

APPENDIX

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

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1. MEDAL OF HONOR

GENERAL ORDERS

WAR DEPARTMENT

No. 97

Washington 25, D. C., 1 November 45

MEDAL OF HONOR.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD, Bul. 43, 1918), a Medal of Honor for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty was awarded by the War Department in the name of Congress to the following-named officer:

First Lieutenant *Edward A. Silk*, 01310890, commanded the weapons platoon of Company E, 398th Infantry Regiment, Army of the United States, on 23 November 1944, when the 2d Battalion was assigned the mission of seizing high ground overlooking Moyonmoutier, France, prior to an attack on the city itself. His company jumped off in the lead at dawn and by noon had reached the edge of a wood in the vicinity of St. Pravel, where scouts saw an enemy sentry standing guard before a farmhouse in a valley below. One squad, engaged in reconnoitering the area, was immediately pinned down by intense machine-gun and automatic-weapons fire from within the house. Skillfully deploying his light machine gun section, Lieutenant *Silk* answered the enemy fire, but when 15 minutes had elapsed with no slackening of resistance, he decided to eliminate the strong point by a one-man attack. Running 100 yards across an open field to the shelter of a low stone wall directly in front of the farmhouse, he fired into the door and windows with his carbine, then, in full view of the enemy, vaulted the wall and dashed 50 yards through a hail of bullets to the left side of the house, where he hurled a grenade through a window, silencing a machine gun and killing two gunners. In attempting to move to the right side of the building, he drew fire from a second machine gun emplaced in a woodshed. With magnificent courage, he rushed this position in the face of direct fire and succeeded in neutralizing the weapon and killing two gunners by throwing grenades into the structure. His supply of grenades was exhausted by now, but undaunted, he dashed back to the side of the farmhouse and began to throw rocks through a window, demanding the surrender of the remaining enemy. Twelve Germans, overcome by relentless assault and confused by his unorthodox methods, gave up to the lone American. By his gallant willingness to assume the full burden of the attack and the intrepidity with which he carried out his extremely hazardous mission, Lieutenant *Silk* enabled his battalion to continue its advance and seize its objective.

GENERAL ORDERS

No. 4

WAR DEPARTMENT

Washington 25, D.C., 9 January 1946

MEDAL OF HONOR.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), a Medal of Honor for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty was awarded by the War Department in the name of Congress to the following-named enlisted man:

Sergeant *Mike Colalillo* (Army serial No. 37588843) (then private first class), Company C, 398th Infantry Regiment, Army of the United States, was pinned down with other members of his company during an attack against strong enemy positions in the vicinity of Untergriesheim, Germany, on 7 April 1945. Heavy artillery, mortar, and machine-gun fire made any move hazardous but Private *Colalillo* stood up, shouted to the company to follow, and ran forward in the wake of a supporting tank, firing his machine pistol. Inspired by his example, his comrades advanced in the face of savage enemy fire. When his weapon was struck by shrapnel and rendered useless, he climbed to the deck of a friendly tank, manned an exposed machine gun on the turret of the vehicle, and, while bullets rattled about him, fired at an enemy emplacement with such devastating accuracy that he killed or wounded, at least 10 hostile soldiers and destroyed their machine gun. Maintaining his extremely dangerous post as the tank forged ahead, he blasted three more positions, destroyed another machine gun emplacement, and silenced all resistance in his area, killing at least three and wounding an undetermined number of riflemen as they fled. His machine gun eventually jammed; so he secured a submachine gun from the tank crew to continue his attack on foot. When our armored forces exhausted their ammunition and the order to withdraw was given, he remained behind to help a seriously wounded comrade to safety over several hundred yards of open terrain rocked by an intense enemy artillery and mortar barrage. By his intrepidity and inspiring courage, Private *Colalillo* gave tremendous impetus to his company's attack, killed or wounded 25 of the enemy in bitter fighting, and assisted a wounded soldier in reaching the American lines at great risk to his own life.

2. DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

HEADQUARTERS U. S. FORCES, EUROPEAN THEATER

GENERAL ORDERS
No. 306

November 6, 1945

EXTRACT

IV—DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of AR 600-45 September 22, 1943 as amended the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to:

Sgt. Charles E. Compton, Jr., 14130845, Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action, as Communications Sergeant, Company G, 398th Infantry Regiment, on April 6, 1945. When a cleverly concealed enemy machine gun opened fire on his platoon as it attempted to cross the Jagst River, Sergeant Compton seized an automatic rifle and with one blast destroyed the enemy weapon and killed the three members of the crew. He then rescued four wounded men, carrying them boldly through fireswept terrain, and rendered a hostile infantryman unconscious with a single blow of his helmet when the enemy soldier, approaching from the rear, called upon him to surrender. The unparalleled gallantry displayed by Sergeant Compton contributed materially to the success of the operation and upon two occasions prevented infliction of severe casualties upon our troops. Entered military service from Alabama.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL EISENHOWER:

W. B. SMITH,
Lieutenant General, USA,
Chief of Staff

HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY
WESTERN MILITARY DISTRICT
APO 758

US Army

GENERAL ORDERS
No. 645

November 14, 1945

EXTRACT

I—AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, September 22, 1943, as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

Sgt. Charles R. Johnson, 14182066, Infantry, Company A, 398th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on April 7-8, 1945 in Germany. When his unit was subjected to heavy automatic fire, Sergeant Johnson leaped from his foxhole and charged the enemy. After throwing a grenade into an enemy machine gun emplacement, he followed through and annihilated the position's 4-man crew with rifle fire. He then destroyed the German weapon and rejoined his comrades. Sergeant Johnson's courageous actions, which permitted his company to advance upon its objective, reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Headland, Alabama.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL KEYES:

JOHN M. WILLEMS,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff

HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY
WESTERN MILITARY DISTRICT
AFO 758 US Army

GENERAL ORDERS
No. 603

October 11, 1945

EXTRACT

AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, September 22, 1943, as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross awarded posthumously, by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

Pfc. Virgil J. Gooch, 35247219, Infantry, Company M, 398th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on April 4, 1945 in the vicinity of Heilbronn, Germany. Assigned the mission of crossing the Neckar River and securing the right bank, Private First Class Gooch, a member of a machine gun platoon supporting a rifle company, reached a railroad where he rapidly set up his machine gun on a bridge offering excellent fields of fire. At 0900 hours the enemy, under cover of intense artillery and mortar fire and supported by tanks, assaulted friendly positions and succeeded in cutting off forward elements. A limited withdrawal was ordered and Private First Class Gooch volunteered to cover the movement. Intrepidly maintaining his exposed position, he diverted the enemy attack by his accurate fire, killing fifteen of the enemy and wounding an unestimated number before he was killed. Next of Kin: Mrs. Ethel M. Gooch (Mother), 335 Lynn Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

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GENERAL ORDERS
No. 620

October 18, 1945

EXTRACT

I—AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, September 22, 1943, as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

Second Lt. Marvin L. Larson, 02000794, Infantry, Company I, 398th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on January 28, 1945, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. Leading a combat patrol on a night mission, Lieutenant Larson had penetrated well within enemy lines when he detonated a hostile mine. The explosion blew off his foot and drew intensive fire from enemy positions. Ordering his men to withdraw without him, he delivered accurate and effective covering fire and killed four Germans who attempted to capture him. He then applied an improvised tourniquet and dressing to his wound and painfully and laboriously crawled through enemy defenses back to friendly troops. The indomitable courage and resolution displayed by Lieutenant Larson reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Staten Island, New York.

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Chief of Staff

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GENERAL ORDERS
No. 589

October 8, 1945

EXTRACT

I—AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45 September 22, 1943 as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded posthumously by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

T/Sgt. Frank B. Bujnowski, 32252715, Infantry, Company A, 398th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on April 8, 1945 in the vicinity of Odheim, Germany. After gaining the crest of a strategically important hill, Sergeant Bujnowski's platoon met severe enemy fire and was unable to advance. Determined to push forward, Sergeant Bujnowski moved to the front of his platoon, defying enemy fire, and gave the order to attack. Firing his submachine gun, he destroyed one hostile machine gun nest. He killed two more Germans and, when his ammunition was exhausted, continued to fight with a wounded man's rifle. While charging another enemy emplacement, he was hit by a machine gun burst but continued moving forward until he was hit again and instantly killed. His daring, inspiring leadership and audacious action broke the back of the enemy resistance in the area. Next of Kin: Mrs. Edith Bujnowski (Mother, 29 Hawk Street, Amsterdam, New York.)

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S/Sgt. Loma M. Hash, 37738830, Infantry, Company C, 398th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on April 7, 1945 in the vicinity of Odheim, Germany. When stubborn enemy resistance halted the attack, Sergeant Hash moved forward alone, alternately running and crawling, and first hurled a grenade into an opposing machine-gun emplacement and then charged the position, killing the three occupants. His action inspired his comrades to follow him and he continued to advance, firing into each entrenchment. When two hostile soldiers surrendered to him and then attempted to fire upon his comrades, he killed them both. The enemy directed intense fire at him, but Sergeant Hash refused to seek cover and was eventually killed while charging enemy positions. The indomitable courage which he displayed was directly responsible for the accomplishment of his company's mission. Next of Kin: Mrs. Mildred A. Hash (Wife), 6015 East 16th Street Terrace, Kansas City, Missouri.

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GENERAL ORDERS
No. 585

October 6, 1945

EXTRACT

I—AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45 September 22, 1943 as amended the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded posthumously by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

T/5 Joseph P. Nebesney, 33429268, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on April 5, 1945 in the vicinity of Heilbronn, Germany. When hostile fire inflicted heavy casualties on the platoon to which he was attached as aid man, Technician Fifth Grade Nebesney unhesitatingly advanced to the assistance of the wounded. He was fired upon and wounded by opposing riflemen who ignored his Red Cross brassard, but he disregarded the injury and treated many casualties. Although wounded twice again, he still refused to abandon his efforts, and was making his way to the side of a wounded soldier when he was killed. The heroism and gallantry which Technician Fifth Grade Nebesney displayed in sacrificing his life for his comrades reflect the highest credit upon himself and the armed forces. Next of Kin: Mrs. Margaret Nebesney (Mother), Railroad Street, Everson, Pennsylvania.

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Second Lt. Thomas E. Plante, 01050421, Infantry, 398th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on March 16, 1945 in the vicinity of Bitche, France. When the enemy launched a strong tank-infantry counterattack, the weapons platoon under Lieutenant Plante's command took refuge in a nearby building. One hostile tank approached the building, firing cannon and machine guns at pointblank range. When two rocket rounds fired at the tank missed their mark, Lieutenant Plante seized the rocket launcher, ran toward the armored vehicle and disabled it with a third round. He then attempted to hurl a phosphorus grenade into the tank, but was mortally wounded by machine gun fire. Lieutenant Plante's extremely courageous actions prevented many casualties and live as an inspiration to his men. Next of Kin: Mrs. Shirley R. Plante (Wife), 53 Morton Place, East Orange, New Jersey.

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III—AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, September 22, 1943 as amended the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

Sgt. John A. Hambric, 34581156, Infantry, 399th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on April 13, 1945 in the vicinity of Heilbronn, Germany. After the platoon in which Sergeant Hambric was a squad leader had gained a wooded area, fire from two enemy machine guns, which were unknowingly bypassed, immobilized the company's two remaining platoons. Crawling to a point seventy-five yards to the rear of the nearest hostile emplacement, Sergeant Hambric fired two rounds, killing both gunners. Moving out again, he then advanced to a position behind a second gun. His first shot killed one of the gun crew members, but the other German, firing a machine pistol, initiated a suicidal charge. Standing his ground, Sergeant Hambric waited until the foe was forty yards away, then killed the man with two rounds. His audacious and unselfish devotion to duty accounted for two enemy machine guns destroyed, four German dead, and enabled his company to take its objective. Entered military service from Marietta, Mississippi.

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First Lt. William E. Sullivan, 01325944, Infantry, 399th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on March 16, 1945 in the vicinity of Bitche, France. After helping to reduce enemy resistance emanating from two concrete pillboxes, Lieutenant Sullivan, a platoon leader, advanced alone toward the fortifications. Observing two Germans attempting an escape, he fired, killing one and wounding the other. Then, holding a grenade in readiness, he continued toward the encasement, and directed the enemy to surrender. When a German non-commissioned officer emerged, Lieutenant Sullivan used him as a hostage and advanced close to the entrance, repeating his directive. Eighty enemy, including a battalion commander and his 5-officer staff surrendered. Lieutenant Sullivan's heroic and inspiring single-handed action accounted for one machine-gun nest, two enemy casualties, and eighty prisoners. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

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Second Lt. Herbert S. Verrill, 0552113, Infantry, Company E, 398th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on March 15, 1945 in the vicinity of Reysersville, France. During an attack upon strong enemy fortifications, Lieutenant Verrill was leading his platoon under intense automatic weapon fire through hostile mines and barbed wire when he detonated a mine which blew off his foot. He retained his senses and issued clear and concise orders to his men to extricate themselves from the minefield. Then by arm and hand signals he directed the continuation of the attack. The indomitable courage and resolution which he displayed prevented confusion and consequent casualties among the men, and made possible the capture of the objective. Entered military service from Westbrook, Maine.

