C. was charged with providing the weather service for the forthcoming operations in the North African theater. Proceeding to the United Kingdom in September 1942, his research, organization, and planning for forecasts and observations for ocean convoys departing both from the United States and the United Kingdom, were consummated with utmost precision. Returning to the United States in October, he assembled and equipped the echelon in the United States in time to sail with the convoy to North Africa. As a result of his planning, all commands were provided with the best available information on surf conditions on the assault beaches, and for air and ground operations immediately after the landings. Colonel Dahl's high professional attainments, organizational ability, and untiring efforts contributed in a large measure to the success of the Northwest African Air Forces in their operations. Entered United States Military Academy from Minnesota.

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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:

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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, 13179140, Technical Sergeant, Army of the United States, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during the period 1 July 1942 to 13 October 1943. Technical Sergeant Chaney exhibited conspicuous determination and ingenuity in establishing, operating and maintaining the quarters and mess of the Commanding General, Fifth Army and official guests. Assuming complete responsibility for arrangements for billeting of high military and civilian officials and for their personal needs, he freed them from the cares of detail and thereby enabled them to devote undivided attention to matters of great importance. Under varying conditions, often in the field under bombardment, Technical Sergeant Chaney always calmly adapted himself and performed with a maximum of effectiveness and efficiency.

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,

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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 9 March 1942 to 28 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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Organization of Base Planning Group I
Award of Soldier's Medal (Posthumous) II
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I -- ORGANIZATION OF BASE PLANNING GROUP

Effective 1 April 1944, the Base Planning Group is organized and assigned to Headquarters, SOS, NATOUSA.

II -- 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:

WILLIAM R. S. JONES, 0519049, Second Lieutenant, *** Engineer Petroleum Distribution Unit Operating Detachment, United States Army. For heroism on 25 July 1943, at Condo-Smendou, Algeria. Lieutenant Jones voluntarily went down into a 40-foot vertical mine shaft, knowing that in all probability it contained poisonous gas at the bottom, and attempted to rescue a French civilian. Disregarding his own safety, he hastily put on a gas mask, removed the only rope available from his vehicle, tied one end of it about himself, was lowered to the bottom of the shaft, untied the rope, fastened it about the civilian, was overcome by carbon monoxide gas, and died before he could be removed from the shaft. Next of kin: Mrs. Marjorie H. Jones, 238 Prospect Street, Shreveport, Louisiana.

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 men of the *** Engineer Combat Regiment United States Army, for heroism on 21 October 1943 at Naples, Italy:

LELAND R. GRAY, 37257892, Private. Entered service from Nebraska City, Nebraska.

VITO SACCENTE, 32108352, Private. Entered service from Jamaica, New York.

JAMES F. PRESSON, 34035662, Private First Class. Entered service from Monroe, North Carolina.

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KENNETH L. SERVANT, 36408903, Private First Class. Entered service from Iron Mountain, Michigan.

MELVIN A. LIPSET, 32577748, Corporal. Entered service from Schenectady, New York.

FRANK R. ANDERSON, 37273208, Sergeant. Entered service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

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Following an air raid, these men discovered that an air raid shelter full of civilians had received a direct bomb hit. The shelter was full of carbon monoxide gas from the explosion, but without thought of their own safety and at great personal risk, these men at once began rescue work and succeeded in bringing out 11 dead and 21 injured before they themselves became gas casualties and were removed to the hospital. The prompt and heroic action of these men reflects the highest credit on themselves and the military service.

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 officer:

JOSEPH E. BASTION, JR., 013182, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 15 August 1942 to 7 January 1944 as Assistant Secretary, General Staff, Allied Force Headquarters. Lieutenant Colonel Bastion joined Allied Force Headquarters soon after its activation and exhibited unusual devotion to duty above that required for the discharge of his responsible functions. He made vital contributions in organizing and perfecting effective staff procedures in the expanding headquarters and personally handled matters of the most secret nature. His inexhaustible energy, initiative and sound judgment have been an inspiration to those who worked with him, and have reflected great credit to the military service. Entered United States Military Academy from District of Columbia.

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 enlisted man:

CHARLES R. BLAZEK, 37241471, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), G-3 Section, Fifth Army, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during the period 14 January to 27 August 1943. As chief clerk, S-3 Section, Fifth Army Invasion Training Center, Sergeant Blazek demonstrated marked administrative ability and skill in the performance of his duties. During the period when the Fifth Army Invasion Training Center was being established, and later when four combat teams were being trained simultaneously, Sergeant Blazek constantly performed highly important clerical and drafting work with such consummate skill that he contributed importantly to the efficiency of his section. His knowledge and devotion to duty proved invaluable to the new chief of the S-3 Section, when replacement became necessary. By his superior work in preparing schedules, charts, and card tables for combat team training at the center, Sergeant Blazek contributed materially to the invasion of Sicily and Italy, in which many of these units took part. Entered service from Chelsea, Iowa.

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Award of Soldier's Medal (Posthumous) I
Award of Soldier's Medal II

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 man:

JOSEPH P. KENNEDY, 37262404, Private, Military Railway Service, for heroism on 25 February 1944 at Nola, 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 Pool, 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 Carbonneau, 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 Carbonneau 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 Strathan, New Hampshire.

SALVATORE DISCLAFANI, 32207204, 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., 0586436, First Lieutenant, Company B, *** Port Battalion, Transportation Corps, United States Army. For heroism on 23 September 1943, at Pouisseville, 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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AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

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

DOM P. RUFF, JR., 38001538, Staff Sergeant, Battery A, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service. As gunner corporal from July 1941 to May 1942 he established an enviable record for accuracy in following fire commands. On 6 May 1942 he was promoted to sergeant and chief of a howitzer section in which position he developed the outstanding gun crew in the battery. During the Tunisian and Sicilian campaigns, because of the speed and accuracy which he had developed in his section, his howitzer was used as adjusting piece, and on night marches his section was normally designated lead section because of his excellent judgment and dependability. Entered service from Phoenix, Arizona.

JOHN A. LOOSER, 6015157, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service in the successful campaign of antisubmarine warfare against the enemy from 2 November 1942 to 31 October 1943 in the United Kingdom and North Africa. Without benefit of assistance from commissioned officers, Sergeant Looser, displaying untiring energy and exceptional creative genius, successfully pioneered the development and operation of aircraft radar equipment for use against the enemy. Despite critical shortages, Sergeant Looser not only kept his equipment at maximum operational efficiency, improvising in emergencies, but also invented and developed a device which increased the capabilities of this equipment far beyond its original design. His inventive genius is also responsible for a radar blind landing system which he built and perfected, the practicability of which has been proved in actual flight tests. In addition to these achievements, Sergeant Looser, as the sole head of his section from November 1942 to July 1943, accomplished the training and supervised the work of a large number of personnel, keeping morale at the highest pitch despite difficult conditions and long and arduous working hours, discharging all responsibilities in a superior manner. Entered service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

VAVIL L. MILLER, 6006226, Master Sergeant, *** Bombardment Squadron (L), *** Bombardment Group, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 22 November 1942 to 19 March 1943. As Chief of Armament Section he was responsible for selection of nine men to compose an advanced section which would furnish both armament and ordnance service for the squadron. The supply of bombs for this squadron was difficult as the [illegible] in the aircraft were for British type bombs and those supplied were of both British and United States types. His intimate knowledge of his craft, ability to devise ingenious methods for interchange of fuzes and fins, and untiring efforts and coolness under fire made it possible to service the aircraft for as many as three missions a day, enabling the crews to drop bombs varying from 100 pounds to 750 pounds from racks intended to accommodate only 250 pound and 500 pound British type. His

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indifference to personal safety under attack, judgment in selecting personnel, and sustained effort were stimulants to the success of the squadron, and a decisive factor in the successful completion of its mission. Entered service from Barksdale Field, Louisiana.

AXEL W. ANDERSON, 0395063, Captain, *** Ranger Battalion, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 1 May to 1 November 1943, as supply officer for the *** Ranger Battalion, and *** Ranger Force Headquarters. Captain Anderson with his existing staff, arranged and initially supplied the newly activated *** and *** Ranger Battalions. This feat was accomplished by his intense devotion to duty, working long hours, and traveling far and wide to the various supply points. Captain Anderson was responsible for the loading of the Ranger Force for the Sicilian Campaign, and again he demonstrated outstanding organizational ability in mounting over 7,000 troops with all combat equipment in an efficient and orderly manner. During the campaign he kept all units supplied, using every means at hand, including mule trains. During the initial 21-day period of the Italian Campaign, Captain Anderson established and ran the beach for the Ranger Force. He kept the entire force, over 9,000 men, supplied with all essential equipment. His organization of the beach brought high praise from the Navy, as well as from higher headquarters, when they arrived to take over supply facilities. Captain Anderson during this period directed all G-4 functions for this force until normal supply routines were established. Throughout the entire period covered by this citation, Captain Anderson's untiring energy, resourcefulness, and unsparing devotion to duty, which characterized all of his efforts, were important factors in the success of the Ranger Force operation in the North African theater. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

JOSEPH P. TODD, 0336223, Captain, Chemical Warfare Service, *** Chemical Smoke Generator Company, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service in the organization, development, and operation of area smoke-screening installations. At Bone, Algeria, Captain Todd commanded a smoke generator unit which had had no opportunity to familiarize itself with equipment which was then being tried under combat conditions for the first time. During the period 14 April to 16 June 1943, while working with British as well as American Port and Antiaircraft defense forces, he planned, organized, and used his smoke generator installations in such manner that not a single hit was scored by enemy raiders in numerous assaults on shipping and port facilities in a harbor which was frequently crowded. When his company was moved to Palermo, Sicily, on 27 July 1943, acting as a smoke battalion commander, Captain Todd surveyed and planned the whole area smoke defense and from then until 25 August 1943, his superior deployment of his unit enabled it to make an excellent record. His ingenuity enabled him to keep units in repair despite a scarcity of spare parts. The leadership and fine spirit which he imparted to his men evoked much favorable comment. Entered service from Atlanta, Georgia.

