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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 officer:

PAUL C. SHEELINE, 0579204, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, Army of the United States, for gallantry in action against the enemy in France, from 30 August to 13 September 1944. Parachuting into the Ardeche, on 30 August 1944, to act as liaison officer between the French Forces of the Interior and certain American operational groups then moving into the area, First Lieutenant Sheeline helped plan and took active part in the attack on the city of Lyons, on 3 September 1944. At 1100 hours he led five French Maquis, armed with rifles, grenades, and sub-machine guns, into a barricaded building, near the Place Bellecour, and took the building, despite the risks of sub-machine gun fire, from above. During the remainder of the day and on the next, First Lieutenant Sheeline accompanied small Maquis groups in other successful searches for snipers. As a result of the attack, the city was cleared of all enemy elements and made available for occupation by Allied Forces in a minimum of time, thereby reflecting great credit upon First Lieutenant Sheeline and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered service from Washington, D. C.

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 personnel:

GEORGE W. STOEHR, 33173417, Technical Sergeant, (then Technician Third Grade), Command Section, Headquarters North African Service Command, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 11 November 1942 to 28 February 1945. Entered service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 2628

SYDNEY T. BURTON, S/72057, Staff Sergeant Major, Warrant Officer I, (then Warrant Officer II), Royal Army Service Corps, British Army, Adjutant General's Section, Allied Force Headquarters, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in North Africa and Italy from 22 December 1942 to 22 February 1945. Entered service from Hornchurch, Essex, England.

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FREDERICK A. HARRIS, 0329916, First Lieutenant, Quartermaster Corps, 4100th Quartermaster Service Company, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in Sicily from 10 July to 13 July 1943. Entered service from Vicksburg, Mississippi.

RALPH G. HICKEY, 0490925, First Lieutenant, Transportation Corps, Company C 727th Railway Operating Battalion, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in North Africa, Sicily and Italy from 20 January 1943 to 1 September 1944.

EUGENE L. ATTEBERY, 0422510, Captain, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters, Northern Base Section, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Corsica from 15 February 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered service from Brownwood, Texas.

HUBERT H. McDUGAL, 0468096, Captain, Ordnance Department, 3106th Ordnance Base Armored Vehicle Maintenance Company, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Italy from 21 December 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered service from San Antonio, Texas.

REDMOND J. CONNOLLY, 0255066, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, for meritorious achievement in connection with combat operations in England, North Africa and Italy from 17 September 1942 to 23 May 1944. Entered service from Brooklyn, 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:

JOHN M. BRADY, 32119139, Master Sergeant, 6709th Criminal Investigation Division Platoon, for services in North Africa from 1 June 1943 to 1 July 1944. Entered service from Woodhaven, New York.

DAVID EINHORN, 32429976, Master Sergeant, 6709th Criminal Investigation Division Platoon, for services in North Africa from 1 June 1943 to 1 July 1944. Entered service from New York City.

EDGAR R. OPPENHEIM, 0452491, Major, Adjutant General's Department, Adjutant General's Section, Allied Force Headquarters, for services in North Africa and Italy from 1 September 1943 to 1 July 1945. Entered service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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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 men:

DENNIS POLLARD, 5502807, Sergeant, 1st Reconnaissance Regiment, Royal Armored Corps, British Army, for gallantry in action at Caldine, Italy on 1 September 1944 and again at Broglia, Italy on 9 December 1944. As commander of a medium armored car section which was leading the advance through Caldine, Sergeant Pollard had cleared the village when the enemy counter attacked and reoccupied their positions, thus cutting off the patrol and being in a position to surprise the advancing infantry. Immediately Sergeant Pollard turned his section around and attacked the enemy at close quarters and after a fierce fight recaptured the village. Later on 9 December 1944, while section commander of a night fighting patrol ordered to attack an enemy strong point to obtain prisoners, Sergeant Pollard and his section upon reaching the enemy position was attacked on two sides by a superior enemy force. Sergeant Pollard immediately attacked one section with hand grenades at very close range and then after moving his section to cover the remainder of the patrol, found himself face to face with a third enemy section. With complete disregard for his own safety he led his section straight at the enemy completely overwhelming them and then rushing to the assistance of the rest of the patrol, succeeded in withdrawing the entire patrol with four enemy prisoners, thereby courageously and successfully completing his mission. Entered service from Portsmouth, England.