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3. POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL

Adams, Earl L., Pfc Co B	Meaney, John C., Jr., 1st Lt Co C
Albright, John M., 1st Lt Co I	Medaglia, Peter A., Pvt Co H
Arheit, Frederick J., Jr., Pfc Co K	Medvin, Ellis, T/5 M.D.
Austin, Sherburne C., Pfc Co A	Miller, Robert E., Pfc Co C
Baeschlin, Sidney J., Pfc Co L	Mole, Samuel A., T/5 M.D.
Bruno, Anthony C., S/Sgt Co I	Montie, Jay V., Pvt Co C
Cohen, Hyman, Sgt Co I	Moon, Allen L., Sgt Co H
Clyburn, Clifford J., Pfc Co G	Napier, Robert L., Pfc Co M
Cook, Robert C., 1st Lt Co B	Ngor, Lew N., Pfc Co L
Curtis, Paige K., Pfc Co M	Plagge, Leland H., Pfc Co A
Dolphin, Howard F., Pfc Co G	Reinhard, Clarence C., Pvt Co C
Doran, Harold H., S/Sgt Co L	Reinhart, Frank M., 2nd Lt Co C
Fletcher, Arthur L., Pfc Co I	Ribinsky, Michael M., Pfc Co I
Folds, William M., Jr., Pfc Co A	Rosenberg, Samuel L., 2nd Lt Co I
Funari, Robert, Jr., Pfc Co L	Rosenberg, Sidney G., Pfc Co K
Glass, Richard, Pfc Co G	Schaeffer, Matthew W., S/Sgt Co H
Goodrich, Charles S., Pvt Co A	Seijo, Victor M., Pfc Co L
Grakus, Frank J., T/Sgt Co B	Spinelli, Dominic V., Pfc M.D.
Hochevar, Henry F., Pfc Co G	Taber, Alvadis, Jr., Sgt Co A
Hosse, Robert, T/Sgt Co H	Tyree, Samuel J., T/5 M.D.
Hunger, Irving, T/4 M.D.	Vranisky, Joseph P., Pfc Co H
Kearfott, John L., Pfc Co L	Wharton, James A., Pfc Co F
Lynch, John J., 2nd Lt Co B	Whitten, Clettus V., Pfc Co A
McInerney, Martin T., Pfc Co A	Wilkins, George, 2nd Lt Hq 3d Bn
Williams, Walter S., Jr., 2nd Lt Co L	

4. SILVER STAR MEDAL, MIA

Cook, Raymond W., Pvt Co C	McLean, Russell T., Pfc Co G
DePiazza, Frank V., Pfc Co G	Milano, Felix J., Pfc Co D
Dutko, Stephen J., T/Sgt Co K	Smith, Griffin D., S/Sgt Co C
Glass, Richard, Pfc Co G	Smith, John P., Pfc Co B
Holmes, John R., Capt Co C	Smith, Robert R., Pfc Co B
Ihrig, Theodore M., S/Sgt Co C	Streiff, Jr., Thomas R., Pfc Co C
Trutter, Edward H., Sgt Co K	

5. SILVER STAR MEDAL

Adams, George H., 1st Lt Co F	Campbell, Albert, 1st Lt Co K
Ahlers, Richard D., Sgt Co L	Carlucci, Victor A., Pfc M.D.
Allen, Arthur P., 1st Lt Co F	Cavanaugh, Edward J., S/Sgt Co E
Annicchiarico, Michael J., Pvt M.D.	Chaty, Raymond P., Sgt Co G
Bailey, Francis J., Jr., Pfc Co B	Chekitis, Bruno, S/Sgt Co E
Baker, Floyd W., Sgt Co L	Clark, Joseph, S/Sgt Co L
Barley, Lewis M., Pfc M.D.	Colalillo, Mike, Pfc Co C
Barry, John J., III, Pfc M.D.	Crow, James E., Sgt Co C
Bietz, Charles W., 2nd Lt Co F	Crowley, John A., S/Sgt Co G
Birchall, William R., S/Sgt Co F	Daigle, Allen J., S/Sgt AT Co
Bissell, William C. M., Sgt Co E	Daly, Paul G., Lt Col 398th Inf Hq
Boling, Archie E., T/Sgt Co I	Deck, Alfred E., Pfc Co H
Bowen, Austin C., Pfc Co E	DeForge, Henry F., Pfc M.D.
Bowen, Elba W., Capt Hq 2nd Bn	Dixon, David W., 2nd Lt Co I
Bradley, Zorro A., Pfc Co K	Drumm, James M., T/Sgt Co E
Brinkerhoff, Robert E., Capt Co L	Duncan, Robert M., Pfc Co E
Brown, James J., Pfc Co L	Eckles, Ralph B., Pfc Cn Co
Browning, Lyda, S/Sgt Co B	Edwards, John T., Sgt Co A
Byrd, James E., 2nd Lt Co E	Einsmann, Matthew B., Capt Co G
Cain, Lloyd R., Sgt Co E	Elledge, Kirg D., Pfc Co I

Enright, Robert J., Cpl Co F
 Evans, Hayden O., Jr., Pvt Co I
 Farah, George E. P., Pfc AT Co
 Fittery, Robert J., S/Sgt Co G
 Forbes, Robert C., Lt Col Regt Hq
 Friday, Richard L., Pfc Co H
 Friedman, Jack B., Pfc M.D.
 Frost, Richard B., S/Sgt Co L
 Garahan, Thomas H., Capt Co E
 Glavich, Edward C., Cpl Hq Co 2nd Bn
 *Grimm, Wilbert C., S/Sgt Co G
 Groat, Clarence M., S/Sgt Co G
 Hagenberger, Robert P., Pfc Co H
 Hansen, Alfred C., Pfc Co L
 Harris, James C., T/Sgt Co G
 Hart, Fred B., T/5 M.D.
 Haught, Warren E., Capt Co E
 Hazen, James B., Sgt Co G
 Henderson, Allen T., Pfc Co B
 Herold, Warren C., 2nd Lt Co G
 Hix, Clarence R., 2nd Lt Co C
 Horn, Herbert C., Pfc Co G
 Horrigan, Harold S., Tec 4 M.D.
 Huckaby, Cecil F., S/Sgt Co H
 Jackson, Clarence, Pfc Co L
 Jacopi, William F., Pfc Co H
 Jaycox, Marion D., Sgt Co E
 Jennings, Arthur F., Jr., 2nd Lt Co A
 Johnson, Charles R., S/Sgt Co F
 Kanter, William E., 1st Lt Co F
 Kazelis, Albert J., S/Sgt Co A
 Keddie, James A., 1st Lt Co E
 King, Charles R., Pvt Co A
 Kirkland, Robert L., Pfc Co E
 Kravets, Adolph, Cpl Co A
 Kuzminski, Benjamin, T/Sgt Co F
 Landahl, Clayton E., Pfc Co C
 Landon, Luther E., Sgt Co A
 Larson, Marvin L., 2nd Lt Co I
 Lavangie, Ephriam J., Sgt Hq 2nd Bn
 Lederer, Theodore H., 2nd Lt Co M
 Lee, James P., Pfc Co C
 Lee, Roy A., Pfc Co C
 Lentsch, Arthur J., Cpl AT Co
 Lester, Walter, Pfc Hq Co 2nd Bn
 Levesque, William J., S/Sgt Co F
 Light, Thomas M., Sgt Co I
 Lindquist, John A., T/Sgt Co H
 Logan, Burton B., T/5 M.D.
 Lonsberg, John P., 1st Lt Co F
 MacDonald, William F., Pfc Co A
 Mace, Kenton, Sgt Co F
 Manning, Herbert E., Pfc Co A
 Marshall, Lloyd B., Pfc Hq Co 1st Bn
 Matheny, Charles R., Pfc Co F
 Matthews, Robert E., Pfc Co L
 McCrum, Ralph C., Lt Col Hq 1st Bn
 McKenna, Edward P., S/Sgt Co G
 McKinley, Howard A., Pfc Co L
 McNally, Lloyd C., 1st Lt Co I
 Mika, Bernie L., S/Sgt Co G
 Millsaps, Clarence, Pfc Co F
 Minshall, Paul E., S/Sgt Co C
 Moeller, Bernard H., Pfc Co H
 Moffitt, Kermit C., S/Sgt Co L
 Moisan, William J., Jr., Pfc Co G
 Moore, Lewis L., Cpl Co H
 Morgan, Walter E., Pfc Co B
 Mullen, Robert C., Pfc Co K
 Nelson, William E., Capt Co K
 Nichols Jr., Clarence F., Sgt Co E
 O'Brien, Russell M., Sgt Co A
 Ostrow, Stanley V., S/Sgt Co E
 Pajak, Henry J., 1st Lt Co K
 Passero, Sam P., 1st Lt Co E
 Pittman, John W., 2nd Lt Co E
 Pondo, Nicholas, T/Sgt Co F
 Pozzi, John P., Pfc Co A
 Reilly, Philip P., Pfc Co F
 Rice, Harry E., S/Sgt Co B
 Ritzo, Alfred J., 2nd Lt Co K
 Roisen, Maynard W., Pfc Co B
 Rose, Raymond M., T/Sgt Co E
 Rudolph, Joseph A., Pfc Co E
 Ryan, William J., S/Sgt Co E
 Sadowski, Joseph F., S/Sgt Co C
 Santora, Paul J., T/Sgt Co B
 Sather, Gerald G., Sgt Co E
 Saucier, Fergus, Pfc Co G
 Scheller, John A., Jr., Pfc Co E
 Scholten, Hilbert, Pfc Co E
 Silk, Edward A., 1st Lt Co E
 Simeone, Ernest V., Pfc Co L
 Sinofsky, Albert J., 1st Lt Co C
 Skawinski, John J., S/Sgt Co I
 Skotarski, Daniel J., T/Sgt Co K
 Smith, Howard D., Capt Co F
 Smith, Walter P., Jr., 2nd Lt Co H
 Smock, Roy, Pfc AT Co
 Stoddard, William E., 2nd Lt Co A
 Strickland, Joseph R., Jr., S/Sgt Co K
 Surmanek, Joseph M., Pfc Co F
 Swager, Theodore L., Pfc Co G
 Sweet, Thomas G., Pfc Hq 2nd Bn
 *Tate, John A., 1st Lt Co L
 Thompson, Walton R., 1st Lt Co G
 Tramel, Oliver T., S/Sgt Co L
 Vargo, James, Pfc Co A
 Wachtel, Lawrence, Pfc Co G
 Walk, John H., Pfc Co A
 Warren, William D., S/Sgt Co K
 Warren, William W., Pfc Co E
 Whitaker, William J., S/Sgt Co H
 Williams, Claude, Jr., 2nd Lt Co C
 Williams, Vincent G., 2nd Lt Co I
 Zarabet, Joseph, Sgt Co F

*Award of Oak Leaf Cluster to Silver Star.

6. POSTHUMOUS OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR

Oliver, Clyde M., Pfc Co K

7. OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR

Augello, Joseph A., T/Sgt Co D
 Baker, Charles M., Jr., S/Sgt Co B
 Barnhart, William R., S/Sgt Co K
 Borgstrom, Kurt V., Pfc Co B
 Black, Herman F., S/Sgt Co C
 Bolton, Gordon E., Sgt Co C
 Book, Herbert W., Pfc Hq 1st Bn
 Brown, Harold G., 1st Sgt AT Co
 Cahoon, Samuel G., 2nd Lt M.D.
 Classi, Dominick, S/Sgt Co C
 Crowley, Francis A., Jr., Pfc Co B
 Curran, Robert F., Lt Col Hq 2nd Bn
 DeMartini, Edward L., J., Pfc Co A
 Drum, James M., T/Sgt Co E
 Duerr, John L., T/4 Hq Co
 DuFrene, Erving L., Sgt Co C
 Easley, George K., Pfc Co G
 Edsall, Floyd L., 1st Lt Co C
 Edmond, Robert G., T/4 M.D.
 Fatheryar, Dominick T., 2nd Lt Co L
 Felix, Noel A., 2nd Lt Co C
 Flavin, Charles M., S/Sgt Co G
 Forbes, Robert C., Lt Col Regtl Hq
 Geers, Arthur C., Sgt Co B
 Good, John R., T/Sgt Co H
 Goodner, Ronald D., Pfc Co F
 Guerry, John C., T/Sgt Co D
 Hankins, Kenneth, Pfc Co A
 Harrell, Henry S., T/4 M.D.
 Henson, William C., 1st Lt Co D
 Herrmann, Jack A., S/Sgt Co G
 Hilliker, Stanley B., S/Sgt Co L
 Hodge, Frederick G., 1st Lt Co K
 Hooker, Olen P., Pfc Co L
 Horler, Thomas W., 2nd Lt Co F
 Hudspeth, Ralph C., 2nd Lt Hq 3d Bn
 Hunt, Talmage H., S/Sgt Co F
 Hunter, John F., Pvt Co E
 Hurley, Borromeo W., 1st Sgt Co F
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 Keene, John B., Capt Hq 3d Bn
 Knight, William C., Sgt Co G
 Kutzman, Paul J., T/5 M.D.
 Ledford, William E., Pfc Co F
 Lee, Robert E., 2nd Lt Co H
 Lovelace, Earl R., Pfc Co A
 Mason, Walter R., 2nd Lt Co C
 Matthew, Melvin R., 1st Lt Co H
 McCrum, Ralph C., Lt Col Hq 1st Bn
 McDonald, Lyle A., 2nd Lt Co I
 Mignerey, Harry F., Capt M.D.
 Orel, William L., T/Sgt Co F
 Payne, Burnus L., 1st Lt Co L
 Price, James W., Jr., S/Sgt Co L
 Puckett, Robert R., 1st Lt Co D
 Racy, Julius J., Sgt Co F
 Restani, Raymond, Capt Co E
 Rhea, Jack L., 2nd OLC, Capt Hq 3rd Bn
 Rimlinger, James L., Capt Co C
 Rollins, Louis B., 1st Lt Co H
 Romero, Candelario R., Pfc Co H
 Sabia, James V., S/Sgt Co B
 Scarborough, Leland D., Capt Cn Co
 Silverman, Hyman L., T/Sgt Co A
 Siuba, Stanley A., S/Sgt Co A
 Smith, Edwin D., Pfc Co A
 Smith, Harry J., Pfc M.D.
 Snell, Raymond H., 1st Lt Co I
 Sowels, Wilber L., Sgt Co L
 Spiegelberg, Fred W., Capt
 Stalikas, Nicholas, 2nd Lt Co F
 Teitelbaum, Samuel, Capt Co L
 Thomas, Richard L., Pfc M.D.
 Turner, Harry L., S/Sgt Co D
 Tyler, Samuel, Jr., Capt (Chap) Regtl Hq
 Urresti, Alfred, Pfc M.D.
 Van Bockern, Donald, 2nd Lt Co A
 Weaver, William O., Pfc Co C
 Weisel Jr., Harvey C., Lt Col Regtl Hq
 Williams, Robert M., Col Regtl Hq
 Zanon, Basil P., 1st Sgt Co M
 Zawisza, Frank A., T/4 M.D.

8. OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR, MIA

Greenberg, Herbert W., Pfc Co K
 Rizzo, Alfred J., 2nd Lt Co K
 Vanderhoff, Russell J., Pvt M.D.

9. BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MIA

Accomando, James J., Pfc Hq 2nd Bn
 Amtmann, Richard J., Pfc Co K
 Breish, John W., T/Sgt Co K
 Danieluk, John J., Sgt Co D
 Deem, James E., Pfc Co K
 Girard, Aldor J., Pfc Co K
 Hastings, Jimmie, Pfc Co K
 Holmes, John R., Capt Co C
 Kittelson, Orris E., Pfc Co L

Loehding, Ben F., Sgt Co C
 Minnon, Mike J., S/Sgt Co G
 Montgomery, Edward, Pfc Co G
 Peterson, William G., Pfc Co G
 Ring, Wallace W., S/Sgt Co K
 Sevigny, Gerard A., Pfc Co B
 Telbert, Garnet D., S/Sgt Co L
 Wagner, Edward J., Pfc Co K
 Willis, Robert W., Pfc Co L

10. POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Adams, Earl L., Pfc Co B
 Anderson, Leone W., Pfc Co G
 Ashton, Roger S., Pfc Co F
 Atkinson, Lonzo, Sgt Co C
 Borjon, Charles, Pvt Co L
 Buck, Jr., Jacob L., Pfc Co C
 Burrola, Frank M., Pfc Co M
 Chesney, Robert E., Pfc Co K
 Coffey, James C., Pfc Co G
 Danner, Edward G., 2nd Lt Co G
 Devereaux, John J., Pfc Co I
 Dillon, John J., Pfc Co G
 Dougherty, James E., Pfc Co M
 Downey, John H., Pfc Co K
 Ethridge, Jack A., Pfc Co C
 Ferguson, John D., Pfc Co D
 Friebel, Leo R., Pfc Co A
 Gallup, Francis M., T/4 M.D.
 Gifford, Robert E., Pfc Co K
 Gilmour, William R., Sgt Co L
 Gray, Chester B., 1st Lt Co M
 Hatfield, Ellis H., Pfc Co L
 Hoffman, Edward M., Sgt Co B
 Igo, Vernon L., Pfc Co L

Jempelis, John, Pfc Co G
 Johnson, Edwin E., Sgt Co A
 King, Frederick C., Pfc Co C
 Koelenbeek, Daniel R., Pfc Co C
 Lloyd, Richard J., Pfc Co I
 Lutz, George E., Cpl Co L
 Manis, Miller K., Pfc Co L
 Manosh, Robert F., Pfc Co B
 McFadden, Charles, 2nd Lt Hq Co
 Merrick, Paul H., 2nd Lt Co C
 Moody II, Edward R., 1st Lt Co K
 Morgan, Albert R., Pfc Co C
 Poor, Clarence R., Pfc Co G
 Riddle, John C., Pvt Co H
 Roberts, Ralph L., Pfc Co B
 Smith, David H., Sgt Co I
 Stephens, Marvin L., Pvt Co L
 Thompson, Oscar, S/Sgt Co C
 Treiman, Carl, Pfc AT Co
 Turnage, W. H., Pfc Co I
 Wachter, Henry N., S/Sgt Co C
 Waggoner, Joe A., Pfc Co E
 Wharton, James A., Pfc Co F
 Wortman, Lloyd T., Pfc Co C

Zahner, Raymond F., S/Sgt Co C

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 Alberty, William C., Pfc Co L
 Alfonsi, Joseph P., Pfc Co B
 Aliberti, Umberto J., Pfc Co H
 Allburn, Jr., James N., Pfc Co A
 Allen, Guy P., CWO Sv Co
 Allen, Hubert A., Pfc Co G
 Allen, Leo G., T/4 Hq 1st Bn
 Alleva, Nicholas A., Pfc Co D
 Allred, Calvin H., Pfc Co I
 Altland, Joseph C., Pfc Hq Co
 Ammirato, Ernest F., Pfc Co I
 Amos, Robert T., Jr., 1st Lt Hq 2nd Bn
 Amszynski, George A., S/Sgt Co B
 Amtower, Leslie C., Sgt Co K

Anderson, DeWayne M., S/Sgt Co I
 Anderson, Earl J., T/Sgt Co E
 Anderson, Edward K., Pfc Hq Co 1st Bn
 Anderson, Joseph H., 1st Lt Co M
 Andress, Lawrence E., Sgt Cn Co
 Andrzejak, Raymond L., T/4 Hq Co
 Angelone, Angelo J., S/Sgt Co L
 Annicchiarico, Michael J., Pfc M.D.
 Annunziato, Frank M., S/Sgt Co F
 Anselmo, Albert P., Pfc Co E
 Ansley, Samuel H., Pfc Hq 2nd Bn
 Apple, Jr., Orange F., T/3 M.D.
 Applemann, John D., Pfc Co D
 Arakelian, Garabed, Pfc M.D.
 Arbegast, Harry W., 2nd Lt Co M
 Arendt, Theodore E., T/Sgt Hq Co 2nd Bn
 Armstrong, James D., Pfc Co F
 Armstrong, Jr., Lewis C., Pfc M.D.

Armstrong, Oran R., Cpl Cn Co
 Armstrong, Robert L., T/Sgt Co I
 Arnett, Ralph F., Pfc Cn Co
 Aschoff, Carl R., 1st Lt M.D.
 Ashford, Leonard, S/Sgt Co M
 Ashworth, Willie, Pfc Co K
 Augello, Joseph A., S/Sgt Co D
 Austin, Norwood K., Pfc Co M
 Babbitt, Richard, Pfc M.D.
 Bailey, Charles H., Pfc Co B
 Bailey, Crawford M., Pfc Co A
 Bailey, Francis J., Jr., Pfc Co B
 Bailey, George V., S/Sgt Co F
 Baird, John A., M/Sgt Sv Co
 Baker, Jr., Charles M., S/Sgt Co B
 Baker, Floyd W., S/Sgt Co L
 Baker, George F., T/Sgt Co L
 Baker, Walter L., 1st Lt Hq 3rd Bn
 Ball, Marvin L., Sgt Co C
 Bamesberger, Fred F., T/4 Co B
 Barasch, Norman, 1st Lt Sv Co
 Barb, Ralph J., Pfc M.D.
 Barber, Orville, Pfc Co A
 Barg, Francis E., Pfc Co C
 Barlow, Luther B., Pfc Co A
 Barmer, Maxwell R., Sgt Co K
 Barnes, James A., Pfc Hq 3rd Bn
 Barnes, Warren A., Pvt Co D
 Barnett, Sheldon M., Pfc Hq 1st Bn
 Barnhart, William R., S/Sgt Co K
 Baron Jr., Joseph R., Pfc Hq 3rd Bn
 Baron, Nick M., Pvt Co K
 Barrows, Francis W., Sgt Hq 3rd Bn
 Barys, Frank J., S/Sgt Co E
 Basanda, Raymond G., Pfc Co E
 Batchelor, Stephen D., Tec 4 Hq 3rd Bn
 Bates, Theodore H., Pfc Co I
 Baxter, George I., Pfc Co B
 Bayard, Theodore D., Pfc Co L
 Beadling Wesley H., Pfc Co M
 Beale, Barkley D., Sgt Co G
 Beard, Lawson R., 1st Lt Hq 1st Bn
 Beaudoin, Euclid P., 2nd Lt
 Beaven, Robert P., 1st Lt AT Co
 Beekman, John J., S/Sgt Co F
 Beemer, Roy D., Sgt Co E
 Belden, Jean P., Pfc Co G
 Bell, Philip F., Pfc Co G
 Belland, Francis H., Pfc Co G
 Bellows, Clarence H., Pfc Hq 1st Bn
 Bender, John R., Pfc Co A
 Benjamin, Theodore S., S/Sgt Co K
 Benke, Robert F., T/Sgt Co G
 Bennett, Edward M., T/5 Co L
 Bennis, Christopher J., Pfc Co H
 Benton, James G., Pfc Co H
 Berry, James F., S/Sgt
 Berry, Paul E., S/Sgt Hq Co 2nd Bn
 Berry, Uland, S/Sgt Co D
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 Bielaczy, Theodore C., T/Sgt Co M
 Bietz, Charles W., 2nd Lt Co F
 Billings, Ernest E., Pfc Co D
 Bills, Danny H., Pfc Co D
 Binkley, John W., Pfc Co B
 Bindel, Jerome E., Pfc Co M
 Bisaantz, Harold B., Pfc Co H
 Bisson, Leopold, Pfc Hq Co 2nd Bn
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 Black, Herman E., S/Sgt Co C
 Blaha, Robert J., 1st Lt Co A
 Blair, Rufus E., Pfc Co F
 Bland, Jack L., Sgt Co D
 Blancy, Henry J., S/Sgt Co A
 Bledsoe, Joel G., Sgt Co H
 Bless, Berthram O., Pfc Co F
 Bloom, Irving, T/Sgt Sv Co
 Bloom, Theodore, Sgt Co C
 Blumenfeld, Jacob P., Pfc Co C
 Blumer, William H., S/Sgt Co B
 Bogert, Jr., Edmund A., T/Sgt Co L
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 Bolton, Gordon E., Sgt Co C
 Bolton, Samuel C., Pfc Co G
 Bomar, Jr., Harry F., Pfc Co I
 Bonanni, Anthony A., Pfc Co A
 Bonham, Perry E., Jr., Pfc Co B
 Book, Herbert W., Pfc Co C
 Boortz, James W., Pfc Co E
 Boothey, Lloyd F., Pfc
 Borgstrom, Kurt V., Pfc Co B
 Boston, Bernard, Capt Co L
 Bowen, Elba W., Capt Co H
 Bowen, John F., S/Sgt Co B
 Bowers, Eric B., Pfc Co G
 Bowlds, Louis E., 1st Lt Co D
 Boyer, Robert E., Co C Co C
 Brackett, Samuel W., Sgt Co C
 Bradbury, Francis W., Capt M.D.
 Bradford, Harold, Jr., Pfc Co A
 Brainard, Raymond F., Jr., 1st Lt At Co
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 Bramley, Robert, Capt Hq
 Brandon, Richard G., Pfc Co C
 Brannon, Paul E., 2nd Lt Co L
 Bratton, Hilton R., Pfc Co L
 Breedon, Jr., Ernest G., Pfc Co E
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 Brevard, Jonathan C., Pfc Co D
 Brocato, John A., Cpl Co D
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 Brown, Walton E., Sgt Co I
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 Brown, William P., Pfc Co B
 Browning, Lyda, S/Sgt Co B
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 Bryant, Jack K., S/Sgt Co H
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 Bub, John J., Pfc M.D.
 Buckingham, Byron B., Pfc Co B
 Buckley, John P., Pfc Co L
 Buckley, Michael J., Capt Hq 2nd Bn
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 Budd, William D., Pfc Co B
 Budnick, Norman E., Pfc Co G
 Buono, John J., Sgt Hq Co 2nd Bn
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 Burns, John W., Pfc Co C
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 Burzynski, George, S/Sgt Co L
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 Bushway, Kenneth C., S/Sgt Co I
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 Butler, John I., S/Sgt Sv Co
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 Callow, William C., Pfc Co D
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 Carr, Lyle K., T/Sgt Co K
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 Carselle, Joseph D., S/Sgt Hq 2nd Bn
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 Champion, Clifford, Pfc Co L
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 Chenoweth, Jack J., S/Sgt Hq 2
 Chmura, Edward M., S/Sgt AT Co
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 Clebock, Edward J., Pfc Co E
 Cleland, Sherrill, Pfc Co F
 Clow, Levert W., Pvt Co E
 Cloyd, Raymond E., Pfc Co H
 Coale, Joseph H., Sgt Co G
 Coffman, Kaohlin M., Sgt Co B
 Cohen, Robert, T/5 M.D.
 Colborn, Russell J., Pfc Co A
 Coleman, Richard L., Pfc Co G
 Colimore, Vincent J., T/4 Hq Co
 Colleran, John R., Pfc Hq 1st Bn
 Collins, James M., Pfc Co D
 Collison, Malcolm D., Sgt Co I
 Collison, Wilmer H., Pfc Co B
 Colunga, Louis A., Pfc Co G
 Colwell, Mose C., Pfc Co G
 Compton, Jr., Charles S., Sgt Co G
 Condrey, Eugene, Pfc Co F
 Coneys, Francis R., Pfc Co C
 Conn, John F., T/5 Hq Co
 Connelly Jr., James L., Pfc Hq Co
 Conners, Williams P., Sgt Co H
 Conners, Richard T., S/Sgt Co B
 Conroy, Durwood H., Sgt Co B
 Consorte, William, T/3 M.D.
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 Coppedge, Erle W., Cpl Co M
 Corbin, Robert L., Cpl Hq 3d Bn
 Cordell, Howard M., T/4 Sv Co
 Corkum, William T., T/5 Hq Co
 Costello, Richard T., S/Sgt Co E
 Cottrell, Clarence A., S/Sgt Co M
 Couch, Virgil, Pfc Co M
 Cousens, James R., S/Sgt Co D
 Cowan, James H., T/Sgt Co B
 Cowan, Robert W., Pfc Co L
 Cox, Ralph, Pfc Co B
 Crabtree, Herman, Cpl Co D
 Craig, Joseph B., S/Sgt Hq 2nd Bn
 Craig, Robert J. (2nd OCL) At Co
 Crawford, Gail V., Sgt Hq Co 2d Bn
 Criswell, Glen M., S/Sgt Co D
 Crocken, Nelson J., Pfc Co A
 Crockett, Joseph M., 1st Lt Hq Co
 Cropper, Jr., Paul E., Pvt Co L
 Crouch, Sam J., Jr., Sgt Co M
 Crowley Jr., Francis A., Pfc Co B