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Boundaries of the North African Theater of Operations, U. S. Army I
Award of Soldier's Medal II
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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. ABOVE LETTER FILED IN 322.

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 co-belligerent 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 Corde 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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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:

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, 0385656, 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. MARERA, 31034933, Private, 66th Ordnance Company, Tunisia, 17 January 1943.

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AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

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

WILLARD R. BUTCHER, 37053427, Technician Fourth Grade, Company C, *** Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services. On 11 September 1943, near Persano, Italy, the combat efficiency of the company unit had been seriously impaired by the loss of six tank destroyers in action with the enemy. The following morning Technician Butcher and another member of his section undertook to recover the disabled vehicles. In the face of artillery and small arms fire they successfully recovered four tank destroyers. By this courageous action, combined with superior technical skill, they were able to restore to action within a short time, armament which was critically needed. Technician Butcher's initiative and devotion to duty assisted his battalion materially in the successful completion of its mission. Entered service from Fergus Falls, Minnesota.

JACK FOISIE, 39013375, Technician Third Grade, Publications Section, G-1, North African Theater of Operations, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 22 June to 18 August 1943. As a correspondent for the Army newspaper "Stars and Stripes" his assignment was to cover the Sicilian Campaign, initially with the *** Airborne Division and then with the ground forces. His news coverage of this campaign was acclaimed by civilian correspondents as outstanding. His ability and determination in carrying out his assignments were exemplified by his action on 8 August 1943 with the United States forces advancing along the coast of Northern Sicily. He was the only correspondent to accompany the United States forces on this spectacular amphibious operation which resulted in the capture of Santa Agata. Entered service from San Francisco, California.

ROSCOE C. VAUGHN, 39011975, Staff Sergeant, Company C, *** Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services. On 11 September 1943, near Persano, Italy, the combat efficiency of the company unit had been seriously impaired by the loss of six tank destroyers in action with the enemy. The following morning Sergeant Vaughn and another member of his section undertook to recover the disabled vehicles. In the face of artillery and small-arms fire they successfully recovered four tank destroyers. By his courageous action, combined with superior technical skill, they were able to restore to action, within a short time, armament which was critically needed. Sergeant Vaughn's initiative and devotion to duty assisted his battalion materially in the successful completion of its mission. Entered service from Santa Fe, New Mexico.

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ANTHONY T. MARTUCCI, 12090854, Technical Sergeant, Company D, *** Port Battalion, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 19 November 1942 to 30 November 1943. As a technical

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sergeant he has constantly displayed unusual qualities in leadership and marked organizational ability. By careful planning and employment of his civilian stevedore knowledge he helped develop and increase the speed of loading and discharging of cargo in connection with the operation of his unit. The successful records achieved are in a great measure due to the foresight, ability, and cooperative spirit so well demonstrated by Sergeant Martucci. Entered service from New York, New York.

FRANK DOLEJSKA, 13061588, Master Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, *** Air Support Command, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period 15 January to 31 August 1943. During the Tunisian and Sicilian Campaigns, working with limited personnel and equipment and always against a time factor, Sergeant Dolejska, by his selflessness, ingenuity, and resourcefulness, was responsible for the extremely high degree of efficiency attained in the code room of the *** Air Support Command. Entered service from Houston, Texas.

JOHN C. KRAEGER, 32234051, Master Sergeant, *** Signal Company (Aviation), United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services. As wire chief for the Headquarters of Northwest African Strategic Air Force and subsequently *** Bomber Command, he worked ceaselessly in maintaining the wire systems of the headquarters and in rendering assistance to subordinate headquarters on their maintenance problems. During the winter months of the North African campaign, when weather and other causes resulted in frequent interruptions to telephone and teletype service, and also during the move of Northwest African Strategic Air Force headquarters to the Tunisian area, he often remained on the job continuously for 48-hour periods so as to insure effective operation of the wire network. His initiative, devotion to duty, and unsparing efforts made him an outstanding example to all those with whom he has served. Entered service from Los Angeles, California.

RUFUS S. RAMEY, 06614, Brigadier General, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service as Commandant, the Cavalry School, Fort Riley, Kansas, during the period 26 August 1942 to 2 January 1944. During that period General Ramey successfully guided the activities of the Cavalry School through its period of expansion and by his exceptional executive, administrative, and professional ability was responsible for the superior training results produced therein. His untiring efforts contributed largely to the successful modernization of cavalry doctrines and in particular to the present use of mechanized reconnaissance. Because of General Ramey's outstanding abilities the Cavalry School was able to produce trained officers and enlisted specialists of high caliber.

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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, 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 Hereford 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. SCHAFFER, 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 18 interlaced camouflage nets, which formed a canopy over the battery motor pool area. The fire was soon out of control and loss of the 18 vehicles parked therein seemed imminent. In an effort to remove some of the vehicles, a section of the burning nets fell 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 18 Government vehicles and possible injury to enlisted personnel in the vicinity. Entered service from Norwalk, Ohio.

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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 jettee. 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 jettee 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 jettee 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. Technicism 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 jettee, he reached one of the men who was panic stricken and not able to swim. Dessite the unusual violence of the sea, and in a state of virtual exhaustion, Technicism Goss brought the victim to a ladder on the jettee 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, 13060899, 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. Technicism 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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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 1945. 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. 3765

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, 32007080, 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 Sammartine 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 Salloum, Tunisia. Whenever the occasion arose for litter bearers, Sergeant Sammartine, 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) (Gun), for heroism on 11 October 1943 at Porto Empedocle, Sicily:

HUBERT HESSENCER, 37205122, Private. Entered service from Kingman, Kansas.

JOHN A. DOBRINSKI, 12100965, Private First Class. Entered service from New York, New York.

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

ROMNEY M. PRESTON, 16017612, Corporal. Entered service from Peoria, Illinois.

SAMUEL P. DUNN, 0342885, 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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GENERAL ORDERS)
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11 March 1944

Award of Distinguished Service Medal I
Award of Purple Heart II
Award of Oak Leaf Cluster, Legion of Merit III
Award of Legion of Merit IV

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 officer:

JOHN S. MARDY, 021013, Colonel, Air Corps, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service to the Government in a duty of great responsibility as Assistant Chief of Staff, A-3, Eighth Air Force, from 7 January 1943 to 5 November 1943. Throughout this period of rapid expansion and engagement in battle of the Eighth Air Force, he displayed exceptional administrative and executive ability in planning the operations, training and disposition of the Air Force. His excellent judgment, forcefulness, tactical knowledge and high professional attainments, have contributed materially to the success in battle of the Eighth Air Force. His personal character, determination to stand by his convictions, and his tact have been an inspiration to all echelons of the command.

II -- 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 for wounds received in action against the enemy:

LEONARD M. [redacted], 0454341, 1st Lieutenant, Headquarters II Corps, Tunisia, 7 April 1943. Entered service from Wisconsin.

BERNARD LIEBE, 0450550, 1st Lieutenant, 1st Armored Regiment, 1st Armored Division, Tunisia, 14 February 1943. Entered service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

III -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER, LEGION OF MERIT

By direction of the President, in addition to the Legion of Merit awarded by the Theater Commander, as published in General Orders Number 37, this headquarters, 31 July 1943, the bronze Oak Leaf Cluster was awarded by the Theater Commander, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, to the following named officer:

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CLARENCE L. BURPEE, 0420085, Colonel, Military Railway Service, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in Italy from 3 September 1943 to 2 October 1943. When railroads over a large area became totally inoperative due to widespread destruction by the enemy, Colonel Burpee, without the aid of qualified personnel, promptly and efficiently accomplished the

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necessary repairs. When considerable equipment was located in a city which was under intense enemy fire, Colonel Burpee succeeded in entering the rail yards and secured several vitally needed locomotives. By putting these repaired engines into service, he assisted in the movement of supplies to the forward areas, and contributed materially to the Fifth Army's advance. Entered service from Jacksonville, Florida.

IV -- AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

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

ROBERT J. GALBRAITH, 38156423, Technician Fourth Grade, Signal Corps, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 5 August to 21 August 1943 near Floresta, Sicily. As chief radio operator, he led his signal team at night through areas known to be heavily mined and enemy patrolled in order to establish and maintain communications between the forward troops and the command post. Having over extremely difficult terrain carrying heavy radio equipment, he maintained continuous contact by radio until that means failed, and then quickly organized the laying of field wire so that vital communications would be uninterrupted. By his courageous efforts, Technician Fourth Grade Galbraith contributed immeasurably to the successful advance of his unit during a most critical period of the Sicilian Campaign. Entered service from Derby, Pennsylvania.

DAN GILMER, 0-19673, Colonel, General Staff Corps, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 15 August 1942 to 7 January 1944, as Secretary, General Staff, Allied Force Headquarters. Effectively organizing the office of the Secretary, Colonel Gilmer conscientiously directed its complex functions with outstanding professional skill and complete disregard for personal fatigue. He was charged with the responsibility of handling secret operations of inestimable importance. His example of loyalty and devotion to duty above and beyond the requirements of his office contributed markedly to the successful operation of the General Staff organization of the entire Allied Force Headquarters and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered United States Military Academy from Georgia.