WILLIAM GORDON, 833407, Battery Sergeant Major, 29th Field Battery, 19th Field Regiment Royal Artillery, British Army, for gallantry in action near Castagno Italy on 25 October 1944. Responsible for controlling the fire of his guns as well as repairing broken communication lines, Battery Sergeant Major Gordon, by his prompt and heroic action while under intense enemy shellfire, enabled an important enemy target to be engaged and destroyed at a time when speed was vital to the success of the Allied Forces. His courage, leadership, and devotion to duty were exemplary of the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the Allied Nations. Entered service from Fleet, Hampshire, England.

GEORGE CHARNICK, 7015855, Company Sergeant Major, 2d Battalion, London Irish Rifles, British Army, for gallantry in action near Monte Spadara, Italy on 22 October 1944. Left at Battalion Headquarters to organize ammunition supplies while his company moved forward to repel an enemy counter attack, Company Sergeant Major Charnick, without guides led an ammunition party to contact his company which had become heavily engaged and had run into an enemy mine field and were being counter attacked by the enemy. He delivered the ammunition and then organized and led a party in evacuating four wounded men from the minefield. His courage, leadership and devotion to duty while operating under intense enemy artillery and machine gun fire in the middle of the night over unknown terrain, reflect great credit

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upon himself and the Armed Forces of the Allied Nations. Entered service from Dagenham, Essex, England.

LIONEL GROVES, 6348538, Company Sergeant Major, 6th Battalion, The Queen's Own Royal West Kent Regiment, British Army, for gallantry in action in Italy on 13 December 1944. When the two leading platoons of his company met heavy opposition and were pinned down during an Allied attack on enemy strongpoints, with radio communication lost and platoon runners unable to locate their units, Company Sergeant Major Groves, realizing the gravity of the situation, unhesitatingly went forward to find the platoon attacking on the right. Upon contact with the platoon he assisted the commander in reorganizing and then returned to company headquarters to report the situation, then he immediately went forward to locate the order platoon. Finding that the commander had been wounded and the platoon sergeant missing he reorganized the men within thirty yards of the enemy and launched an attack, however due to the extremely heavy fire he had to withdraw but not until all casualties had been safely evacuated did he himself return to the company. His courage, leadership and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the Allied Nations. Entered service from Tunbridge Wells, Kent, England.

ALFRED J. DOWN, 399436, Regimental Sergeant Major, 75th Shropshire Yeomanry Medium Regiment Royal Artillery, British Army, for gallantry in action near Fontanelice, Italy on 11 December 1944. When it became necessary to establish a Regimental Headquarters in a position in front of the battery area and in full view of the enemy, occupation could not be made until after dark. As five essential vehicles drew toward the position without the use of lights they became stuck, almost immediately the enemy commenced to harass the area with artillery fire. Regimental Sergeant Major Down in charge of the parking, unloading and dispersal of these vehicles, displayed outstanding courage, determination and leadership in skillfully supervising the removal and dispersal of the vehicles. During the entire operation, enemy shellfire continually fell in the area causing a severe casualty, whereupon Regimental Sergeant Major Down with complete disregard for his own safety, evacuated the wounded man and continued to direct the removal of the vehicles in record time. Entered service from Shrewsbury, Shropshire, England.

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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 men:

KENNETH H. A. TRIBE, 5780431, Sapper, 626th Field Squadron Royal Engineers, 6th British Armored Division, British Army, for gallantry in action near Scopeti, Italy on 4 September 1944. As a member of a patrol which was sent out to ascertain the condition of a road forward of Allied position, Sapper Tribe led the way, as it was believed that shell craters along the road had been mined by the enemy. Despite the total darkness, he made his way across six craters lifting eight enemy mines. Before reaching the next crater, movement was heard from an enemy machine gun post close to the road ahead of the patrol. Realizing that there was very little chance of the whole patrol passing unseen, Sapper Tribe volunteered to go forward alone. He successfully accomplished this and returned with valuable information concerning the road and a destroyed bridge, which proved of great value in subsequent operations. Entered service from London, England.