Crowley, John A., S/Sgt Co G
 Crutchfield, Paul L., Pfc At Co
 Cubic, Cyril J., S/Sgt Co K
 Culpepper, Winfred, Pvt Co C
 Cunningham, Charles H., Sgt Co G
 Cunningham, James E., T/Sgt Cn Co
 Cupp, Loren T., Pfc Hq 3rd Bn
 Curbo, Lawrence W., S/Sgt Co F
 Curran, Robert F., Lt Col Hq 2nd Bn
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 Daniel, Walter A., Pfc Co A
 Davidson, George A., Pvt Co A
 Davis, Clifford, Pfc
 Davis, Harold G., S/Sgt M.D.
 Davis, Jr., Herbert C., Pfc Co E
 Davis, Jason W., Pfc Hq 2nd Bn
 Davis, Luther H., Pfc Co F
 Davis, Preston G., Pfc Co K
 Davis, Robert F., Pfc Co L
 Davis, William F., Sgt Co H
 Dawson, William T., Pvt M.D.
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 DeCourley, Jr., James C., Sgt Hq 2nd Bn
 Deeb, Abraham, S/Sgt Co A
 DeGrange, Edgar P., Pvt Co K
 Dell, Daniel E., Pfc Co K
 Della Gala, Henry A., S/Sgt Hq 1st Bn
 DeMartini, Edward L., Jr., Pfc Co A
 DeMastrofrancesco, George, Pfc Co D
 Demel, Martin, Pfc Hq 3d Bn
 Dempsey, William N. B., T/Sgt Hq 3d Bn
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 Denton, Jack S., Pfc Co G
 Derrico, Arthur R., Pfc Hq 3d Bn
 DeSantis, Michael, 2d Lt Co M
 Desautels, Alfred J., Pfc Hq Co 1st Bn
 DeStadler, George H., Sgt Hq 2d Bn
 DeViris, Angelo, Pfc Co K
 Dickey, William G., Pfc Co H
 Dickson, Clayton E., S/Sgt Hq 1st Bn
 Dieteman, Francis J., T/Sgt Hq Co 2nd Bn
 DiFulco, Carlo J., Sgt Co C
 DiLaurenzio, Hugo N., Sgt Co C
 Dina, Salvatore P., S/Sgt Co M
 Dirden, James O., Pfc Hq 3d Bn
 Dobensky, Theodore, Pfc M.D.
 Dobkin, Sidney M., Sgt Co B
 Dominguez, Paul, Pfc M.D.
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 Doonan, Charles H., T/Sgt Co H
 Dorich, John T., Pfc Co B
 Doriguzzi, Bruno V., T/Sgt Co B
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 Dudley, Martin E., Pfc Co B
 Dudzik, Raymond R., Pfc Co H
 Duerr, John L., T/5 Hq Co
 Dufrene, Ewing L., Pfc Co C
 Dunajecz, David J., Pfc Co D
 Dunn, William A., Pfc Co D
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 Eagles, Kenneth E., Pfc
 Earle, Charles R., Sgt Co C
 Easley, George K., Pfc Co G
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 Eckert, John D., Pfc Co K
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 Edwards, John T., S/Sgt Co A
 Edwards, Richard H., Sgt Co L
 Einsmann, Matthew B., Capt Co G
 Eisenberg, Seymour H., Sgt Hq Co 3d Bn
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 Eliot, Warren B., Pfc Co L
 Elliott, Robert W., Cpl Co H
 Ellis, Howard N., Pfc Hq Co
 Ellis, Victor L., Pfc Co F
 Elzufon, Eugene E., Pfc Co B
 Emond, Robert G., T/4 M.D.
 Engerbretson, Ellis A., T/Sgt Hq 1st Bn
 Enlow, William R., Sgt Co H
 Era, Harvey J., T/Sgt Co F
 Erdman, Charles R., Pfc Co L
 Erickson, Robert S., Pfc Co K
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 Esaldo, Anthony D., T/4 Co B
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 Evans, Ivan W., Pfc Co I
 Everett, Wiley J., Pfc Co C
 Fahrman, Lowell A., Pfc Co L
 Farina, Anthony, Pfc Hq 3d Bn
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 Farmer, James L., Sgt Co M
 Farrell, James M., Pfc Co A
 Farris, Cad, Pfc Co L
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 Fatheryar, Dominick T., 2nd Lt Co L
 Fauci, Vincent J., Pfc Co B
 Fave, John L., Pfc Co D
 Faw, Melvin L., Pfc Co F
 Fehling, Fred C., 1st Sgt Co G
 Feilbach, Richard H., Pfc Co L
 Feirstein, George, Pfc Hq 1st Bn
 Feldman, Isadore I., T/5 M.D.
 Felix, Noel A., S/Sgt Co C
 Felsenfeld, Irving, Pfc Co E
 Felton, Lee M., S/Sgt Co I
 Ferger, Phillip J., Pfc Hq 3d Bn
 Ferguson, Jack, Pfc Co I
 Ferlazzo, Anthony J., S/Sgt Co B

Ferrara, Michael D., Pfc Co A
 Ferruzza, Michael J., Pfc Hq 2nd Bn
 Ficarra, Dominick T., T/Sgt Co E
 Fields, James J., Pfc Hq Co 3d Bn
 Filley, Charles F., S/Sgt Co B
 Filosa, John M., Pfc Co H
 Finn, Jr., Frederick J., T/5 Hq 3d Bn
 Fischer, Richard, Pfc Co H
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 Flavin, Charles M., S/Sgt Co G
 Fontaine, Howard F., T/5 M.D.
 Fontenot, Yves, Pfc M.D.
 Fonteyne, Henry C. G., T/4 Hq Co 1st Bn
 Ford, Boyd B., Pfc Hq 1st Bn
 Foster, John D., Jr., Pfc Co E
 Frasier, Frank S., T/Sgt AT Co
 Freccere, Frank J., Pfc Hq 1st Bn
 Francis, John W., Pfc Co K
 Franklin, Gerald F., 2nd Lt Co K
 Fraser, Robert E., S/Sgt Co A
 Freeman, Granville F., Sgt Co G
 Freese, William J., Pfc M.D.
 Friedman, Irving, Capt M.D.
 Frost, Richard B., S/Sgt Co L
 Fugate, Homer E., Pfc M.D.
 Fulk, James V., Pfc Hq Co
 Fuller, C. M., Pfc Co M
 Fuller, James H., Jr., Cpl Hq 1st Bn
 Furey, James T., Pfc Co L
 Furey, John A., Pfc Hq 1st Bn
 Furseth, Martin A., Pfc Co E
 Gallahan, Allen G., Pfc Co M
 Galliher, Roman E., Pfc Co A
 Galloway, William R., T/5 Co M
 Ganeau, Wilfred F., Capt Co M
 Garahan, Thomas H., Capt Co E
 Garcia, Eduardo, Pfc Co C
 Garrigues, Elmer C., T/5 Hq Co
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 Gebhardt, Edward L., T/Sgt AT Co
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 Geiger, Russell E., Pfc Co K
 Gemmer, Arthur H., Pfc Hq Co
 Gendron, Emery O., Pfc Co L
 Gerhardt, Charles B., Pfc Co A
 Gerken, Frederick E., Pfc Hq 1st Bn
 Giannelli, Michael A., Sgt Cn Co
 Gibbs, Wilson E., Pfc Co C
 Gibson, Charles Pfc Co L
 Gieck, Raymond H., S/Sgt Co B
 Gigante, Joseph, S/Sgt Sv Co
 Gillingham, William G., S/Sgt Co B
 Gilman, Donald R., Pfc Co L
 Gilman, Marshall G., Major Regtl Hq
 Givens, Elmer R., 1st Lt Co M
 Glasser, Jack I., Pfc Co A
 Gluck, Jacob W., S/Sgt AT Co
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 Goldberg, Isidore, Pfc Co F
 Golderman, Julius, Sgt Co F
 Goldstein, Philip, Pfc Hq Co 1st Bn
 Goncher, James M., Pfc Co K
 Good, John R., T/Sgt Co H
 Goodner, Ronald D., Pfc Co F
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 Gordy, Sanford N., S/Sgt Co C
 Gormley, William J., 2nd Lt Co D
 Gosselin, Marcel J., Pfc Co B
 Grant, George F., Pvt M.D.
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 Roberts, Willard H., S/Sgt Co B
 Robertson, Charles E., Pfc Co K
 Robinson, Claude O., T/5 Co C
 Rockwell, Robert H., Pfc Co G
 Rodin, Anthony J., S/Sgt Co D
 Rogers, Richard F., T/5 Hq 1st Bn
 Rollerson, Darrell D., Pfc Co K
 Rollins, Louis B., 1st Lt Co H
 Romero, Candelario R., Pfc Co H
 Romero, Paul V., 2nd Lt Co K
 Romero, William, Pfc Co L
 Ronan, Patrick J., S/Sgt
 Rosencutter, John F. W., Cpl Co M
 Rosenfeld, Charles, Pfc AT Co
 Rosenthal, Sidney B., Pfc M.D.
 Ross, Claude R., S/Sgt Co L
 Roswick, Seymour B., S/Sgt M.D.
 Rotko, Alex, T/Sgt Hq 2d Bn
 Roush, Leo R. E., Pfc Co E
 Routzon, Merle D., Sgt Co E
 Rowe, Richard M., Pfc Co D
 Rubano, Aldo T., Pfc Co F
 Rundell, Edmund L., Capt Hq 1st Bn
 Rush, Robert H., 2nd Lt Co G
 Russell, Charles L., S/Sgt Co E
 Russell, Donald E., Pfc Co C
 Russell, John L., S/Sgt Sv Co
 Russell, Richard M., Pfc Co I
 Ryan, William H., Sgt Co D
 Ryans, Robert F., S/Sgt Co C
 Sabia, James V., S/Sgt Co B
 Sabo, Robert J., Sgt Co G
 Sainz, Russell J., Sgt Co E
 Sales, Samuel, S/Sgt Hq 2nd Bn
 Santopietro, William M., Jr., Pfc M.D.
 Santora, Paul J., T/Sgt Co B
 Sargent, Daniel B., S/Sgt Co I
 Sass, Alfred C., Pfc Co F
 Sather, Gerald G., Sgt Co E
 Satko, Alfred, T/Sgt Co E
 Sauer, Richard W., T/4 Sv Co
 Sayles, Robert E., Pfc Co A
 Sawyer, Dwight L., Jr., Cpl Hq Co
 Scarborough, Leland D., Capt Cn Co
 Scarpitta, Anthony, 1st Lt M.D.
 Schaefer, Arthur J., 1st Lt Sv Co
 Schecter, George, Pvt M.D.
 Scheetz, William C., Sgt Co L

Scheller, John A., Jr., Pfc Co E
 Schellhammer, Ernest L., Pfc Co A
 Schiff, Allan, Pfc Co D
 Schlocker Irvin, S/Sgt Co L
 Schmidt, Carl J., Pfc Cn Co
 Schmidt, Richard E., Pfc Hq 1st Bn
 Schmuker, Lawrence L., Pfc Co B
 Schnall, Milton, 1st Lt Co G
 Schneller, Jr., A. H., Sgt Co A
 Schott, Jacob, Capt M.D.
 Schrader, Eugene A., S/Sgt Co C
 Schroll, George W., Pfc Co K
 Schuler, William P., Pfc
 Schultz, Lawrence F., Pfc Co D
 Schultz, William H., T/Sgt Co B
 Schwartzkopf, Richard E., Sgt Co C
 Schweitzer, Walter L., Pfc Hq 3d Bn
 Schwenn, William A., T/5 M.D.
 Scocco, Carmello F., Pfc Co H
 Seifried, Robert C., T/Sgt Co H
 Seiler, Fred J., Pfc Hq 3d Bn
 Selkowitz, Fred, T/Sgt M.D.
 Sells, Cecil O., 1st Sgt Hq 3rd Bn
 Senitta, George L., Pfc Co H
 Seweryniak, Walter P., Pfc Co A
 Sharar, Rudolph S., Pfc Hq 1st Bn
 Shaulinski, William J., Pfc Co D
 Shearer, John R., 2nd Lt Co L
 Shepherd, Robert F., Pfc Co B
 Sherman, Kenneth E., Pfc Co K
 Sherman, Vernon L., S/Sgt Co F
 Shlay, Howard A., Pfc Hq 2nd Bn
 Shockey, Harold R., Pfc Hq 2nd Bn
 Sieczkowski, Mathew C., Pfc Hq Co 1st Bn
 Sigman, Morris, T/4 M.D.
 Silk, Edward A., 1st Lt Co E
 Silverman, Hyman L., S/Sgt Co A
 Silvestri, Angelo D., Cpl Co D
 Simac, Frank R., Pfc Hq Co 2nd Bn
 Simko, Bert J., S/Sgt Co E
 Simmons, Woodrow W., 2nd Lt Co D
 Simpson, Herbert D., Pfc Hq Co 1st Bn
 Simpson, William S., Jr., Pfc Co E
 Sinacore, Peter T., Pfc Co I
 Sinofsky, Albert J., 1st Lt Co C
 Siuba, Stanley A., S/Sgt Co A
 Skawinski, John J., S/Sgt Co I
 Skiba, Frank P., S/Sgt Co F
 Skolnik, Alex, Pfc Co E
 Skotarski, Daniel J., T/Sgt Co K
 Smith, Earl S., Sgt Co E
 Smith, Edwin D., Pfc Co A
 Smith, Frank J., Sgt Co L
 Smith, Freeman R., Pfc M.D.
 Smith, Harry J., Pvt M.D.
 Smith, Harry L., S/Sgt Co F
 Smith, Howard D., Capt Co F
 Smith, James L., Pfc Co L
 Smith, John D., Sgt Hq Co
 Smith, John L., T/Sgt Co F
 Smith, Roscoe E., Jr., Pfc Co A
 Smith, Veloid E., Pfc Co E
 Smith, Walter P., Jr., 2d Lt Co H
 Smithson, Carl W., T/Sgt Co D
 Smyth, Douglas S., T/3 M.D.
 Sneed, Robert V., T/Sgt Co E
 Snell, Raymond H., 1st Lt Co I
 Snodgrass, Boyd B., Pfc Co K
 Snowden, Ernest L., Pfc Co F
 Snyder, Richard W., Pfc Co K
 Solie, DeWayne O., T/5 Hq Co
 Solomon, Murray, Pfc Co K
 Somers, Robert R., Pfc Co G
 Sonitsky, Abraham, T/5
 Sorg, Eldon I., Pfc Co L
 Sowels, Wilber L., Sgt Co L
 Sowul, Joseph E., Capt Sv Co
 Spalter, Samuel, Pfc Hq Co 1st Bn
 Sparrow, Paul E., Sgt Co A
 Spear, Hanley F., S/Sgt Co B
 Spence, Mack, Pfc Co D
 Spiegelberg, Fred W., Capt Co B
 Spinney, Gordon E., T/Sgt Co K
 Sponder, Samuel S., Pfc Co G
 Sport, James H., Pfc Co I
 Squires, Donald J., Pfc Co D
 Sroka, Andrew R., Pfc Co M
 Stach, Robert K., Pfc
 Stahl, Leroy H., 1st Lt Co M
 Stahly, Reldon L., Pfc Co A
 Stalikas, Nicholas, 2nd Lt Co G
 Stall, Joe E., Pfc Co M
 Stankus, Julius R., S/Sgt Co H
 Stanley, Daniel J., Pfc Co A
 Stawiecki, Bernard B., T/4 Co M
 Stayton, Floyd E., Lt Col Hq
 Steele, Ira J., S/Sgt Co I
 Stefinovec, Gabrielle, Pfc Co H
 Stensberg, Donald E., Pfc AT Co
 Sterk, Gerrit, Pfc M.D.
 Stevenson, James E., T/4 Sv Co
 Stewart, Elliot B., Pfc Co E
 St. Laurent, Oscar A., S/Sgt Co F
 Stoddard, William E., 2nd Lt
 Stohr, John W., Pfc
 Stone, Elgie J., Capt Hq
 Stone, Howard A., Pfc M.D.
 St. Onge, Arnold W., Pfc Co D
 Stoner, Horace W., Pvt Co A
 Stookey, Daniel, Pfc Co D
 Story, Leonard A., S/Sgt Hq 2nd Bn
 Stoy, Herbert E., Pfc Co H
 Street, Kyle, Sgt Hq 3
 Strenk, Paul, Pfc M.D.
 Strickland, Robert W., Pfc Co H
 Strickler, Philip A., Capt Co A
 Strobel, Oscar K., Pfc Co I
 Stupak, Ralph P., S/Sgt Hq 3d Bn
 Styers, James A., Pfc
 Sulewski, Edward J., Pfc Co K
 Sullivan, Eugene J., Pfc
 Sullivan, James T., S/Sgt Co M