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Award of Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster for Legion of Merit.....I
Award of Soldier's Medal.....II
Award of Legion of Merit.....III

I -- AWARD OF BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR LEGION OF MERIT.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Legion of Merit and Gold Star awarded by the Commander, U. S. Naval Forces, Northwest African Waters, the bronze Oak Leaf Cluster has been awarded to the following named officers:

ROBERT W. CARY, 8600, Captain, United States Navy, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during operations of the United States Navy in support of the United States Seventh Army in Sicily from 2 August to 9 August 1943. Captain Cary, commanding officer of the *****, effectively employed his ship's battery in support of amphibious landings behind the enemy lines while under enemy fire and aerial bombing. The keen tactical skill, and sound seamanship displayed by Captain Cary were important factors in the success of the rapid advance of the Seventh Army along the northern coast of Sicily culminating in the capture of the city of Messina.

PAUL HENDREN, 8269, Captain, United States Navy, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during United States Navy operations in support of the United States Seventh Army in Sicily from 31 July to 15 August 1943. As commanding officer of the *****, he employed his ship's battery in support of army amphibious operations with courage and intrepidity while under intense enemy gunfire and aerial bombing. The keen tactical skill, and sound seamanship displayed by Captain Hendren were important factors in the success of the initial landing operations and the subsequent rapid advance of the Seventh Army towards the city of Messina.

HERBERT THEBAUD, 3274, Captain, United States Navy, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during United States Navy operations in support of the United States Seventh Army from 8 August to 14 August 1943. As commanding officer of the *****, Captain Thebaud played a prominent part in the planning and execution of the amphibious landings behind the enemy lines in Sicily. The direction of supporting naval gunfire and the high order of seamanship displayed by Captain Thebaud contributed materially to the rapid advance of the Seventh Army along the northern coast of Sicily.

II - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL 3757

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:

ROLAND N. BACHAND, 31213044, Private First Class, Artillery, Army of the United States, for heroism on 16 February 1944 at ***, Sardinia. Discovering

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flames coming from the center car of five boxcars heavily loaded with aviation gasoline, Private First Class Bachand, with complete disregard for his own safety, uncoupled the cars on either side of the flaming one, and enlisting the aid of several Italian soldiers and civilians, pushed the boxcars out of danger. Then, realizing that the fire still imperiled fifteen gasoline-loaded cars on a parallel track, further disregarding a possible explosion, he rolled the flaming boxcar to a safe position. His acts of heroism exhibited great presence of mind and coolness in the face of danger and prevented the destruction of vital government supplies. Entered service from, Springfield, Massachusetts.

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 officers:

JOHN A. McVOY, 0221457, Major CAC, Headquarters, North African Theater of Operations, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 14 December 1942 to 30 July 1943. Through his indefatigable efforts and extraordinary leadership, Major McVoy overcame seemingly insurmountable obstacles to establish orderly and effective procedures for the processing and disposition of prisoners of war. Assigned to Headquarters, Mediterranean Base Section, a few weeks after the North African landings, despite the handicaps of untrained personnel, limited materials and improvised equipment, he developed a highly satisfactory program for receiving, caring for and evacuating large numbers of prisoners captured during the Tunisian Campaign. His successful accomplishment of this important mission provided the basis for prisoner of war activities during all subsequent operations in the theater. Entered service from Newark, New Jersey.

COLEMAN E. YUDELSON, 0337189, Lieutenant Colonel, GSC, Headquarters, NATOUSA. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from October 1942 to February 1944. As Assistant to the Assistant Chief of Staff G-1, in charge of prisoner of war affairs and Assistant Executive Officer, G-1 Division, Allied Force Headquarters, and Labor Headquarters, NATOUSA, Lieutenant Colonel Yudelson displayed outstanding executive ability and professional knowledge in the development of policies and procedures. In this capacity he aided in the preparation and operation of numerous plans for the collection, care, and disposition of prisoners of war in the North African Theater of Operations. That such plans were sound and workable was clearly demonstrated in the efficient manner in which the thousands of prisoners taken during the Tunisian And Sicilian Campaigns were handled. His sound judgment, initiative, careful planning, and devotion to duty contributed materially to the successful operations of our forces. Entered service from Iowa.

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Establishment of Azores Command, NATOUSA.....I
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I --- ESTABLISHMENT OF AZORES COMMAND, NATOUSA.

Announcement is made of the establishment of the Azores Command, NATOUSA.

II -- DESIGNATION OF COMMANDING OFFICER, AZORES COMMAND, NATOUSA.

Announcement is made of the designation of Colonel ALBERT D. SMITH, 06848, AC, as Commanding Officer, Azores Command, NATOUSA.

III - BOUNDARIES OF AZORES COMMAND, NATOUSA.

The area of the Azores Command, NATOUSA, will consist of the islands of the Azores Group, waters adjacent thereto, and the general political area thereof.

IV -- MEDAL OF HONOR - AWARD.

By direction of the President, the Medal of Honor was awarded by the War Department, in the name of Congress to the following named personnel:

CHARLES E. KELLY, 13085671, Corporal, then private first class, Company L. * * * Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at risk of life above and beyond the call of duty. On 13 September 1943, near Altavilla, Italy, Corporal Kelly voluntarily joined a patrol which located and neutralized enemy machine gun positions. After this hazardous duty he volunteered to establish contact with the 3d Battalion, * * * Infantry, which was believed to be located on Hill 315, a mile distant. He traveled over a route commanded by enemy observation and under sniper, mortar, and artillery fire; and later he returned with the correct information that the enemy occupied Hill 315 in organized positions. Immediately thereafter Corporal Kelly, again a volunteer patrol member, assisted materially in the destruction of two enemy machine gun nests under conditions requiring great skill and courage. Having effectively fired his weapon until all the ammunition was exhausted, he secured permission to obtain more at an ammunition dump. Arriving at the dump, which was located near a storehouse on the extreme flank of his regiment's position, Corporal Kelly found that the Germans were attacking forcefully at this point. He obtained his ammunition and was given the mission of protecting the rear of the storehouse. He held his position throughout the night. The following morning the enemy attack was resumed.

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Corporal Kelly took a position at an open window of the storehouse. One machine gunner had been killed at this position and several other soldiers wounded. Corporal Kelly delivered continuous aimed and effective fire upon the enemy with his automatic rifle until the weapon locked from overheating. Finding another automatic rifle he again directed effective fire upon the enemy until this weapon also locked. At this critical point, with the enemy threatening to overrun the position, Corporal Kelly picked up 60mm mortar shells, pulled the safety pins, and used the shells as grenades, killing at least five of the enemy. When it became imperative that the house be evacuated, Corporal Kelly, despite his sergeant's injunctions, volunteered to hold the position until the remainder of of the detachment could withdraw. As the detachment moved out Corporal Kelly was observed deliberately loading and firing a rocket launcher from the window. He was successful in covering the withdrawal of the unit, and later in joining his own organization. Corporal Kelly's fighting determination and intrepidity in battle exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States.

GERRY H. KISTERS, 02055210, Second Lieutenant, then staff sergeant, Troop * * *, * * * Reconnaissance Squadron, United States Army. For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty in action against the enemy. On 31 July 1943, near Gagliano, Sicily, a detachment of one officer and 9 enlisted men, including Sergeant Kisters, advancing ahead of the leading elements of United States troops to fill a large crater in the only available vehicle route through Gagliano, was taken under fire by two enemy machine guns. Sergeant Kisters and the officer, unaided and in the face of intense small-arms fire, advanced on the nearest machine-gun emplacement and succeeded in capturing the gun and its crew of four. Although the greater part of the remaining small-arms fire was now directed on the captured machine-gun position, Sergeant Kisters voluntarily advanced alone toward the second gun emplacement. While creeping forward he was struck five times by enemy bullets, receiving wounds in both legs and his right arm. Despite the wounds he continued to advance on the enemy, and captured the second machine gun after killing three of its crew and forcing the fourth member to flee. The courage of this soldier and his unhesitating willingness to sacrifice his life, if necessary, served as an inspiration to the command.

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Announcement of Assignment of Secretary, General Staff I
Award of Soldier's Medal II
Award of Legion of Merit III

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:

MAC PETERS, 32266320, Private First Class, for heroism at Port Say, French Morocco, on 1st 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 group 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.

CLARK E. JOLLEY, 32000359, Staff Sergeant, for heroism at Port Say, French Morocco, on 12 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 men to safety. Entered service from Rogers Store, Virginia.

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CLAUDE E. DAVIS, 0564796, 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 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 F. BELL, 6394404, 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.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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25 February 1944

Establishment and Chief, Claims Section I
Award of Soldier's Medal II
Award, Posthumous, of Legion of Merit III

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, 133494, 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.

III - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF LEGION OF MERIT

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1. So much of Section III, General Orders Number 105, 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.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

DAVID G. BARR,
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STAFF REORGANIZATION

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections I and II, General Orders Number 12, and Administrative Memorandum Number 2, both this headquarters, cs, the following actions and changes affecting the present general and special staff sections of this headquarters are announced, to be effective at 0001A hours, 24 February 1944:

a. The following general and special staff sections of this headquarters will continue to operate as separate sections:

(1) Chief of Staff, including Deputy Chief of Staff and Secretary, General Staff.

(2) Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1.

(3) Inspector General.

(4) Judge Advocate General.

(5) Finance.

(6) Joint Rearmament Committee.

b. A Censorship Section is hereby established as a special staff section of this headquarters. It will be responsible for the censorship of all United States Army and prisoner of war mail entering or leaving the theater.

c. The following theater special staff sections and section of a general staff division will continue to perform their normal theater staff functions, but will be supervised by and report to the Commanding General, SOS, NATOUSA:

(1) G-1 Publications Section of the G-1 Division.