RANGIN KHAN, 8892, Naik, 3rd Battalion, 15th Punjab Regiment, British Indian Army, for gallantry in action near Casola Valsenio, Italy on 29 November 1944 and 2 December 1944. While leading a patrol on 29 November 1944, Naik Rangin Khan, upon reaching a house suspected of harboring Germans and although he had no knowledge of the enemy strength dashed forward with great determination and upon seeing a German soldier jump from a window in an attempt to escape he shot him down and then rushed into the house alone and disarmed and captured two more enemy soldiers. On 2 December 1944 while again leading a patrol, followed a stronger German patrol which was making off with a British prisoner, Naik Rangin Khan in spite of intense fire from the German patrol dashed forward and at close range opened fire with his automatic weapon wounding two and forcing the remainder of the patrol to abandon their prisoner and withdraw. His courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the Allied Nations. Entered service from Isak Chontra, Punjab, India.

RONALD CLARK, 2615210, Lance Sergeant, 3d Battalion, Grenadier Guards, British Army, for gallantry in action near Monte Acqua Salato, Italy on 4 December 1944. Acting as Signal Sergeant at the Battalion Command Post during a carefully planned attack when it was essential that all communications to companies, mortars and machine guns be maintained throughout the night, Lance Sergeant Clark upon learning that the line to the forward positions had been cut by enemy shellfire went out under extremely heavy enemy fire to repair the break. Realizing that the wire would probably again be broken, he remained in the midst of the enemy barrage testing, repairing and patrolling the line for six hours until the Allied attack was reported as successfully completed. By his courage and complete disregard for his own personal safety, communication with all units were kept in constant operation, thereby contributing materially to the success of the entire operation. Entered service from Brenchley, Paddock Wood, Kent, England.

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PAUL E. J. HARVEY, 6351131, Lance Sergeant, 2d Battalion, The Sherwood Foresters, British Army, for gallantry in action near Borgo San Lorenzo, Italy, on 14 September 1944. Commanding a section which was attacking the German Gothic Line and was stopped by enemy barbed wire entanglements, Lance Sergeant Harvey while under heavy enemy machine gun fire and with complete disregard for his own safety cut a passage through the wire enabling his section to continue the advance. Soon after passing through the wire, the platoon was held up by heavy machine gun fire from the right flank, Lance Sergeant Harvey, with great gallantry rushed the enemy gun single handed and put the crew out of action by killing two and wounding one, thus enabling his platoon to advance and capture its objective. Entered service from Colwyn Bay, North Wales.

F. LYTTLE, 6980795, Lance Sergeant, 2nd Battalion, The Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, British Army, for gallantry in action in Italy on 23 October 1944. During an attack on an enemy held ridge near Mt. Spaduro, Lance Sergeant Lyttle was commanding the leading section of his company which after advancing through continuous mortar and machine gun fire was halted within 100 yards of the final objective. Realizing that the momentum of the attack should not be halted at this stage he gave an immediate order to rush the position with bayonet and grenade and dashing forward ahead of his men through withering fire he reached the enemy position and personally destroyed the machine gun post killing one of its occupants and wounding the other. Then on noticing that one of the other sections of his platoon was held up by a similar position further to his right, Lance Sergeant Lyttle, though wounded and refusing to be evacuated, immediately reorganized his section and led them in the assault which destroyed another strong enemy position. His courage and leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered service from Belfast, Ireland.

JOHN M. SUTTON, 948192, Sergeant, 3d Survey Regiment Royal Artillery, British Army, for gallantry in action in Italy from 15 to 20 October 1944. As non-commissioned officer in charge of a Flash Spotting Observation Post, Sergeant Sutton, maintained, under extremely adverse conditions of weather and terrain as well as under constant enemy fire a superior post which was responsible for much useful intelligence and counter battery information which materially assisted his troops in locating and destroying many enemy batteries. Sergeant Sutton's exemplary courage, leadership and judgment in operating his post as well as keeping it constantly supplied in spite of the adverse conditions, reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the Allied Nations. Entered service from Rugby, Warwickshire, England.