Summers, Edmund A., Pfc Co B
 Summers, Percy W., Pfc Co M
 Swaim, Alan D., Pfc Co G
 Swann, Jr., William T., S/Sgt Co A
 Swincer, Paul G., Pfc Hq 1st Bn
 Swenson, Robert D., Pfc Co B
 Sympson, William P., Pfc Hq 3d Bn
 Tarbert, Carroll E., 2nd Lt Co C
 Taylor, Garland W., Pfc
 Taylor, Hilbert R., Sgt Co K
 Taylor, Kendall D., Pfc Hq Co
 Taylor, Johnny W., Pfc Sv Co
 Teitebaum, Samuel, 1st Lt Co L
 Thatcher, Archie H., Cpl Co M
 Thibodeau, Adrian, Pvt Co I
 Thomas, Charles F., Pfc Hq Co
 Thomas, Richard L., Pfc M.D.
 Tillett, Thomas J., S/Sgt Co H
 Todd, Dougad B., Pfc Co C
 Torbett, Jr., Conley C., Capt Hq 2d Bn
 Torsey, James L., S/Sgt Co L
 Touchton, Curtis E., T/4 Hq 3d Bn
 Townsend, Hubert C., Sgt Co D
 Townsend, Richard C., T/5 Co K
 Tramel, Oliver T., S/Sgt Co L
 Trant, Henry C., Pfc Co E
 Trilinsky, Milton, Pfc Co E
 Trinker, Gordon A., Pfc Co C
 Trostle, William, Jr., S/Sgt Co I
 Truitt, James K., 1st Lt Co E
 Tuccillo, Jr., Joseph T., 2nd Lt Co I
 Turmelle, Wilfrid J., S/Sgt Co H
 Turner, Don L., Pfc Co E
 Turner, Harry L., S/Sgt Co D
 Turner, Herbert L., 2nd Lt Hq 3d Bn
 Twynham, Theodore T., Pfc Hq Co 2nd Bn
 Tyler, Jr., Samuel, Capt Hq 2nd Bn
 Tyree, Karl T., Jr., Pfc Co D
 Tyree, Samuel J., Pfc M.D.
 Urbanski, John C., Pfc Co B
 Urresti, Alfred, Pfc M.D.
 Vaida, Mitchell, Pfc Co L
 Valenti, LaChance L., S/Sgt Co L
 Vampotic, Albert F., S/Sgt Co F
 Vanarsdale, Russell, Pfc Co E
 Van Dervort, George W., Pfc Co C
 Van Detta, Clement, T/5
 Van Duren, Jack C., Pfc Co F
 Van Pelt, George T., T/Sgt Hq 3d Bn
 Veach, Robert T., 2nd Lt Cn Co
 Vermillion, Daniel O., S/Sgt Co E
 Verner, Marvin E., Pfc Co C
 Vest, Carl A., Sgt Hq Co 3d Bn
 Vida, George, Pvt Co E
 Vidmar, Albert A., Pfc
 Visser, John E., 1st Lt Hq 2nd Bn
 Voelker, John E., Pfc Co D
 Volinsky, Albert, Sgt Co K
 Vullmahn, Christ, Pfc Co G
 Wade, Fred, Pfc
 Waggoner, Fred C., Pfc Co H
 Wahl, Edward J., S/Sgt Co A
 Waid, David D., Pfc Co D
 Waldie, James R., 1st Lt Co B
 Walker, Garnie C., Pfc Co G
 Walls, Roy C., Pfc AT Co
 Walsh, John M., S/Sgt Co I
 Walsh, John W., S/Sgt Co F
 Walters, George F. H., 2nd Lt Co M
 Wannamaker, Harry C., Pfc Co A
 Ward, Delmar R., T/5 Co A
 Ward, Joseph H., 1st Lt Co F
 Ward, Theodore A., Pfc Co K
 Warda, Edward P., Pfc Co A
 Wargo, William, T/Sgt Co C
 Warren, William W., S/Sgt
 Watson, Alexander M., T/4 Co M
 Watson, John B., 1st Sgt Co I
 Watson, Ralph E., Pfc Co D
 Wax, Bernard, Pfc Co C
 Wax, Stennis D., 2nd Lt Co C
 Weaver, Charles E., Sgt Co D
 Weaver, Morgan, T/4 Co M
 Weaver, Richard A., Pfc Co L
 Weaver, William O., Pfc Co C
 Webb, George W., Pfc Co G
 Webb, Paul N., Pfc Co B
 Weber, Gerald G., Pfc Hq 3d Bn
 Weckerman, Joseph J., T/Sgt Co K
 Weikert, Philip H., Pfc Co E
 Weil, Harold L., 1st Lt
 Weinstein, Daniel, Pfc Hq 3d Bn
 Weissel, Harvey C., Jr., Lt Col Hq 2nd Bn
 Weiss, Alfred, Sgt Hq Co 1st Bn
 Weiss, Irving, Pfc Co B
 Wenstrup, John A., Pfc
 Wertz, Donald H., S/Sgt Co I
 Wessel, Albert W., 1st Sgt Co A
 West, Vernon C., T/5 M.D.
 Westfall, Carroll B., Pvt Co C
 Wharton, Phineas C., S/Sgt
 Wheeler, Donald W., Sgt Co I
 Whitaker, William J., S/Sgt Co H
 White, Cecil P., Pfc Hq Co
 White, Rommie C., Jr., Sgt Co I
 White, William G., S/Sgt Co F
 Whitesell, Clarence D., T/Sgt Hq 3d Bn
 Whitney, Larned S., Jr., Capt Sv Co
 Whitus, Robert H., Major Sv Co
 Whorton, Charles W., T/Sgt Co E
 Wilkens, George, 2nd Lt Hq Co 3d Bn
 Wilkie, James R., Pfc Co A
 Wilkinson, Robert L., Pfc Co B
 Willi, Jack C., Pfc Hq Co
 Williams, Billy J., Pfc
 Williams, Charles E., Pfc Co G
 Williams, Elijah J., Pfc Co G
 Williams, John C., Jr., Pfc Hq 3d Bn
 Williams, John G., Pfc Hq 2nd Bn
 Williams, Robert M., Lt Col Hq
 Williamson, Merrill E., T/5 Hq 1st Bn
 Wilson, William F., Jr., S/Sgt AT Co

Winder, John F., Pfc Co L	Yauch, William J., Pfc Co C
Windham, Honnoll C., Sgt Co H	Yeager, Dean M., Pfc Co C
Winston, Keith, Pfc M.D.	Yelton, Donald W., Pfc Co C
Wishinski, Anthony W., Sgt AT Co	Yoey, LaWayne W., Sgt Co D
Wisinger, Harold, Sgt Co D	Yonkers, Friend H., Pfc Hq Co 2nd Bn
Withers, Woodrow W., Pfc Hq 1st Bn	Young, Herbert L., Sgt Co G
Wolf, Raymond T., Pfc Co G	Yuhas, Michael, Pfc M.D.
Wolk, Gerald, Pfc Co A	Zagha, Marco, Pfc M.D.
Wood, Charles R., Pfc Co L	Zahler, Adolph L., Pfc Co B
Woodard, Harold E., T/5 AT Co	Zanoni, Basil P., 1st Sgt Co M
Woodbridge, Jardy B., Jr., 2nd Lt Co G	Zawisza, Frank A., T/4 M.D.
Woods, Thomas E., Sgt Co G	Zeiter, Leland L., Pfc Co M
Woolsey, Martin E., Pfc Co L	Zicari, Pasquale J., Cpl Co H
Wright, Freeman H., S/Sgt Hq 1st Bn	Zimmerman, William, Pfc Co H
Wright, Lee R., Pfc Co A	Zipperman, Nathan, T/5 Co I
Wynne, John H., Pfc Co A	Zmuda, Teddy M., Pfc Co I
Wynne, Jr., Walter J., Cpl Hq 3d Bn	Zugay, Nicholas A., Pfc Hq 3d Bn
Yardley, Richard C., 2nd Lt Co K	Zurbinsky, Sidney, Sgt Co H
Zychowski, Edward A., Pfc M.D.	

12. SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Anderson, Martin C., Pfc Co K	Ripper, James V., Sgt Co F
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13. COMBAT INFANTRY REGIMENT

HEADQUARTERS 100TH INFANTRY DIVISION

OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

APO 447, U.S. Army

GENERAL ORDERS

9 January 1945

No. 9

EXTRACT

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Section V—DESIGNATION OF COMBAT INFANTRY REGIMENT

Under the provisions of War Department Circular Number 408, 17 October 1944, the 398th Infantry Regiment is designated a Combat Infantry Regiment.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL BURRESS:

RICHARD G. PRATHER,

*Colonel GSC,**Chief of Staff*

OFFICIAL:

BYRON C. DE LA MATER,

*Lt. Col. AGD**Adjutant General*

14. FIRST DISTINGUISHED UNIT CITATION

3D BATTALION, 398TH INFANTRY

General Orders

No. 27

WAR DEPARTMENT

Washington 25, D. C., 10 April 1945

The *3d Battalion, 398th Infantry Regiment*, is cited for outstanding performance in combat during the period 17 to 21 December, 1944 near Bitche, France. On 17 December, 1944 the 3d Battalion was assigned the mission of breaching the formidable fortifications of the Maginot Line west of the town of Bitche, France. The main line of enemy defense was Fort Freudenberg, a large fortification, and Fort Schiesseck, which had eleven adjacent units, each unit with a gun emplacement or a series of guns ranging from 47mm to 135mm which were mutually supporting and extremely difficult to attack. The walls of the fortifications were from three to ten feet thick and constructed of reinforced concrete. Some of the units had as many as five stories below ground level with underground railroads which were used for supply. With no terrain features for protection and only shell craters for cover, the 3d Battalion, taking advantage of a 45-minute barrage, moved into the attack. Under intense enemy artillery, mortar, automatic weapons, and small-arms fire, the 3d Battalion pressed the attack and, after fierce fighting, captured Fort Freudenberg along with units 10 and 11 of Fort Schiesseck. At this point the enemy increased their artillery and mortar fire, forcing the battalion to dig in for the night. At 0930 hours the following morning, 18 December, 1944, the attack was continued behind a rolling barrage laid down by supporting artillery. Fighting their way up the steep, barren slope of the difficult terrain, through heavy wire entanglements, the assault detachments, despite harassing enemy fire, rapidly wrested the remaining units of Fort Schiesseck from the enemy. The fighting aggressiveness, courage, and devotion to duty displayed by members of the 3d Battalion, 398th Infantry Regiment, are worthy of the highest emulation and reflect the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States.

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By Order of the Secretary of War:

G. C. MARSHALL,
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

J. A. ULIO,
Major General
The Adjutant General

15. REGIMENTAL COMMANDER'S RECOMMENDATION
FOR CITATION OF 3D BATTALIONHEADQUARTERS 398TH INFANTRY
APO 447 U. S. ARMY

4 January 1945

SUBJECT: CITATION OF UNIT

TO : Commanding General, Seventh Army,
A. P. O. No. 758, U. S. Army. (Thru Channels)

1. Under the provisions of Circular Number 333, War Department, 1943, it is recommended that *3d Battalion, 398th Infantry* be cited in War Department General Orders for outstanding accomplishment in combat during the period 17 to 21 December 1944, near Bitche, France.