(2) Army Exchange Service Section.

(3) Chaplain's Section.

(4) Morale Services Section.

(5) Special Service Section.

(6) Provost Marshal General's Section.

(7) Censorship Section.

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d. All general and special staff sections of this headquarters, other than those enumerated in paragraphs a and c above, as now constituted, are abolished.

e. The functions of the staff sections abolished by paragraph d, above, will be assumed by the corresponding section of Allied Force Headquarters. The Army of the United States personnel assigned to these (AFHQ) staff sections will constitute the corresponding staff section of this headquarters and will continue operating under the same allotment of personnel now granted the Allied Force Section unless modified by separate action. The senior officer of the Army of the United States in each such section is, in addition to his other duties, designated as chief of the corresponding section of this headquarters.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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20 February 1944

Consolidation of Duties of the Commanding General, Communications Zone, and the Commanding General, Services of Supply.....I
Forward Boundary of Communications Zone.....II
Award of Soldier's Medal.....III
Award of Legion of Merit.....IV

I -- CONSOLIDATION OF DUTIES OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL, COMMUNICATIONS ZONE, AND THE COMMANDING GENERAL, SERVICES OF SUPPLY.

Effective at 0001A hours, 24 February 1944, all duties and responsibilities of the Commanding General, Communications Zone, North African Theater of Operations, U. S. Army, are delegated to and will be assumed by the Commanding General, Services of Supply, North African Theater of Operations, U. S. Army, together with such other duties as may be assigned to him from time to time.

II - FORWARD BOUNDARY OF COMMUNICATIONS ZONE.

Section II, General Order No. 4, this headquarters, 1943, is rescinded and the following substituted therefore:

The forward boundary of the Communications Zone, North African Theater of Operations, U. S. Army, is the rear boundary of the Combat Zone as may be designated from time to time.

III - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to each of the following named enlisted men of the Ordnance Ammunition Company, for heroism on 23 December 1943, at Paestum, Italy:

JAMES L. HOWELL, 14129653, Private First Class,
Entered service from Greensboro, North Carolina.

SHERMAN T. LIBERTY, 14129708, Corporal,
Entered service from Greensboro, North Carolina.

CLARENCE F. MOSS, 14129725, Technician Fourth Grade,
Entered service from Greensboro, North Carolina.

ROBERT L. HORRIS, 14129658, Staff Sergeant,
Entered service from High Point, North Carolina.

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When an explosion occurred in an ammunition salvage depot, these men, with complete disregard for their personal safety, rushed to the burning area

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and carried to safety four injured civilians and one American soldier. Knowing that other explosions were imminent, they unhesitatingly returned to the flaming powder and ammunition and brought the fire under control. Their brave actions in the face of extreme danger resulted in saving several lives and prevented further destruction of government property.

IV - AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

Under provisions of AR 600-45 the Legion of Merit is awarded in the name of the President to the following officer:

RICHARD H. CHASE, 0403631, Captain (Chaplain), 26th Infantry, First Infantry Division, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa and Sicily from March 1943 to September 1943. As regimental chaplain, his coordination of the unit's religious program in such manner as to provide for all troops the maximum opportunities for worship and personal counsel contributed outstandingly to the organizations's morale. In addition to these duties, he discharged with exceptional efficiency the duties of Graves Registration officer. His courage under fire in evacuation of the dead from battle areas was an inspiration to the entire command. Entered service from Barrington, Rhode Island.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

DAVID G. BARR,
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Organization of Morale Services Section I
Award, Posthumous, of Soldier's Medal II
Award, Posthumous, of Legion of Merit III

I -- ORGANIZATION OF MORALE SERVICES SECTION

1. A Morale Services Section is hereby constituted and organized as a special staff section of this headquarters.

2. The Morale Services Section, this headquarters, is charged with the following duties:

a. Research to determine soldier attitudes.

b. Field service to determine effectiveness of the Morale Services program.

c. Information, under which will be operated:

(1) YANK magazine.

(2) Production and distribution of Newsmap.

(3) Distribution of pocket guides, THE DIGEST, etc.

(4) Supervision of Army News Service in order to improve content and insure prompt receipt in the field.

(5) Supervision of American Expeditionary Stations, distribution of transcriptions, supervision of use of receivers and public address systems.

d. Education.

(1) Establishment and maintenance of a United States Armed Forces Institute Branch.

(2) Establishment and supervision of educational activities, including language courses. 3749

e. Orientation: Supervision and control over orientation program as defined by War Department and theater instructions.

f. Special Projects: Liaison in the field with planning for eventual demobilization training programs.

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3. The Special Service Section of this headquarters is relieved of all duties heretofore performed by it which are listed in paragraph 2, above.

II -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, a Soldier's Medal is posthumously awarded, in the name of the President, to the following named individual:

ROY S. SMITH, 391900625, Staff Sergeant, Company "B", 344th Engineer Regiment (CA), for heroism on 25 July 1943, at Conde Smendou, Algeria. When an American officer who had entered a forty-foot mine shaft in an attempt to rescue a French civilian who had been overcome by carbon monoxide gas failed to return to the surface, Staff Sergeant Smith, with complete disregard of the danger to himself, descended to the bottom of the shaft. Before he could begin removal of the two unconscious men to safety, he himself was rendered lifeless by the poisonous gas. His self-sacrificing efforts to aid others at the cost of his own life exemplify the highest heroism. Next of kin: Mrs. Nora E. McKenna (Mother), Route 1, Box 1240, Everett, Washington.

III -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF LEGION OF MERIT

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

JOHN D. EWERS, 01100096, Captain, CE, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as operations officer, Headquarters, 40th Engineer Combat Regiment, from 1 February 1943 to 31 July 1943. Captain EWERS directed with outstanding thoroughness and efficiency all planning for this organization's final intensive training and overseas movement. His coordination of the amphibious operations of the regiment and its attached units in Sicily, and his activities in greatly increasing the capacity of port facilities were largely responsible for the superior fulfillment of the regiment's mission in the support of combat elements. Next of kin: Mrs. Clara R. Ewers, (Wife), 100 South Vine Street, Caney, Kansas.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

Announcement is made of the award of the Legion of Merit, by the War Department, in the name of the President, to the following named individual:

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, 03822, General, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services over a long period and in a series of positions of great importance. From 12 July to 13 December 1941, as Chief of Staff of the Third Army, he planned for and supervised with marked ability and conspicuous success the planning and carrying out of the largest concentration of troops ever assembled on the American continent and their subsequent participation in large-scale maneuvers. From 14 December 1941 to 1 April 1942 while on temporary duty in the Office Chief of Staff, the War Plans Division, and Chief, War Plans Division, War Department General Staff, in turn, he played a major part in placing in effect the United States Army's plans for war. During this time he organized the present Operations Division, War Department General Staff. From 2 April to 23 June 1942 he served with distinction during a most critical period in the history of the United States as Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations Division, War Department General Staff. From 24 June to November 1942, as Commanding General of the European Theater of Operations, General EISENHOWER rendered invaluable service by organizing the European Theater, establishing an effective supply system, and training and preparing for battle the large United States ground and air forces which have since played such an important part in active operations from the United Kingdom, in Africa and in Italy. His outstanding contributions to the Allied cause and to the successes now being realized by the Armed Forces of the United States are deserving of the highest praise and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered United States Military Academy from Kansas.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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4 February 1944

Organization and Designation of Commander, Allied Military Mission Detachment, U. S. Contingent (Prov)..... I
Battle Honor - Citation of Unit.....II
Award of Legion of Merit.....III

I -- ORGANIZATION AND DESIGNATION OF COMMANDER, ALLIED MILITARY MISSION DETACHMENT, U. S. CONTINGENT (PROV)

General Orders Number 108, this headquarters, 1943, is hereby rescinded.

II - BATTLE HONOR - CITATION OF UNIT

In accordance with authority granted by the War Department and under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9396, (Sec. I, Bull. 22, WD, 1943) superseding Executive Order No. 9075 (Sec. III, Bull, WD, 1942), the following named unit is cited in the name of the President of the United States, as public evidence of deserved honor and distinction:

THE 3D BATTALION, 141ST INFANTRY REGIMENT is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy, on 9 September 1943, during the invasion of Italy. The battalion landed in assault waves on the Paestum beaches south of Salerno, in the face of withering artillery, machine gun and mortar fire from organized and fortified enemy positions. In the early morning hours the enemy launched a counterattack supported by tanks, which was stopped by the battalion. Cut off from supplies and reinforcements by the deadly enemy fire, the assault units nevertheless continued their advance against enemy positions while under continual enemy shelling. A second tank attack was repelled by the intrepid force. With the unit on the right flank pinned down by machine gun fire, and the unit on the left delayed in landing, the 3d Battalion bore the full brunt of the initial German firepower and counterattacks, both frontal and flanking; yet the officers and enlisted men of the battalion doggedly advanced forward, without artillery support or assistance from adjacent units. Only through their courageous performance was the initial divisional objective achieved. In the midst of unceasing enemy fire and often in the face of certain death, duties were performed unhesitatingly and with utter disregard for personal safety. The courage and devotion to duty shown by members of the 3d Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment are worthy of emulation and reflect the highest traditions of the Army of the United States.