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- Award of Distinguished Service Cross I
- Award of Silver Star II
- Award of Legion of Merit III

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 personnel:

NICHOLAS PISKON, 843280, Lance Sergeant, 2d Battalion, The Lancashire Fusiliers British Army, for extraordinary heroism in action against the enemy at Monte Spaduro, Italy on 23 October 1944 and again at Glo. Di. Maletto, Italy on 16 November 1944. Demonstrating great daring and courage as a section commander, Lance Sergeant Piskon, led his section against heavy opposition into enemy defences, killing and wounding a number of the enemy and successfully consolidating his section on their objective and then playing a major role in beating off an intense enemy counter attack. Later on 16 November 1944 he led a fighting patrol to a position which was in enemy hands. His patrol was ambushed and came under very heavy fire from all sides and was pinned down, however, Lance Sergeant Piskon demonstrating great courage advanced alone towards a German machine gun nest firing his machine gun as he went, then with the magazine empty he used his weapon as a club, killing two and capturing two of the enemy gunners, and then withdrew his patrol and prisoners into his own lines. His courage, leadership and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered service from Cloby, Isle of Man, England.

JAMES POTTS, 3854584, Lance Sergeant, 1st Battalion, The Loyal Worth Lancashire Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action against the enemy near Florence, Italy on 25 August 1944. As his company was advancing up a steep and broken ridge, the enemy suddenly opened very heavy machine gun fire from strong points in fortified houses, causing many casualties, immediately without waiting for orders, Lance Sergeant Potts organized an attack on the nearest enemy post. Placing a machine gun in position to give covering fire, he led the assault on the house and as the first to rush the door he killed several enemy soldiers with his automatic weapon, thereby assisting to wipe out the entire garrison. The silencing of this particular post enabled his company commander to carry out his plan for dealing with the enemy and in rescuing the wounded. Lance Sergeant Potts' outstanding courage, leadership and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered service from Wolverhampton, England.

SHAUN STEWART, 200311, Major, Infantry, 6th Battalion, The Queen's Own Royal West Kent Regiment, British Army, for extraordinary heroism in action against the enemy near Camaggio, Italy on 13 December 1944. When his battalion was ordered to attack an enemy strongpoint and one company had been driven back, Major Stewart with his automatic weapon blazing fire into the enemy, led his company forward over exposed muddy ground, covered by enemy mortar and machine gun fire, and seized the

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objective. On the objective he organized his men and in spite of intense enemy fire from a position which overlooked his, Major Stewart disregarding the enemy fire toured the area encouraging his men. On two occasions he went alone ahead of the company to investigate suspected enemy movement. Although badly wounded by a burst of machine gun fire when he suspected an enemy counter-attack was about to begin he personally controlled the artillery fire and caused considerable casualties to the enemy. His outstanding gallantry, courage, and devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered service from South Croydon, Surrey, England.

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 enlisted man:

RAGHU KHATE, 12208, Sepoy, 1st Battalion, 5th Mahratta Light Infantry Regiment, British Indian Army, for gallantry in action in Italy on 13 September 1944. Sepoy Raghu Khate was a member of the leading section of his platoon during an advance on an enemy strong point when an enemy machine gun opened fire on the flank of the advancing column. Demonstrating great initiative and gallantry Sepoy Raghu Khate broke off from his section and single handedly charged the enemy position. Though met with a hail of machine gun bullets and splinters from grenades he dashed into the position, killed two Germans and captured two more. As a result of his prompt and courageous action his platoon over ran the enemy strong point inflicting heavy casualties without loss to themselves. Entered service from Gakarathi, Belgaum, India.

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 for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

RICHARD N. ATWELL, 07293, Colonel, Ordnance Department, Headquarters Communication Zone North African Theater of Operations, for services in North Africa and Italy from 10 January to 19 November 1944. Entered service from Maryland.

LOUIE P. TURNER, 017069, Colonel, Inspector General's Department, Headquarters Twelfth Air Force, for services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 17 February 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered service from Birmingham, Alabama.

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