2. *a.* On 17 December 1944, the 3d Battalion, 398th Infantry was assigned the mission of breaching the Maginot Line and securing the high ground northwest of the city of Bitche, France, to enable the Division to reach its objective which was the high ground north and northeast of Bitche, France.

b. The enemy had strong fortifications on the high ground northwest of Bitche which dominated the terrain confronting the Division. The main line of enemy defense was Fort Freudenberg and Fort Schiesseck which had eleven adjacent units, all mutually supporting. Each unit had a gun emplacement or series of guns ranging from 47mm to 135mm. The walls of the forts were three to ten feet in thickness, of reinforced concrete which could not be penetrated by large-caliber direct-fire weapons.

c. An unsuccessful attack on Fort Freudenberg and Fort Schiesseck on 14 December 1944 by another unit was followed by two days of precision adjustment by 105mm guns, 8" howitzers, 4.5" guns and 240mm guns. Fighter bombers strafed and bombed this area. The only effect was a hit on Fort Freudenberg which blew open the outside steel door.

d. At 1045 on 17 December 1944, after a 45-minute artillery preparation, Companies I and L crossed the line of departure which had been previously secured by Company K. They were immediately under heavy small-arms, automatic-weapons and observed artillery fire. Company L received direct fire from Fort No. 2 which was equipped with a 135mm gun in a disappearing turret. This fort had direct observation on the men in Company L from a distance of seven hundred yards. Despite this fire Company L continued a steady advance toward Fort

Freudenberg. At the same time Company I on the right was under direct fire from two 88mm guns located near Bitche. Their attack was continued toward Fort No. 10. Company K remained at the line of departure prepared to move forward on order. Company M supported the attack with both platoons of heavy machine guns from the high ground in the vicinity of the line of departure. The 81mm mortar platoon coordinated their fire with the artillery and cannon, covering Forts Freudenberg, Nos. 9 and 10, then lifting to other target areas on Fort Schiesseck as the attack progressed. Fort Freudenberg and Fort No. 10 were reduced and the attack continued toward Fort No. 11. Repeated enemy counter-attacks from northwest of Fort Freudenberg were repelled by a rifle platoon of Company L reinforced with a section of light machine guns placed to protect the left flank of the battalion. An enemy machine gun located in the turret of Fort No. 11 was delaying the attack. This was cleaned out by the aggressive action of the leading detachment of Company L and the attack continued under increasingly heavy enemy artillery and small-arms fire. At Fort No. 11 a steel door was blown up by a satchel charge set off by a bazooka after it had failed to explode. At the same time Company I was setting off explosives in Fort No. 10. In Forts Nos. 10 and 11 the enemy was forced to withdraw to the large subterranean tunnels. Due to heavy barbed-wire entanglements the attack was slowed down and orders given to organize an all-around defense and hold present positions. Company M placed one platoon of machine guns near Fort Freudenberg to protect the left flank and the battalion Antitank Platoon moved into positions to protect from tank attacks from northwest and northeast. During the night a fire fight broke out in the tunnel five stories below ground in Fort No. 11. Numerous casualties were inflicted on the enemy. The next morning, 18 December 1944, the attack was continued at 0930 behind a rolling barrage laid down by our artillery. Following this barrage at two hundred yards Companies I and L forced their way through deep barbed-wire entanglements. Both attacking companies were subjected to long-range machine-gun and direct artillery fire coming from the right rear. Fighting their way up the steep, bare eastern slope of the hill, under constant enemy observation, the assault detachments rapidly eliminated Units Nos. 1, 7, 8, 6, 4 and 5 of Fort Schiesseck.

During this action the company commander of Company I was killed but the company continued forward and took Units 4 and 5. Company L surrounded Units 2 and 3. At 1100, one platoon of Company K moved from the line of departure and attacked Fort No. 9. This fort had been by-passed by the leading companies and was harass-

ing them from the rear. Two other platoons of Company K had moved forward to Fort Freudenberg and Forts Nos. 10 and 11, with the dual mission of repelling counterattacks from west and east. Unable to force an entrance by explosives into many of the forts, the companies surrounded all the forts, consolidated their positions against counterattack and sent for engineer assistance. The battalion Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon equipped with one .50-caliber machine gun and one .30-caliber machine gun was sent to Fort Freudenberg to aid in protecting the battalion left flank. On 19 December 1944 at approximately 0800, fifteen enemy attacked positions around Fort Freudenberg. They were discovered by an observer in the fort and were covered by rifle and machine-gun fire until they were within one hundred yards of our positions. Riflemen and machine guns opened fire at the same time and the resulting volume of fire killed seven of the enemy. The remainder displayed a white flag and surrendered. On 19 December 1944 at approximately 1800 an estimated enemy force of 150 attacked out of the draw from the northeast. This attack was dispersed by small arms, automatic weapons, hand and white phosphorus grenades. The artillery field observer called for defensive fires and drew them within one hundred yards of our troops, resulting in scores of enemy killed and wounded. At the same time thirty enemy forced their way out of Fort No. 2 and attacked from the left rear. This attack was repulsed and the enemy driven off by riflemen guarding Forts Nos. 1, 7, 8 and 6. For the remaining three days the men firmly held their positions under constant artillery and mortar fire. Surrounding forts that could not be entered, they were constantly exposed to enemy fire but remained alert with explosives and grenades to prevent the enemy from remanning these installations. Many attempts by the enemy to infiltrate riflemen and machine gunners resulted in the killing and capturing of twenty enemy. Movement in the daytime without drawing fire was impossible. Ammunition and water had to be carried up at night. The battalion medical section worked constantly under fire to evacuate casualties as fast as possible. Their prompt action saved many lives and kept morale at peak level.

3. Sketches, showing dispositions of troops cited, supporting troops, enemy positions, and general terrain features are attached as Inclosure No. 3.

4. *a.* Nature of terrain: High open ground.
- b.* Enemy morale: Excellent.
- c.* Morale of our troops: Excellent.
- d.* Weather: Cold and clear.

e. Exact time and dates of action: The 3d Battalion attacked the forts at 1130, 17 December 1944, continued the attack the following day at 0930 to capture the forts and occupy the high ground on which the forts were built. On 19 December 1944 the 3d Battalion consolidated and reorganized and occupied the high ground until relieved.

5. *a.* Number of men assigned to 3d Battalion who took part in action: 38 officers; 692 enlisted men.

b. Casualties suffered by 3d Battalion were: KIA—1 officer and 15 enlisted men; WIA—120 enlisted men.

c. Approximate strength of supporting troops, and character of support rendered by other units was:

(1) 375th Field Artillery Battalion.

(2) Corps artillery which consisted of two batteries of 240mm guns, one battalion of 8" howitzers, one battalion 4.5" guns and four battalions of 105mm howitzers.

(3) Bombers of Army Air Corps.

(4) Company B, 325th Engineer Battalion.

6. *a.* Approximate strength of enemy: 125 Germans within the forts and three companies dug in around the forts.

b. Character of enemy fire and observation: The forts and their adjacent units had gun emplacements or a series of guns ranging from 47mm to 135mm, each having a 360-degree traverse making them mutually supporting and extremely difficult to attack. The enemy had complete observation of the sector the 3d Battalion was to attack.

c. Apparent enemy intention, or objective: Defend and hold the forts to the last man. (Reported by captured prisoners.)

d. Losses suffered by enemy: 150 German casualties.

7. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this recommendation.

8. Proposed Citation:

The *3d Battalion, 398th Infantry* is cited for outstanding accomplishment in combat during the period 17 to 21 December 1944 near Bitche, France. The battalion was assigned the mission of breaching the Maginot Line west of the town of Bitche, France. The strong enemy fortifications on the high ground west and northwest of the town were in such a position that they dominated the terrain. The main line of enemy defense was Fort Freudenberg, a large fortification, and Fort Schiesseck, which had eleven adjacent units, each unit with a gun emplacement or a series of guns ranging from 47mm to 135mm, which were mutually supporting and extremely difficult to attack. The walls of the fortifications were reinforced concrete from three to ten feet thick. Some of

the units had as many as five stories below ground level with underground railroads which were used for supply routes. Taking advantage of a forty-five minute barrage, the battalion moved into the attack at 1130 on 17 December 1944, with no terrain features for protection and only the craters made by the artillery fire for cover, which were under continuous enemy mortar, automatic weapons, small arms and heavy artillery fire. The battalion attacked with two companies abreast and after fierce fighting Fort Freudenberg along with Units Nos. 10 and 11 of Fort Schiesseck were captured. The enemy increased their artillery and mortar fire at this point forcing the battalion to dig in for the night. At 0930 on 18 December 1944, the battalion continued the attack taking the remaining units and Fort Schiesseck. The fighting aggressiveness, courage, and devotion to duty displayed by members of the battalion are worthy of emulation and reflect honor upon the armed forces of the United States.

ROBERT M. WILLIAMS,
Lt. Col., 398th Infantry,
Commanding

16. SECOND DISTINGUISHED UNIT CITATION

3d BATTALION, 398TH INFANTRY

General Orders
No. 11

WAR DEPARTMENT
Washington 25, D. C., 30 January 1946

The *3d Battalion, 398th Infantry Regiment*, is cited for outstanding accomplishment in combat during the period 3 to 12 April 1945 in the vicinity of Heilbronn, Germany. After crossing the Neckar River by assault boat, the battalion secured a bridgehead and prepared to hold its position when intense enemy artillery and mortar barrages landed with almost pinpoint precision on the crossing site, making further use of assault boats impossible and isolating the battalion. Simultaneously wave after wave of hostile troops, an entire regiment in strength, counter-attacked, and the weight of the numerically superior foe forced the battalion to withdraw to the river's edge. Despite heavy losses, remnants of the battalion reorganized and, when the Germans stopped to dig in, attacked again and re-took most of the lost ground. Every night for 5 nights the enemy attacked, trying desperately to regain the east bank, but each time they were thrown back. On one occasion, after a 3-mile-long column of enemy troops and vehicles poured into the lines, the Germans charged with reckless and fanatical zeal, and succeeded in making a slight penetration. Committing its reserves, the battalion stopped the attack and reestablished its lines. By the individual heroism and intrepidity of the officers and men of this command, the depleted battalion held the bridgehead for 8 days and nights under continuous and savage shelling, enabling the division to push other troops across the river and insure the success of the vital operation. The accomplishment of the 3d Battalion, 398th Infantry Regiment, reflects the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. (General Orders 277, Headquarters 100th Infantry Division, 9 November 1945, as approved by the Commanding General, European Theater (Main).

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By Order of the Secretary of War:

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER,
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

EDWARD F. WITSELL,
Major General
Acting The Adjutant General

17. REGIMENTAL COMMANDER'S RECOMMENDATION FOR CITATION OF 3D BATTALION

HEADQUARTERS 398TH INFANTRY
APO 447, U. S. ARMY

8 August 1945

SUBJECT: Citation of Unit

TO : Commanding General, Seventh Army, APO 758, US Army
Thru: Channels

1. Under the provision of Circular Number 333, War Department, 1943, it is recommended that *3d Battalion, 398th Infantry* be cited in War Department General Orders for outstanding accomplishment in combat during period 3 to 12 April 1945, near Heilbronn, Germany.

2. *a.* At 2230 on 3 April 1945 the 3d Battalion, 398th Infantry was attached to the 10th Armored Division and given the mission of crossing the Neckar River between Neckarsulm and Heilbronn at 0300 to secure a bridgehead. The bridgehead area consisted of about 1200 yards of flat open ground, dominated by several high hills rising abruptly out of the valley that afforded excellent observation of the area on both sides of the river in and about Neckarsulm and Heilbronn. A ponton bridge was to be constructed at this point to cross an armored task force.

b. For several days the enemy had been retreating before an armored task force, leaving only undefended roadblocks, mines, and a few snipers to slow up the advance of our troops. This armored force had established a line on the west bank of the river and reported no enemy activity across the river. Aerial observation reports were all negative and from all indication the enemy had withdrawn farther to the south and east.

c. Without benefit of prior reconnaissance and with only a few hours to formulate plans, the following orders were issued. Company K, with one heavy machine-gun platoon from Company M attached, was to cross in the first wave. They were to swing to the right after crossing and secure the factory buildings on the outskirts of Heilbronn and continue to phase line 4. Company L with one heavy machine-gun platoon from Company M attached, was to cross in the second wave, swing to the left, secure the lumberyard and buildings near Neckarsulm, and continue to phase line 4. Company I was to cross in the third wave, be in reserve initially, and, as soon as Companies K and L were on phase

line 4, to pass through Company K and attack with Company L to take the final objective which was Castle Hill and the high ground overlooking the valley.

d. At 0300, 4 April 1945 Company K started the crossing. After getting across with practically no opposition, they quickly reorganized and continued the attack, reaching phase line 4 at about 0500. One rifle platoon had been left in the factory buildings to secure the right flank of the battalion. The company commander was then ordered to send a strong combat patrol to Castle Hill to determine if it was occupied. One rifle platoon with a mortar observer and a SCR-300 radio was sent to accomplish this mission. At 0710 the platoon leader reported via radio that his platoon was on top of the hill and was given the order to hold the hill and control the observation. Company L had sustained some casualties while crossing the river, enemy fire killing one officer and several enlisted men. However, they quickly reorganized and pushed aggressively forward until they had cleared the area around the canals and had searched the buildings in the lumberyard. About 0800 they reached phase line 4 and were ordered to hold their position. After crossing the river Company I reorganized in the vicinity of the power plant and prepared to move through Company K.