III -AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

Announcement is made of the award, by the War Department, of the Legion of Merit to each of the following named officers:

RICHARD M. JONES, 0273029, Major (then Captain), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of

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outstanding service during the period 7 November 1941 to 10 February 1942. As contracting and escorting officer in charge of a group of 45 expert civilian technicians which arrived at Manila, P. I., on 5 December 1941 Major Jones exercised highly commendable initiative and good judgment when upon learning that the planned departure would be delayed immediately transferred all personnel and equipment to another ship, which turned out to be the only possible way his mission could be accomplished. Aboard the ship on 8 December, upon receipt of news of the Japanese attack, Major Jones organized and supervised his personnel for local security, led and inspired all into efficient cooperation in painting the ship a wartime gray, filling and stowing sand bags, and establishing the most effective possible methods for protection. Upon arrival in India it appeared impossible for the group to move further because of lack of transportation facilities and funds and local indifference; but all of these difficulties were surmounted by Major Jones with superior tact and constant effort. The group arrived at its destination, Lashio, Burma, on 10 February 1942, in time to assemble hundreds of vehicles and transport many tons of vital war materials in connection with the Burma Road enterprise.

EDWARD M. MORRIS, 010521, Brigadier General (then Colonel, Air Corps) United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service as Commanding Officer, Iceland Base Command Air Force and as Air Officer, Iceland Base Command. General Morris was confronted with the problem of organizing and effecting an important combat operation at a time when the United States was at peace. Operating under the most difficult organizational and procurement conditions, General Morris, by energetic action and inspiring leadership, overcame tremendous obstacles and successfully established his force in Iceland in a high state of combat efficiency. Through his initiative, perseverance, and outstanding ability he maintained his command in the highest state of morale and combat readiness in spite of hazardous conditions of terrain and weather and seemingly overwhelming difficulties of supply and maintenance. His tactful coordination and unfailing cooperation with the Royal Air Force and the United States Navy have won him the admiration and respect of his associates. His keen vision and astute planning have contributed directly to the efficient operation and expansion of the Iceland Base Command Air Force and Ferrying Command facilities in Iceland.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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3 February 1944

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, 01031E, 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,
Brigadier General, GSC,
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Organization and Designation of Commander, Allied Military Mission Detachment, U. S. Contingent (Prov)..... I
Battle Honor - Citation of Unit.....II
Award of Legion of Merit.....III

I -- ORGANIZATION AND DESIGNATION OF COMMANDER, ALLIED MILITARY MISSION DETACHMENT, U. S. CONTINGENT (PROV)

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EDWARD M. MORRIS, 010521, Brigadier General (then Colonel, Air Corps) United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service as Commanding Officer, Iceland Base Command Air Force and as Air Officer, Iceland Base Command. General Morris was confronted with the problem of organizing and effecting an important combat operation at a time when the United States was at peace. Operating under the most difficult organizational and procurement conditions, General Morris, by energetic action and inspiring leadership, overcame tremendous obstacles and successfully established his force in Iceland in a high state of combat efficiency. Through his initiative, perseverance, and outstanding ability he maintained his command in the highest state of morale and combat readiness in spite of hazardous conditions of terrain and weather and seemingly overwhelming difficulties of supply and maintenance. His tactful coordination and unfailing cooperation with the Royal Air Force and the United States Navy have won him the admiration and respect of his associates. His keen vision and astute planning have contributed directly to the efficient operation and expansion of the Iceland Base Command Air Force and Ferrying Command facilities in Iceland.

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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, 010317, 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 AMRICAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS

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

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Organization and Designation of Commander, Allied Military Mission Detachment, U. S. Contingent (Prov)..... I
Battle Honor - Citation of Unit.....II
Award of Legion of Merit.....III

I -- ORGANIZATION AND DESIGNATION OF COMMANDER, ALLIED MILITARY MISSION DETACHMENT, U. S. CONTINGENT (PROV)

General Orders Number 108, this headquarters, 1943, is hereby rescinded.

II - BATTLE HONOR - CITATION OF UNIT

In accordance with authority granted by the War Department and under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9396, (Sec. I, Bull. 22, WD, 1943) superseding Executive Order No. 9075 (Sec. III, Bull, WD, 1942), the following named unit is cited in the name of the President of the United States, as public evidence of deserved honor and distinction:

THE 3D BATTALION, 141ST INFANTRY REGIMENT is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy, on 9 September 1943, during the invasion of Italy. The battalion landed in assault waves on the Paestum beaches south of Salerno, in the face of withering artillery, machine gun and mortar fire from organized and fortified enemy positions. In the early morning hours the enemy launched a counterattack supported by tanks, which was stopped by the battalion. Cut off from supplies and reinforcements by the deadly enemy fire, the assault units nevertheless continued their advance against enemy positions while under continual enemy shelling. A second tank attack was repelled by the intrepid force. With the unit on the right flank pinned down by machine gun fire, and the unit on the left delayed in landing, the 3d Battalion bore the full brunt of the initial German firepower and counterattacks, both frontal and flanking; yet the officers and enlisted men of the battalion doggedly advanced forward, without artillery support or assistance from adjacent units. Only through their courageous performance was the initial divisional objective achieved. In the midst of unceasing enemy fire and often in the face of certain death, duties were performed unhesitatingly and with utter disregard for personal safety. The courage and devotion to duty shown by members of the 3d Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment are worthy of emulation and reflect the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. 2643

III -AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

Announcement is made of the award, by the War Department, of the Legion of Merit to each of the following named officers:

RICHARD M. JONES, 0273029, Major (then Captain), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of

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Award, Posthumous, of Medal of Honor.....I
Award of Distinguished Service Cross.....II
Award of Soldier's Medal.....III
Award of Legion of Merit.....IV

I -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF MEDAL OF HONOR

The War Department has announced that, by the direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918) a Medal of Honor has posthumously awarded in the name of Congress to the following named enlisted man:

WILLIAM L. NELSON, 32063506, Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at risk of life, above and beyond the call of duty in action involving actual conflict at Djebel Dardys, Northwest of Sedjenane, Tunisia. On the morning of 24 April 1943 Sergeant Nelson led his section of heavy mortars to a forward position where he placed his guns and men. Under intense enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire, he advanced alone to a chosen observation position from which he directed the laying of a concentrated mortar barrage which successfully halted an initial enemy counter attack. Although mortally wounded in the accomplishment of his mission, and with his duty clearly completed, Sergeant Nelson crawled to a still more advanced observation point and continued to direct the fire of his section. Dying of hand grenade wounds and only 50 yards from the enemy, Sergeant Nelson encouraged his section to continue their fire and by doing so they took a heavy toll of enemy lives. The skill which Sergeant Nelson displayed in this engagement, his courage, and self-sacrificing devotion to duty and heroism resulting in the loss of his life were a priceless inspiration to our armed forces and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Army of the United States.

JAMES [illegible] REESE, 33136065, Private, Infantry, United States Army. For 3742
conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at a risk of life, above and beyond the call of duty in action involving actual conflict with the enemy on 5 August 1943 at [illegible], Vasecillio, Sicily. When the enemy launched a counter attack which threatened the position of his company, Private Reese, as the acting squad leader of a 60-mm mortar squad, displaying superior leadership and on his own initiative, delivered his squad forward to a favorable position, from which, by skillfully directing the fire of his weapon, he caused many casualties in the enemy ranks, and was aided materially in repulsing the counterattack. When the enemy fire became so severe as to make his position untenable, he ordered the other members of his squad to withdraw to a safer position, but declined to seek safety for himself. So as to bring more effective fire upon the enemy, Private Reese, without assistance, moved his mortar to a new position and attacked an enemy machine-gun nest. He had only three rounds of ammunition but secured a direct hit with his last round, completely destroying the nest and killing the occupants. Ammunition being

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exhausted, he abandoned the mortar, seized a rifle and continued to advance, moving into an exposed position overlooking the enemy. Despite a heavy concentration of machine gun, mortar, and artillery fire, the heaviest experienced by his unit throughout the entire Sicilian campaign, he remained at this position and continued to inflict casualties upon the enemy until he was killed. His bravery coupled with his gallant and unswerving determination to close with the enemy regardless of consequences and obstacles which he faced, is a priceless inspiration to our armed forces.

II - AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Announcement is made of the award by the President of the Distinguished Service Cross to:

MARK WAYNE CLARK, 02209, Lieutenant General, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action. On September 14, 1943, the enemy launched an attack which imperiled the Salerno bridgehead and the landings of the Fifth Army in Italy. As Army Commander, General Clark, went forward to the front line. There, under enemy artillery and machine gun fire he displayed utter disregard for his personal safety and spread an infectious spirit of determination and courage. He stopped again and again to talk with the men, telling them that under no circumstances must any ground be yielded. General Clark discovered 18 German tanks approaching within striking distance. He personally took charge of the situation, located an anti-tank unit and issued orders which resulted in the destruction of 6 tanks and the repulsion of the attack. By his magnificent display of leadership, courage and determination during a critical phase of the battle, front line troops were inspired to hold at all costs and subsequently to initiate steady advance. Entered the United States Military Academy from New York.

III -AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

So much of Section II, General Orders Number 117, this headquarters, 1943, as reads " TILLIAM A. KEITH, 31125853, Corporal", is amended to read "WALTER A. KEITH 31125853, Corporal".

IV - AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

Announcement is made of the award of Legion of Merit Medal on 7 January 1943 to the following named officer:

THEODORE ROOSEVELT, 012962, Brigadier General, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as assistant commander of the First Infantry Division from 17 November 1942 to 17 August 1943. His able training of First Division troops, his inspiring leadership of them in combat, and his continual personal example of absolute fearlessness and determination, were outstanding factors in the superb battle conduct and accomplishments of this organization. In conjunction with operations.

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of the division during the early period of the Tunisian Campaign, he successfully led a combined French force of three thousand men in the defense of a critical sector. On numerous similar occasions, his efforts constituted an important element in the success of Allied arms in Tunisia and Sicily. Entered service from Oyster Bay, Long Island, New York.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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: 8 January 1944
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ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-20 and in compliance with War Department radio number 6054 dated 31 December 1943, the undersigned assumes command of the North African Theater of Operations, United States Army, effective at 1200 hours 8 January 1944.

/s/ Jacob L. Devers
JACOB L. DEVERS
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army
Commanding.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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Civil Defense Advisor Section.....I
Award of Silver Star.....II
Award of Soldier's Medal.....III
Award of Legion of Merit.....IV

I -- CIVIL DEFENSE ADVISOR SECTION

Section I, General Orders Number 165, this headquarters, 1943, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

"Sections I and II, General Orders Number 42, this headquarters, 1943, which announce the establishment and chief of Civil Defense Advisor Section of this headquarters, are rescinded".

II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Silver Star was awarded in the name of the President on the date indicated to the following named enlisted man:

[redacted] CUTLIP, 15011088, Corporal, Company "E", 13th Armored Regiment, for gallantry in action on 2 February 1943 in the vicinity of Station de Senod, Tunisia. After abandoning their tank which had been hit by an enemy shell and was burning, Corporal Cutlip, heroically disregarded his own safety to assist other members of the crew. He received severe burns in attempting to remove the burning clothing of one mate, then, finding his Lieutenant helpless, he pulled the officer across the open, fire-swept field to a place which offered some protection and applied a tourniquet to his severed leg. Enemy artillery and small arms fire were everywhere, but Corporal Cutlip refused to retire until medical aid arrived. Entered service from Diana, West Virginia. (4 January 1944)

III -AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Soldiers Medal was awarded in the name of the President on the date indicated to the following named enlisted man:

[redacted] DOWNING, 31063187, Technician Fifth Grade, for heroism on 3 May 1943. When four soldiers were caught in an undertow while swimming near Tabarka, Tunisia and carried out to sea, Technician Fifth Grade Downing unhesitatingly plunged into the treacherous waters and towed the four, one at a time, onto a

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raft. Upon reaching shore, after performing four hazardous and exhausting rescues, he assisted in the employment of artifical respiration. Entered service from Waltham, Massachusetts. (4 January 1944)

THOMAS P. HALL, 35646788, Corporal, for heroism on 14 August 1943 at Pirato, Sicily. While in charge of a detail for unloading ammunition at a railhead, he noticed smoke pouring from a box car loaded with ammunition. Upon entering the car and discovering a wrapper case of three 75mm shells burning, Corporal Hall, thinking only of the safety of him men, carried the burning shells from the car and extinguished the fire. He incurred painful burns while performing this dangerous act, and undoubtedly averted a serious explosion which would have endangered many lives and destroyed much ammunition. Entered service from McBeth, West Virginia. (4 January 1944)

IV - AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

In accordance with authority granted by the War Department and under the provisions of AR 600-45, a Legion of Merit medal was awarded on the date indicated in the name of the President to each of the following named individuals:

EDWARD C. WEBER, 13006953, Technician Fifth Grade, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as company armorer-artificer from November 1940 to 1 October 1943. Performing his assigned duties with efficiency conspicuously above the usual, he eagerly shouldered additional responsibilities. On several occasions during the Tunisian Campaign he volunteered to lead mule teams through enemy territory at night in order to keep the company supplied with vital ammunition, water and rations. Entered service from Kutztown, Pennsylvania. (14 December 1943)

MORRIS B. GLENDER, 32040651, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 60th Infantry, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa and Sicily from 8 November 1942 to 15 August 1943. In addition to exemplary performance of his duties as assistant to the battalion chaplain, he rendered invaluable services in connection with graves registration. Disregarding personal danger, he constantly entered uncleared minefields and forward areas under enemy fire to aid in identification and burial. Accurate records which he maintained for the entire regiment greatly facilitated the reporting to higher headquarters. Entered service from Amsterdam, New York. (31 December 1943)

ALBERT A. SALVATO, 32195599, Technician Fifth Grade, Company "A", Maintenance Battalion, First Armored Division, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 8 December 1942 to 10 May 1943. Technician Fifth Grade Salvato, by his performance of superior service as a tank maintenance mechanic was instrumental in restoring to action many combat vehicles damaged in battle. During critical periods of the Tunisian Campaign, when maximum use of armored equipment was essential, he exhibited unusual courage and determination in continuing to work with great efficiency despite adverse field conditions and constant enemy air attacks. Entered service from Brooklyn, New York. (26 December 1943)

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FERNANDO E. CALERO, 32001500, Corporal, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 8 November 1942 to 13 August 1943. Corporal Calero peerlessly led his heavy machine gun squad in the assault on Safi, French Morocco, systematically performing acts that inspired aggressive action by his men. Throughout the Tunisian and Sicilian Campaigns he performed his duties with a continuous alertness, keeping his men rested when possible, but always ready and capable to victoriously engage the enemy. Entered service from New York, New York. (14 December 1943)

JOSEPH T. BECKETT, 32066309, Technician Fourth Grade, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as chief surgical technician of a regimental medical detachment from 8 November 1942 to 13 August 1943. His cool and efficient work in the care of casualties while subjected to heavy enemy fire was an inspiring example to the men of his unit. He has assisted with notable efficiency in the surgical care of large numbers of patients and has remained constantly on duty throughout extended periods. Medical and sanitary procedures which he was instrumental in initiating contributed importantly to the effectiveness of the unit. Entered service from Gloucester City, New Jersey. (14 December 1943)

LOUIS FANOY, 35009917, Technician Fourth Grade, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in Sicily from 10 July 1943 to 18 August 1943. In addition to his arduous duties as chief mechanic for a signal construction company under combat conditions, in collaboration with his motor sergeant he was responsible for the construction of several motor driven railroad handcars and a modified arc welder. These devices, constructed entirely from capcured materials, were indispensable in the rapid installation and maintenance of wire circuits of great importance. Entered service from Elyria, Ohio. (26 December 1943)

ORLEN D. WEST, 37231914, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private), for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services with the Fifth Army Leadership and Battle Training Center from 20 May 1943 to 23 July 1943. During the early period of the center's activation, he displayed extraordinary diligence, superior intelligence, and a high degree of ingenuity in connection with personnel and supply procurement, and publication of instructional matter. His successful performance of services normally unexpected of men in his grade and limited experience was an important contribution to the training center's successful operation. Entered service from Joplin, Missouri.
(27 December 1943)

LOUIS ZAFIROPOULOS, 32309913, Technician Fourth Grade, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa from 22 May 1943 to 23 July 1943. As acting mess sergeant for the Fifth Army Leadership and Battle Training Center, Technician Fourth Grade Zafiropoulos overcame severe handicaps of limited equipment, untrained personnel and small reserve stocks of food to set up and successfully operate the training center's large messes. Cheerfully accepting the unusual demands made upon him, he made a definite contribution to the efficiency and morale of both instructors and students. Entered service from New York City, New York. (27 December 1943)

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MYRON F. IHRKE, 36019891, Technician Third Grade, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa and Italy from 11 January 1943 to 1 November 1943. As a clerk in the G-1 Section of Fifth Army Headquarters, Technician Third Grade Ihrke maintained the highest standards of accuracy in the processing of strength reports of the Fifth Army and its assigned and attached units. With a dependability which made supervision largely unneccessary, he completed his vitally important and exacting work within the required time limits. He particularly distinguished himself in the collection of accurate daily reports and organizational strength and casualties during the initial operations in Italy. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois. (20 December 1943)

GORDON H. HUNT, 35210759, Staff Sergeant, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa and Sicily from 8 November 1942 to 13 August 1943. As platoon leader of an infantry cannon company, Sergeant Hunt by his personal examples of courage and outstanding leadership both in and out of combat, was an inspiration to his entire company. He served most commendably as platoon leader in the absence of the platoon officer. When his gun position was subjected to heavy artillery fire his calm and courageous direction of fire enabled his platoon to deliver effective support to the regiment. Entered service from Ashland, Kentucky. (14 December 1943)

PETER A. CAROZZA, 32002132, Staff Sergeant, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during combat in North Africa and Sicily from 8 November 1942 to 13 August 1943. During intense fighting in the Kasserine Pass when the platoon leader was captured, the platoon sergeant missing, and the men hopelessly disorganized, Sergeant Carozza quickly assembled the platoon and skillfully led it to safety through devastating artillery and machine gun fire. He continued to exhibit these sterling qualities of leadership throughout, and his personal courage and selflessness were an unfailing source of inspiration to the spirit of his unit. Entered service from New York, New York. (14 December 1943)

WOODROW P. KERR, 35016490, Staff Sergeant, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in Sicily from 10 July 1943 to 18 August 1943. In addition to performing his heavy duties as motor sergeant, Company "C", 1st Armored Signal Battalion, in collaboration with his chief mechanic he was responsible for the construction of an improvised arc welder and several motor driven railroad handcars. These devices, constructed entirely from captured materials, were invaluable in the hasty construction and maintenance of vital wire circuits bordering rail lines that were not accessible to motor vehicles. Entered service from Cygnet, Ohio. (26 December 1943)

HENRY W. NOWAK, 32014587, Staff Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 60th Infantry, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from November 1942 to May 1943. Sergeant Nowak's exceptionally able leadership and superior performance of duty during this regiment's operations in North Africa have caused him to be regarded as an outstanding soldier. On one occasion, when no medical officer was available, his administering of blood-plasma saved a wounded soldier's life. During a period of intense battle in the Tunisian Campaign, his timely leadership of his men through difficult terrain to establish a forward aid station under heavy enemy fire made possible the expedi-

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tious treatment of large numbersof casualties and their successful removal for hospitalization. Entered service from Brooklyn, New York. (31 December 1943)

DONALD C. SEMPLE, 32047486, Staff Sergeant, Company "M", 60th Infantry, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 8 November 1942 to 15 August 1943. He displayed a zeal and proficiency of an exceptionally high order in the performance of his duties as a mess sergeant in three major campaigns. On one occasion when his unit was hard pressed, his effective leadership of the company's cooks in battle was an important factor in the successful outcome of the engagement. His determined resourcefulness in bringing food and supplies to his organization under all conditions of difficult terrain, adverse weather, and enemy action contributed greatly to the success of its missions. Entered service from Albany, New York. (31 December 1943)

CLAUDE W. WILBURN, 15065338, Staff Sergeant, Company "A", Maintenance Battalion, 1st Armored Division, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 8 December 1942 to 10 May 1943. Demonstrating an unusual proficiency in the diagnosis of mechanical breakdowns, he assisted greatly in restoring large numbers of immobilized tanks during combat operations in Tunisia. His cool and confident manner in performance of duty, while under fire, was an inspirating example for his entire company. Entered service from Kehoe, Kentucky. (26 December 1943)

ANTHONY GOULARTE, 6083551, First Sergeant, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 21 December 1942 to 30 October 1943. As first sergeant of Headquarters Company, Fifth Army, Sergeant Goularte, by his superior leadership contributed outstandingly in training and organizing the headquarters company from a small cadre to an efficiently operating group of several hundred men. He consistently demonstrated a willing enthusiasm and excellent judgment in the many difficult and complex tasks assigned him. Entered service from Junction City, Kansas. (27 December 1943)

KARL R. HEIMAN, 6712137, First Sergeant, Battery "B", 32d Field Artillery Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in the salvaging of artillery equipment in March, 1943. During the Tunisian Campaign while cut off from battery officers he organized a crew which, during a twenty-four hour period, successfully salvaged over twenty vehicles and a battery of howitzers. With unusual resourcefulness, he ascertained the battery's probable location, led the vehicles there, and had the position completely organized to fire when the scattered personnel was reassembled. Entered service from Clarence Center, New York.(26 December 1943)

CARL H. HULL, 16002490, First Sergeant, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as supply sergeant, 2[illegible]57 Battalion, Headquarters Company, 60th Infantry, from 8 November 1942 to 12 May 1943. Upon hearing of the counter-attack at Djebel Dardys during the Tunisian Campaign, he quickly anticipated the dire need of blood plasma and his aggressive-ness in having the plasma to the scene of action was instrumental in the saving of many lives. His resourcefulness was further exhibited by his ingenius construction of mobile water tanks from enemy equipment, and his creation of effective means for the control and delivery of supplies. Entered service from Sioux Falls, South Dakota. (31 December 1943)

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CARL J. UEBELHOER, 32029606, First Sergeant, Company "A", 60th Infantry, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa and Sicily from 8 November 1942 to 15 August 1943. On numerous occasions during critical periods, his timely delivery to front line positions of urgently needed rations and ammunition enabled his unit to successfully complete its missions. During heavy fighting Sergeant Uebelhoer often ignored long safe routes when more direct ones, though obviously more dangerous, would facilitate the speedy arrival of supplies. Both in and out of battle he demonstrated qualities of leadership and a concern for the welfare of his men which were a continual inspiration to the organization. Entered service from Lancaster, New York. (31 December 1943)

WALTER V. BUTLER, 39155768, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Detachment, 32d Quartermaster (Trk) Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as battalion motor sergeant from 14 March 1943 to 12 November 1943. By his resourcefulness, unflagging efforts, and mechanical knowledge Master Sergeant Butler made an important contribution to the success of his battalion during the entire Tunisian Campaign. During the invasion of Sicily he displayed equal brilliance when he successfully salvaged all available parts for the quick repair of widely scattered DUKWS which enabled a maximum flow of heavy tonnage. Entered service from Los Angeles, California. (26 December 1943)

ERYNE A. COMROE, 02053976, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Service Company, 16th Infantry, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 11 June 1943 to 8 August 1943. As regimental transportation officer he supervised and facilitated the tactical loading of all vehicles prior to embarkation for the invasion of Sicily. He distinguished himself by placing in operation, almost immediately after the assault landing in Gela, a service pool and de-proofing unit. During the remainder of the campaign he performed invaluable services in the maintenance of a steady flow of supplies to the regiment and in the direction of its shuttle movements. Entered service from Tidioute, Pennsylvania. (26 December 1943)

FRANCIS H. SMITH, 0453915, First Lieutenant, Signal Corps, 128th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from September 1942 to August 1943. Lieutenant Smith's unusual ingenuity in the design and construction of radio interception equipment, and in adapting captured materials for emergency needs, contributed greatly to the successful performance of his unit in North Africa and Sicily. On numerous occasions when essential equipment of the company was destroyed by enemy action, his ability to successfully improvise replacements enabled the organization to continue effective operations. Entered service from Laurel, Mississippi. (26 December 1943)

WILLIAM F. CASSIDY, 018354, Lieutenant Colonel, CE, 21st Engineer Aviation Regiment for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from November 1942 to April 1943. Upon landing with the assault forces at Arzew on 11 November 1942, he was assigned the task of establishing new airdromes and maintaining those then in existence over an extensive area in North Africa. Overcoming shortages of manpower, equipment, and materials,

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Lieutenant Colonel Cassidy carried out his assignment with such dispatch that air schedules were maintained, permitting critical freight to reach the forward areas. Entered United States Military Academy from the United States at large. (4 December 1943)

WILEY H. O'MOHUNDRO, 08545, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa from 1 April 1943 to 3 September 1943. As commanding officer of Area Number Two, Invasion Training Center, Lieutenant Colonel O'Mohundro demonstrated a comprehensive grasp of complex training procedures in the preparation of large numbers of officers and men for land and sea operations. He was thoroughly conscious of the prime importance of alertness, aggressiveness and discipline in invasion tactics, and succeeded to an unusual degree in inculcating these qualities in each individual of the several combat teams under his training. Entered service from Missouri. (27 December 1943)

JOHN L. SALMON, 015837, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as commanding officer and director of a field artillery air observation school from November 1942 to May 1943. When an urgent need arose, Lieutenant Colonel Salmon quickly established a school and thoroughly trained liaison pilots and supporting personnel in time for them to render invaluable services during the Tunisian Campaign. His accomplishments, with a small group of inexperienced instructors and many difficulties, permanently established the effectiveness of the air observation post as a valuable adjunct to artillery operations. Entered service from Marion, South Carolina. (27 December 1943)

HAROLD C. HAYES, 017544, Colonel, SC, Signal Section, Allied Force Headquarters, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 10 August 1942 to 5 November 1943. His foresight, resourcefulness, and determined execution of plans made possible a highly successful signal intelligence service in the North African Theater. Personally responsible for setting up codes and ciphers and the maintenance of signal security, he established devices, procedures, schools, and systems which have proven vitally important. These efforts, and numerous other innovations, which he originated, have created a service which is without counterpart elsewhere. Entered United States Military Academy from Pennsylvania . (21 November 1943)

DOUGLAS J. PAGE, 04495, Colonel, FA, Headquarters, 9th Division Artillery, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 17 February 1943 to 16 August 1943. At the time of the enemy breakthrough at Kasserine Pass he led the division artillery in a difficult forced march, arriving in time to assist in stopping the advance. Despite serious obstacles of bad weather and heavy traffic he efficiently coordinated artillery fire throughout the Tunisian and Sicilian Campaigns. His professional knowledge and attention to detail, exerted over a long period of time, was probably the greatest single factor in molding the division artillery into a fine working team. Entered the United States Military Academy from New York. (31 December 1943)

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JAMES F. TORRENCE, JR., 015191, Colonel, General Staff Corps, (Inf), G-3 Section, Allied Force Headquarters, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 1 September 1942 to 30 August 1943 in connection with the operations in North Africa and Sicily and in the preparation for those in Italy. Colonel Torrence was responsible for the coordination of staff work and the preparation of orders and instructions necessary to insure team-play and harmony in the operations of the combined forces; ground, naval, and air. By his unusually high professional attainments and zeal, he was able to discharge his duties with notable success, thereby contributing directly and powerfully to the success of operations. Entered United States Military Academy from Pennsylvania. (16 December 1943)

PATRICK W. TIMBERLAKE, 015165, Brigadier General, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during the period February 1943 to December 1943. His part in the planning for the operations Husky and Avalanche contributed in a large measure to their success. As Director of Operations and Plans, and later as Chief of Staff, of the Mediterranean Air Command, in occupying a high position in a combined headquarters, he so functioned that the excellence of his services has reflected great credit upon the United States Army Air Forces. Entered United States Military Academy from Tennessee. (28 December 1943)

WILLIAM H. WILBUR, 03365, Brigadier General, United States Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa from 14 May 1943 to 1 September 1943. Assuming directorship of the Fifth Army's training centers at a period when its units were being actively prepared for combat operations, General Wilbur, by his intense application to manifold duties and extraordinary ability to infuse the teachings of previous combat lessons, provided large numbers of officers and men with a training which yielded results of the greatest value in later operations. Entered United States Military Academy from Massachusetts. (27 December 1943)

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AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

Under authority contained in Section IV, War Department Circular Number 131, dated 3 June 1943, a Legion of Merit medal is awarded in the name of the President to each of the following named individuals:

CHARLES S. ODOM, 0480710, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during the Sicilian Campaign. When medical facilities were urgently needed during the rapid advance of American forces on Palermo, Lieutenant Colonel Odom, with the aid of only a small detachment and limited equipment, speedily established facilities for the care of sick and wounded before arrival of regular hospital units. His outstandingly successful handling of Seventh Army's medical needs on this occasion and subsequently during the intensive operations terminating at Messina, contributed importantly to the low mortality among our forces from illness and battle injuries. Entered service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

ELMER B. M. C.SEY, 0390374, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa from 3 December 1942 to 9 October 1943. As commanding officer of a large medical supply depot, he was responsible for the efficient flow of medical supplies to the combat forces in Tunisia, Sicily and Italy and to hospital installations throughout the theater. His tactful dealings with all ranks, his resourcefulness, ingenuity and ability to work under pressure played an important part in the proper functioning of the medical supply services. Entered service from St. Louis, Missouri.

RAYMOND F. MCNALLY, 0294497, Lieutenant Colonel (then 8765 QMC, Headquarters, II Corps, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 7 January 1943 to 7 April 1943. Despite insufficient transportation facilities and personnel deficiencies, Lieutenant Colonel McNally, as quartermaster supply officer, managed to adequately supply combat troops during the critical period of the Tunisian Campaign. Through forceful leadership, he was instrumental in evacuating supplies which would have otherwise been destroyed or captured by the enemy, and in making these stores available to our forces in the successful counter-attacks which followed. Entered service from St. Louis, Missouri.

JOHN G. SCHMEDEMAN, 030610, Lieutenant Colonel, Corps of Engineers, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as an infantry division engineer during the

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Sicilian Campaign. Assigned the mission of ensuring the unimpeded advance of the division, he surmounted natural and enemy-created obstacles which would have discouraged a less determined leader. He constructed thirty-five miles of roads over mountainous terrain made hazardous by mine fields, and improved many miles of impassable trails to make possible the powerful flanking action of the division that played an important part in the enemy's continuous withdrawal and final defeat in Northeastern Sicily. Entered United States Military Academy from Michigan.

MALCOLM R. KAMMERER, 016403, Colonel, Infantry, G-3 Section, Headquarters, Fifth Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 1 July 1943 to 23 September 1943. During the period of planning for the Italian invasion, his unfailing tact and excellent judgment in the performance of liaison duties between Allied Air, Navy and Ground Forces contributed greatly toward the maximum cooperation of all participating elements. His superior professional knowledge, keen tactical grasp, and active personal contact with combat forces during the early phases of actual operations, were important factors in the success of the Fifth Army. Entered United States Military Academy from New York.

GEORGE E. MARSH, 011241, Colonel, General Staff Corps, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as Chief of Staff of an infantry division from 30 March 1943 to 17 August 1943. Assuming his duties during a critical period of operations, Colonel Marsh overcame intricate problems to mold his staff into a smoothly operating team. His wise counsel on tactical and administrative matters, his drive and persistence, and his efficient coordination of the division's rapid moves, contributed greatly to its success throughout the Tunisian and Sicilian Campaigns. Entered United States Military Academy from Kansas.

NEAL E. McKAY, 012513, Colonel, General Staff Corps, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 25 February 1943 to 30 September 1943. As Deputy Chief of Staff, Headquarters Services of Supply, North African Theater of Operations, Colonel McKay formulated the rudiments of the supply functions of the headquarters. He exhibited momentous initiative and seasoned profundity in the fusion of supply activities of the various base sections, and in the procurement of supplies from the Zone of the Interior and their distribution throughout the theater. Entered service from Texas.

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AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

Under authority contained in Section IV, War Department Circular Number 151, dated 5 June 1943, a Legion of Merit medal is awarded in the name of the President to each of the following named individuals:

LLOYD E. VOGEL, 35104400, Staff Sergeant, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 14 January 1943 to 19 August 1943 in North Africa. Through a diligent and conscientious application of effort which made no concession to normal limits of physical endurance, Staff Sergeant Vogel organized and maintained in Fifth Army Headquarters a classified mail and distribution section which, by its exceptionally efficient functioning, contributed outstandingly to the smooth and effective operation of the Adjutant General's Section and of the entire headquarters. Entered service from Lawrenceburg, Indiana.

HUBERT L. HELLER, 6288327, Technical Sergeant, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa and Italy from 11 June 1943 to 23 October 1943. As noncommissioned officer in charge of the surgical service of an evacuation hospital, he devised a system for increasing the facilities of the sterilizing room. He thoroughly trained assistants in efficient surgical service practices, and in addition, worked most effectively with seriously wounded patients in the shock ward. 3734
Entered service from San Antonio, Texas.

HOBART T. LAWTON, 6355330, Master Sergeant, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa from 5 January 1943 to 18 July 1943. Assigned the task of creating an efficient organization for the administration of artillery functions in the newly activated Fifth Army Headquarters, he speedily developed a group of newly assigned men into an adequately functioning section. Continuing his training of the men under him, he perfected them in the performance of their duties to a degree which enabled the section to handle in an outstanding manner, the large volume of important work devolving upon it during the months of Fifth Army's preparation for operations in Italy. Entered service from Louisville, Kentucky.

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WILLIAM K. SOMERS, 01583224, First Lieutenant, Quartermaster Corps, 250th Quartermaster Salvage Collection Company, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 29 May 1943 to 14 June 1943. Under his skilled leadership and attention to detail, the packing, marking and shipping of great quantities of essential Class II and IV supplies were accomplished smoothly and in conformance with exacting operational schedules. His determined application to his assigned task, despite an accident which cost him the loss of an eye, was a major factor in the successful supply of units preparing for the invasion of Sicily. Entered service from Seattle, Washington.

WILLIAM R. TURNBOW, 0336780, Captain, Medical Corps, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as chief anesthetist of an evacuation hospital in Tunisia and Italy from 11 June 1943 to 20 October 1943. Captain Turnbow's exceptional professional knowledge and ingenuity in devising numerous improvements to his unit's anesthesia equipment resulted in a high degree of operating room efficiency. He successfully administered and supervised great numbers of anesthesias, expanded medical facilities, and displayed extraordinary fidelity and capacity for work. Entered service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

L. GRAY [illegible], JR., 0308732, Major (then Captain), Signal Corps, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 4 October 1942 to 15 November 1942, in connection with the planning and effective establishment of a wire communication system during the initial operations in North Africa. As Center Task Force communications officer, he landed with the assault forces on 8 November. With extraordinary initiative, adroit conversion to military use of existing telephone and telegraph facilities, and the rapid extension of lines as troops advanced, he established, within a few days, adequate and dependable communications between the important centers at Casablanca, Oran, and Algiers. By his superior accomplishment of this difficult mission, he rendered services vital to the success of the entire operation. Entered service from Everett, Washington.

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Award of Distinguished Service Cross.....I
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I -- AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named officer:

KARL L. POLIFKA, 021500, Lieutenant Colonel, Air Corps, for extraordinary heroism over the Italian battlefront on 26 November 1943. Four times during the day, with stops only for refuelling, Lieutenant Colonel Polifka flew extremely low level sorties in the face of bitter anti-aircraft fire to make photographic reconnaissance of enemy artillery emplacements which had been holding up the Fifth Army advance. Many camouflaged positions were located by the actual muzzle blasts of the guns firing at him, and the information he obtained was so accurate as to indicate the most favorable direction of attack against a series of strong mountain defenses. His gallantry and superior airmanship contributed vitally to a successful advance by our forces. Entered service from Watsonville, California.

II - AWARD OF SOLDIERS MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

HARRELL R. MCCLURG, 20910733, Sergeant, and LIONEL G. SHEPHERD, 20631585, Private, for heroism on 12 September 1943 aboard a transport at sea. When the vessel was torpedoed during the night, and enlisted man was thrown into the hole of an opened hatch which immediately filled with oil and water. Although the order to abandon ship had been given, Sergeant McClurg and Private Shepherd descended into the hold of the lurching ship on a wildly swaying rope ladder and searched in the treacherous darkness for the missing man. Finally, finding him in a semi-conscious state, they carried him with extreme difficulty up the rope ladder to the deck and revived him by artificial respiration. Entered service from Tulare, California, and Lincoln Park, Michigan, respectively.

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III - AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT

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CLARENCE J. PORTE, 14027784, Staff Sergeant, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during operations in North Africa and Sicily from 8 November 1942 to 15 August 1943. In charge of mule trains carrying supplies to front line troops, Sergeant Porte, by determination, skillful maneuvering and intrepidity, unfailingly completed each mission despite difficult mountainous terrain, and the hazards of snipers, mines and enemy artillery fire. His courage, leadership and example were evidenced in his unit's success and effectiveness. Entered service from Valrico, Florida.

CLYDE THICHER, 15056072, Staff Sergeant, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 20 January 1943 to 13 August 1943 as platoon sergeant of a rifle platoon. Sergeant Thicher displayed outstanding qualities of leadership and efficiency throughout the Tunisian and Sicilian Campaigns. His constant attention to the individual condition and equipment of his men contributed greatly to their morale and to their effectiveness in battle. He repeatedly jeopardized his own safety in order to closely direct his men in combat. He was wounded in action on four occasions and his words and example have been an everlasting inspiration to the company. Entered service from Dayton, Ohio.

EDWARD P. PIETROSKI, 32055385, Staff Sergeant, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 6 August 1943 to 15 August 1943. In the action at Troina, Sicily, he assumed command of his battalion wire section in the absence of the communications officer, and established and maintained wire communications despite a lack of personnel, obstacles of rugged mountainous terrain, and constant enemy shelling. Sergeant Pietroski's unswerving service throughout the campaign of Sicily was an inspiration and material aid to the officers and men of his battalion. Entered service from New Providence, New Jersey.

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