e. At 0900 the enemy began shelling the crossing site with heavy concentrations of artillery and mortar fire. Barrage after barrage landed with almost pin-point precision on the position used for crossing, making the use of the assault boats impossible and isolating the battalion on the east side of the river. Simultaneously hundreds of enemy troops launched a fierce attack on Companies K and L. It was later determined that the enemy used one full regiment in this attack which was designated to wipe out the battalion and destroy the bridgehead. Wave after wave of enemy troops hit their lines and in spite of the fact that our troops made the maximum use of every weapon, the superiority of the enemy was so great that the battalion was gradually forced back to the edge of the river. The platoon holding Castle Hill was immediately cut off from the rest of the battalion. The Germans, thinking the hill unoccupied, sent several small artillery observation parties up to establish observation posts and our forces captured 12 men and 2 officers before their presence was detected by the enemy. About 1200 this platoon was attacked in force but, in spite of the fact that they were vastly outnumbered, beat off attack after attack, inflicting many casualties on the enemy. At 1600 the platoon leader radioed that his position was entirely surrounded and that his ammunition supply was nearly exhausted. Immediately after this message was completed the radio was destroyed

and the entire platoon was either killed or captured. It was later revealed through interrogation of PWs that it took a force of 90 men armed with automatic weapons to overcome this one platoon. Meanwhile the enemy attack had wiped out one platoon of Company K, one machine gun platoon of Company M, and had completely isolated two platoons of Company L. The rest of the battalion reorganized its forces, established a defensive line in a ravine running almost parallel to river, and repulsed the rest of the savage enemy attacks. The Germans finally withdrew a short distance and began to dig in. At 1045 the battalion launched a determined counterattack with the reserve company and the remnants of the other two companies and drove the enemy back to phase line 3. Approximately 300 Germans had taken positions in the factory buildings on the right and the battalion suddenly found itself subjected to a deadly withering crossfire. The success of the mission depended on holding this ground so the battalion prepared a line along phase line 3. Shortly after the platoon on Castle Hill was captured the Germans established observation posts on the top from which they were able to direct very accurate artillery and mortar fire on our front lines, the river crossing, OP, and all of our other installations. This fire continued without let up for 6 days. At 0230 on 5 April 1945 the enemy attacked in force, first on the left of the defensive position and then on the right, but due to the volume of fire laid down by the battalion with its final defensive fires, the attack failed to dislodge the battalion from its positions. Every night for five nights the enemy attacked, desperately trying to regain the east bank, but every attack was thrown back. On the night of 6 April a 3-mile-long column of enemy troops and vehicles were seen moving into Neckarsulm. Air and artillery were laid on this force but failed to keep it from entering the town. At 0200 the next morning all the battalion positions were subjected to heavy concentrations of enemy artillery, mortar, and rocket fire. At the same time the enemy started a large-scale attack. Coming forward with fanatical zeal and disregarding the casualties being inflicted, they managed to make a slight penetration. Committing its reserve, the battalion stopped the attack and restored its lines. About 30 PWs were taken during this fight. Due to the increased enemy action it was impossible to construct a bridge across the river but the battalion was ordered to hold the position so that other units could cross and bring more force to bear on the enemy. For 8 days and nights the depleted battalion held the bridgehead under constant artillery fire and unable to move during the day due to the excellent observation that the enemy had on the entire area. All rations and supplies had to be taken across the river in assault boats

and hand carried to the front lines, always under the cover of darkness. The battalion A&P platoon organized these carrying parties as well as putting out trip flares and antitank mines forward of our front lines. The battalion medical section very courageously evacuated the many wounded over the open fire-swept terrain across the river to the battalion station. The intrepid actions of the officers and men of this battalion in this engagement enabled the division to push other regiments across and intensify the attack on the enemy. Had the battalion failed to hold the bridgehead a much more costly river crossing would have necessarily had to be made and the offensive in this sector might have been delayed indefinitely. On 12 April, while another unit attacked Heilbronn, the 3d Battalion jumped off in an attack to the south, capturing Neckarsulm and advancing unchecked until they were placed in reserve.

3. Sketches, showing dispositions of troops cited, supporting troops, enemy position, and general terrain features are attached as Inclosure No. 3.

4. *a.* Nature of terrain: Flat open ground at river rising about 1200 yards inland abruptly to high hills.

b. Enemy morale: Excellent.

c. Morale of our troops: Excellent.

d. Weather: Cold with intermittent rain.

e. Exact time and dates of action: The 3d Battalion crossed the river at 0300 on 4 April 1945. Held the position until 1800 on 12 April 1945, when they attacked from the position to take Neckarsulm.

5. *a.* Number of men assigned to 3d Battalion who took part in the action:

45 Officers

861 Enlisted Men

b. Casualties suffered by 3d Battalion were:

MIA—3 Officers, 59 Enlisted Men

KIA—3 Officers, 19 Enlisted Men

WIA—1 Officer, 48 Enlisted Men

c. Approximate strength of supporting troops and character of support rendered by other units was:

(1) 375th Field Artillery Battalion

6. *a.* Approximate strength of enemy: One division in area near Heilbronn and Neckarsulm.

b. Character of enemy fire and observation: During this engagement the enemy used 105 and 155mm Artillery, 210mm rockets, heavy

and light mortars, and 20 and 40mm flak wagons. They had complete observation over the entire area.

c. Apparent enemy intention, or objective: To allow the battalion to cross the river and destroy it.

d. Losses suffered by enemy:

Killed and wounded—430.

Captured—359.

7. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this recommendation.

ROBERT M. WILLIAMS,
Colonel, 398th Infantry,
Commanding

18. REGIMENTAL COMMANDER'S RECOMMENDATION
FOR CITATION OF 1ST BATTALIONHEADQUARTERS 398TH INFANTRY
APO 447 US ARMY

15 September 1945

SUBJECT: Citation of Unit

TO : Commanding General, Seventh Army, APO 758, US Army
Through: Channels

1. Under the provisions of Circular Number 333, War Department, 1943, it is recommended that the *1st Battalion, 398th Infantry*, be cited in War Department General Orders for outstanding accomplishment in combat during period 7-11 April 1945 near Odheim, Germany.

2. *a.* The 1st Battalion, 398th Infantry, was given the mission to continue the attack south toward Heilbronn to assist the 3d Battalion, 398th Infantry, to establish a bridgehead across the Neckar River.

b. Enemy resistance in this sector consisted of two battalions of the 38th SS Panzer Grenadier Regiment, an assault company of the 17th SS Panzer Grenadier Division and the 2d Company of the Battle Group Nord. The strength of this enemy force was approximately eleven hundred men. The enemy's defensive positions were on the commanding ground between the Jagst and Kocher, which afforded them excellent observation and excellent long fields of fire. The terrain was ideally suited for the defense.

c. After the 398th Infantry Regiment had gotten well within the German border, the enemy had been in complete rout, offering little or no resistance. Reaching the Neckar River, all bridges had been found blown, as had been the case at previous water barriers, but still there was no indication of enemy resistance in view. Tenth Armored Division continuing its advance in the vicinity of Heilbronn, key rail and communications city at the head of the redoubt in southern Germany, called for infantry to establish a bridgehead and probe the area on the opposite side of the Neckar River. The 3d Battalion, 398th Infantry, was dispatched from Wimpfen, crossed the river without incident, but, on moving inland, met with a sudden and furious barrage of artillery, mortar, automatic and small-arms fire. The enemy had shown his hand. Unobserved, he had quietly lain in wait behind numerous and strong defenses along the east bank of the river, watching every move of the battalion. At the opportune moment he poured intense fire into the 3d Battalion inflicting heavy casualties and pinning down forward

elements. The advance came to a dead halt. Large numbers of fanatic SS troops followed artillery barrages up with vicious counterattacks with the intention of cutting the bridgehead force into small pockets and annihilating its defenders.

On the morning of 7 April 1945, the 1st Battalion with attached units of one platoon, Company B of the 325th Engineer Battalion; one platoon of the 781st Tank Battalion and a platoon of the 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, struck out from Untergriesheim in an encircling movement toward Odheim with the objective of hitting the enemy at the flank and rear at Heilbronn to relieve the pressure on friendly units fiercely engaged with the SS troops.

The approaches to Odheim were covered first by the Jagst River, over which the 325th Engineers hurriedly threw a bridge, expediting the fanning out of the tanks and tank destroyers toward the objective. Behind the Jagst were many commanding hill positions, notably Hill 233 on the left and 215.8 to the right. Further to the rear and directly between the two hills rose Hill 210.9 forming a perfect triangle, and peering down into the draw between 215.8 and 233. Beyond this natural defense lay Willenbach Farms, an open, flat expanse, offering no means of protection from the intense fire that was to come from the woods to the right and left, and from the high ground behind the next obstacle, the Kocher River.

Companies B and C, without artillery preparation, spearheaded 1st Battalion's drive from the north of Heilbronn. Company C started up the long incline of Hill 233 under intermittent artillery fire and had almost reached the top when sudden and intense automatic fire from caves at the crest of the hill drove the men to the ground. With the volume of fire increasing and supplemented by equally heavy fire from the adjacent hill, the position became untenable. Company C withdrew to the base of the hill under the protecting fire of Company D's heavy machine guns and moved around into the draw of the two hills, while Company B resumed the attack on 233. Company B, with a platoon of Company D attached, succeeded in occupying the hill after a fierce fire fight, amid artillery fire coming in from a new source of strong positions along a road immediately to the front. Two tanks received direct 88mm hits and were knocked out. However, Company C overwhelmed the positions along the road and fought on to Willenbach Farms, where the intensity of artillery and automatic fire compelled a withdrawal back into the draw. The SS followed and again took up its lost positions along the road. In the meantime, Company A was called from its reserve position and proceeded around to the right to protect Company C's flank, as it extended precariously out into Willenbach

Farms. Slowly it went about the process of cleaning out Hill 215.8 after a furious fight with the defenders entrenched in caves. At the end of the day the two hills were secured by Companies A and B. Company C dug in between them in the draw. Casualties were heavy. Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon and also Antitank Platoon of Headquarters Company were called on to act as riflemen and fill in the gaps left by the wounded and killed. What was left of the tank and tank destroyer platoons took up positions atop the hills and fired round upon round into the entrenched enemy. Company D set up its 81mm mortars in batteries behind the hills and lobbed shells into the area before the lines. The numerous enemy positions were heavily pounded with high explosive shells.

The next morning Companies B and C attacked, supported by the heavy weapons of Company D, and with the mobile power of the tank destroyers and the remaining tanks, but again met with furious and unrelenting artillery and small-arms fire. Company B advanced two hundred yards, but C was held in the draw after a valiant attempt on the enemy's dug in positions along the side of the road. Patrols missioned to feel out a weak spot in the enemy's defense could not get as far as sticking their heads out of foxholes without inviting fire from all directions to the front.

It was evident now the defenses of Heilbronn extended to this area and the enemy at this point intended to hold the sector at all costs. The 1st Battalion had to get through not only to relieve the pressure at Heilbronn, but rolling up the enemy's flank at this point would eliminate the entire defense system along the Neckar River, permitting a breakthrough into southern Germany. The enemy was keenly aware of the situation and fortified the sector with approximately a regiment of SS troops determined to hold, kill or be killed.

It was impossible to get through any farther. Time artillery fire was called for to eliminate the positions along the road to the front. All day and the following night the 375th Field Artillery Battalion engulfed the stubborn and determined enemy with concentrations of time fire. On the third day continuous patrolling was carried on, but despite the severe shelling some enemy units remained at their posts to combat the patrols.

On 10 and 11 April the battalion, well below strength, was ordered to attack and secure a line along the north bank of the Kocher River. With Company A continuing its mission of protecting the battalion's flank, Company B started out to the left of Hill 210.9, and together with tanks and tank destroyers, swept across the enemy positions along the road and continued on into the open terrain toward the

Kocher River. Company C moved out toward Willenbach Farms and Odheim without too much difficulty until it had gotten about halfway. Then from the high ground on the south bank of the Kocher River came direct 88mm fire, catching the company out in the open. At the same time heavy small-arms fire came from a patch of woods to the right. Company A moving on the flank of Company C engaged the enemy in the woods. Company C also closed in, having the alternative of remaining in the open under direct artillery fire, or seeking the shelter and concealment of the woods held by the enemy. Moving towards the automatic fire, the men ran into an area heavily planted with electric mines. Company B coming within sight of the Kocher River, encountering comparatively little resistance, suddenly found itself the target of direct artillery and rocket fire. And from Hill 230.1 and the woods to the left came curtains of automatic fire. Company B pushed on to take the hill after tanks neutralized the fire from the woods and the tank destroyers pounded the source of the rockets and the 88s. Company C, its ranks shattered succeeded in circumventing Odheim and reaching a position to the east of the Kocher River.

Again movement was halted. Remnants of Companies B and C, together with Company D and mobile support, punched away at the Kocher River defenses, but the continued heavy and direct 88 fire, in addition to the rocket barrages, thwarted a breakthrough. The Air Corps was called on to silence the SP weapons in the hills on the other side of the Kocher, and with pinpoint accuracy silenced many of the guns. The battalion and attached units then launched an all-out offensive to crack the Kocher River line, and completed the breakthrough. Behind a rolling artillery barrage supplied by the 375th Field Artillery Battalion, the remaining 1st Battalion infantrymen rose from their positions and linked together with the supporting armor to advance over the fire swept terrain and effect a decisive close with the enemy. Some of the SS men seeing the long thin line advance without faltering despite the intense retaliatory fire sprang from their positions and attempted to flee. The tankers cut them down with bursts of machine-gun fire, while the riflemen alternately threw grenades and fired their M1s at close range. The enemy was routed from holes, from behind trees, houses and cellars, and were either killed or captured. Others preferring to be killed, after they had emptied their weapons at the closing-in infantrymen, deliberately stood out in the open and fired before crumpling up under a volley of BAR fire.

The infantry cracked through to the banks of the Kocher River, completing the breakthrough on the flank of the Neckar River defenses. With this vital sector so zealously defended smashed, 1st Battalion was

relieved by fresh units of the 398th Infantry Regiment. But enemy opposition melted away, and resistance along the entire Neckar River collapsed, permitting the drive to continue into southern Germany unchecked.

3. Sketches, showing disposition of troops cited supporting troops, enemy positions, and general terrain features are attached as Inclosure 3.

4. *a.* Nature of terrain: The terrain, rolling and open, was ideally suited for defense. It afforded the enemy excellent observation and fields of fire.

b. Enemy morale: Excellent.

c. Morale of our troops: Excellent.

d. Weather: Clear and warm.

e. Exact time and dates of action: The 1st Battalion was committed on 7 April 1945, continued the attack until 11 April 1945.

5. Number of men assigned to 1st Battalion who took part in action: 46 officers, 854 enlisted men.

b. Casualties suffered by 1st Battalion were:

KIA—1 officer and 25 enlisted men.

MIA—1 officer and 4 enlisted men.

WIA—32 enlisted men.

c. Approximate strength of supporting troops, and character of support rendered by other units was:

(1) 375th Field Artillery Battalion

(2) 1 Platoon, Company B, 325th Engineer Battalion

(3) 1 Platoon, 781st Tank Battalion

(4) 1 Platoon, 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion

6. *a.* Approximate strength of enemy: Two battalions of the 38th SS Panzer Grenadier Division, 2d Company of the Battle Group Nord and 17th Panzer Grenadier Division (one assault company). This included the approximate total of eleven hundred soldiers.

b. Character of enemy fire and observation: The enemy's fire consisted of 88mm artillery, 210mm Nebelwerfer, 50mm mortars, automatic-weapons and small-arms fire. The enemy had complete observation of the sector the 1st Battalion was to attack.

c. Apparent enemy intention or objective: To hold the ground on this side of the Kocher River at all cost.

d. Losses suffered by enemy: All causes, approximately 600.

7. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this recommendation.

ROBERT M. WILLIAMS,
Colonel, 398th Infantry,
Commanding

19. REGIMENTAL COMMANDER'S RECOMMENDATION
FOR CITATION OF 2D BATTALION

HEADQUARTERS 398TH INFANTRY
APO 447 US ARMY

10 August 1945

SUBJECT: Citation of Unit

TO : Commanding General, Seventh Army,
A. P. O. No. 758, U. S. Army (Thru Channels)

1. Under the provisions of Circular 333, War Department, 1943, it is recommended that the *2d Battalion, 398th Infantry Regiment, 100 Infantry Division*, be cited in War Department General Orders for outstanding accomplishment in combat during the period 5 April 1945 to 11 April 1945, near Heilbronn, Germany.

2. On the morning of 4 April 1945, the 2d Battalion moved into Hoenstadt, Germany, and relieved elements of the 63d Infantry Division there with the understanding that a bridgehead was to be established across the Neckar River as soon as possible so as to effect a drive to the high ground to the east of the city of Heilbronn. Patrols were sent out to reconnoiter the river bank and it was decided that the best crossing site was near the village of Offenau. A small combat patrol was organized and under cover of darkness it crossed the broad stream without meeting any opposition. Our move had evidently taken the foe by surprise before he had a chance to prepare defensive positions along the river and so the following morning a platoon from Company F started across to secure the far shore. When they reached mid-stream, they were suddenly fired on by a lone machine gun dug in on the bank some distance away. The stream of bullets splashed into the water a short distance from the boats, but the men escaped without injury and continued on. The automatic weapon was silenced a short time later by our artillery fire. Upon reaching the far shore, the men quickly spread out, occupied Offenau and set up defenses for the crossing site. Engineers began the construction of a footbridge immediately and completed it at 1500 hours that afternoon. The remaining elements of the battalion then crossed over and prepared to continue the attack. Both Companies F and G spent the night in Offenau and Company E moved on into the village of Duttenberg. At 0500 hours the following morning, 6 April, the three rifle companies assembled in Duttenberg and prepared for an assault crossing of the Jagst River, which flowed through a small valley half a mile away. They picked up engineer as-

sault boats in the village and carried them to the banks of the stream. Company E was on the left flank, Company G in the center and Company F on the right. The leading platoons from each company pushed off at approximately the same time and reached the far shore without meeting any opposition. The men quickly unloaded and began running across the one hundred and fifty yards of open terrain towards the railroad embankment, which bordered the high ground and wooded area directly ahead. As the riflemen moved across the grassy field they were suddenly fired on by enemy machine gunners and riflemen entrenched in the woods on both flanks. Some of the men hit the ground immediately, but the majority of them continued on until they reached the embankment, which offered some protection. Seeing what had happened, the men left on the Duttenberg side immediately formed a skirmish line and began firing back at the foe. However, it became apparent that if we were to hold the bridgehead already established, the remaining units of the companies would have to cross over and continue the attack. A patrol from Company E discovered a small dam across the river a short distance upstream and it was decided that both Companies G and E would be able to infiltrate across the narrow wall and make a run for the embankment. Two sections of heavy machine guns were emplaced and they attempted to pin down the enemy while the riflemen forced their way across the stream. Although one of the guns was knocked out of action, the other three continued to deliver a steady stream of covering fire and both companies reached the far shore. However, Company F was receiving fire from three sides and it was impossible for them to fight their way ahead. The commanding officer decided to continue on down the river, hugging the bank as long as possible, until they got within the city of Jagstfeld. After reorganizing Company E was ordered to continue on down the tracks to the village of Heuchlingen. As they moved out the 81mm mortar platoon began laying smoke shells along the railroad to partially conceal their movements. At the same time they fired high-explosive shells into the small patch of woods on the right in an attempt to keep the Germans in their dugouts. The mortar fire was so close that our own men were in constant danger of being wounded by shrapnel, but it was the only way that the foe could be effectively pinned down. Later in the day one platoon from the company was cut off while trying to outflank the enemy positions and forced to fight its way back to Duttenberg under cover of darkness. Company G started across the flat farmland northeast of Jagstfeld at approximately 1100 hours, but they soon ran into the enemy's main defense line and were stopped dead. By 1500 hours the company's effective combat strength was cut down to less

than seventy men and those that remained were ordered to pull back to Heuchlingen for the night. At 1800 hours Company F reached the outskirts of Jagstfeld and succeeded in occupying the first row of houses. They halted here for the night and prepared to continue on in the morning. The following day all three companies moved into Jagstfeld and began the slow task of clearing the town. The stubborn defenders had converted every house into a miniature fortress and our advances were measured in yards. No matter how desperate their plight, the foe refused to surrender and had to be routed from their positions by assault teams armed with bazookas, rifle and hand grenades. When all other means of dislodging them failed, the homes in which they had taken refuge were set on fire and machine guns emplaced to cover all exits. This bitter type of street fighting lasted for four days, during which only forty enemy were captured, but an estimated one hundred and fifty were killed. Finally, on the afternoon of 10 April the leading scout of Company F reached the edge of Jagstfeld and observed the Kocher River flowing below. The enemy had apparently withdrawn to the other side and so our forces prepared defensive positions overlooking the river bank and prepared to spend the night. For the first time in a week the riflemen were able to sleep without being hit by a counter-attack or combat patrol. The following day, 11 April, patrols were sent to reconnoiter the river for a crossing site. Company F discovered a small footbridge near the village of Waldau and it was decided to attempt a crossing that night. At 2200 hours during a heavy rain storm, a patrol started across, but they were forced back by intense small arms and machine-gun fire. At 0200 hours the patrol started out again and succeeded in reaching the far bank without being detected. The single outpost guarding the bridge was quickly eliminated and the remaining elements of the company rushed across. They moved into Waldau and cleared the village, completely surprising twenty-five enemy there and capturing them without a fight. Company E followed and moved on toward the village of Neckarsulm. Company G came last and seized the high ground in front of Waldau before the main force of enemy was aware of what had happened. A Bailey bridge was constructed in a matter of hours and elements of the 10th Armored Division rushed across to exploit the breakthrough.

4. a. The terrain surrounding the Neckar River was flat farmland. The Jagst River flowed through a small valley with approximately two hundred yards of flat land on either side. Between the Jagst and Kocher Rivers the land rose sharply and there were a few patches of woods.

b. The enemy defending the area were SS men and Hitler Youth. They fought with a fanatical determination and refused to surrender no matter how desperate their plight. They had been warned by their commander that any men who withdrew or any civilian who hung up a white flag would be shot immediately.

d. During most of the action the weather was warm and clear. However, during the night of 11 April there was a heavy rain storm.

e. The action took place between 5 April 1945 and 11 April 1945.

5. a. Six hundred men assigned to the 2d Battalion took part in the action.

b. Six of our men were killed, three taken prisoner and fifty-two wounded.

c. The battalion was supported by one platoon from the 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, one platoon from the 781st Tank Battalion and the 375th Artillery Battalion. During the actual river crossing the artillery rendered very effective support, but during the fighting for Jagstfeld our forces were too close to the enemy for any thing except mortar fire. The armored vehicles were used extensively within Jagstfeld, but they were of little value during the river crossings as it was impossible to get them over the streams until bridges had been built.

6. a. Five German rifle companies were definitely identified within the battalion sector. It is estimated that they numbered between seven hundred and seven hundred fifty men.

b. The enemy occupied positions on the high ground in front of our forces and had excellent observation over the entire area. The line companies were subjected to mortar fire, small arms, machine guns, rockets and flak. The village of Duttenberg, where battalion headquarters was located during most of the action, was subjected to direct fire from a self-propelled 155mm artillery piece.

c. This line was the enemy's last defense positions in Central Germany. They intended to hold us back as long as possible in order to enable the final completion of their last defense line farther south.

d. During the entire engagement eighty enemy were captured, an estimated two hundred killed, a flak wagon destroyed and an undetermined number wounded.

7. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this recommendation.

ROBERT M. WILLIAMS,
Colonel, 398th Infantry,
Commanding

20. DIVISION COMMANDER'S RECOMMENDATION FOR CITATION OF 398TH COMBAT TEAM

HEADQUARTERS 100TH INFANTRY DIVISION

Office of the Commanding General

APO 447, U. S. ARMY

1 September 1945

SUBJECT: French Award

TO: Commanding General, USFET, APO 887, U.S. Army
Through Channels

1. It is recommended that the 398th Infantry Regimental Combat Team be cited in French General Orders for outstanding accomplishment in combat during the period 3 April 1945 to 11 April 1945, near Heilbronn, Germany.

2. On 3 April 1945 the 398th Infantry Regiment, after three weeks of rapid advances which had carried our forces over 150 miles, from the Maginot fortress city of Bitche to the banks of the Neckar River deep inside Germany, was ordered to establish a bridgehead across the river above the city of Heilbronn and then continue on toward the south. For several days the enemy had been retreating before an armored task force, leaving only undefended roadblocks, mines and a few snipers to delay us. This armored force had established a line on the west bank of the river and reported no enemy activity on the other side. Aerial reports were negative and from all indications the enemy had continued their withdrawal. Plans were quickly formulated for the crossing and all three rifle battalions moved into position along the stream. The 3d Battalion was to make the initial landing and the other two were to be prepared to exploit the breakthrough. At 0300 hours 4 April Company K, under Capt. William E. Nelson, started across the broad stream in engineer assault boats and reached the far shore without meeting any opposition. The company quickly reorganized and continued the attack, reaching the first objective at 0500. Lt. Col. Ernest L. James, the battalion commander, then ordered the company to send a strong combat patrol to Castle Hill, high ground directly ahead which offered a commanding view of the entire valley, to determine if it was occupied by the foe. One rifle platoon with a mortar observer and SCR-300 radio was sent to accomplish this mission. At 0710 Lt. Alfred J. Rizzo, the platoon leader, reported that he was on top of the hill and he was ordered to hold the ground. In the mean-

time Capt. Samuel Teitelbaum of Company L had succeeded in getting his men across the river and after clearing the area around the canal and lumberyards, he was ordered to dig in. Company I, commanded by Capt. Lloyd C. McNally, crossed last and after reorganizing prepared to pass through Company K.

At 0900 the enemy began shelling the crossing site with heavy concentrations of artillery and mortar fire. Barrage after barrage landed with pinpoint precision, making the use of assault boats impossible and isolating the entire battalion on the east bank of the river. At the same time an entire regiment of Hitler Youth and SS troopers launched a fierce counterattack against Companies K and L. In spite of the fact that our forces fought tenaciously, making the maximum use of every available weapon and inflicting extremely heavy casualties on the foe, the fanatical enemy gradually forced the battalion back to the river's edge and the platoon holding Castle Hill was immediately cut off. At 1200 the enemy staged an all-out assault against the beleaguered platoon, but our men resisted the attack and held their positions. During the next four hours wave after wave of Germans charged forward, but each attack was repulsed. Finally, at 1600 hours Lt. Harry W. Abregart, the 81mm mortar observer, reported that the platoon's supply of ammunition was exhausted and it would be impossible to hold out any longer. Immediately after this message the radio was destroyed, but it was later learned through the interrogation of prisoners that over 125 enemy had been killed while trying to dislodge this small group of men. Meanwhile the attack had wiped out one platoon of Company K, one machine-gun platoon of Company M, and had completely isolated two platoons of Company L. The remaining units of the battalion formed a defense line in a ravine running almost parallel to the river and repulsed the rest of the savage assaults. After capturing Castle Hill the Germans established a forward observation post there and for the next six days accurately adjusted artillery, rocket and mortar fire on our front lines, command posts and the crossing site.

With the 3d Battalion's advance effectively stopped, Col. Robert M. Williams, the Regimental commander, ordered the 2d Battalion to attempt another crossing farther upstream in an attempt to outflank the stubborn enemy. After making a personal reconnaissance of the river bank Lt. Col. Harvey C. Weisel, the battalion commander, decided that the best site was near the village of Offenau. On the morning of 5 April S/Sgt. William LeVesque of Company F led a small reconnaissance patrol across the river and into the village without meeting any opposition. The remaining elements of the company quickly followed and

established defenses for the crossing site. Company B, 325th Combat Engineer Battalion, under Capt. John J. Upchurch, began the construction of a footbridge and completed it by 1500 hours. The remaining units of the battalion then crossed over into Offenau and prepared to spend the night. The Neckar River had been crossed without too much difficulty, but before the 2d Battalion could begin the drive towards Heilbronn in earnest two more rivers, the Jagst and the Kocher, had to be crossed. Under cover of the pre-dawn darkness the following day the three rifle companies moved into Duttenberg, procured engineer assault boats and carried them to the banks of the river, which flowed swiftly through the center of a small valley half a mile away. At 0500 the first wave started across the river, but before reaching mid-stream they were greeted by a deadly volley of fire from hostile machine guns, mortars and riflemen entrenched on the far shore. The battalion was forced to withdraw slightly, but a short time later, under cover of an extremely heavy mortar and artillery barrage, Companies E and G moved ahead a second time, forced their way across the swift stream and continued on until they reached the railroad embankment which bordered the wooded area and high ground directly ahead. Skillfully deploying his men, Capt. George H. Adams, Commanding Officer of Company F, led them down the river, hugging the bank for protection from the hostile fire until they reached the outskirts of the city of Jagstfeld. They seized a row of houses on the edge of town and prepared to spend the night there. At noon Company E and Company G continued their attack. Two platoons of Company E under Capt. Thomas H. Garahan began moving down the railroad tracks toward the small village of Heuchlingen. The terrain was perfectly flat and offered little protection from the German gunners, who were dug in on the right flank. As the leading scout moved out the 81mm mortar platoon began laying smoke shells along the tracks in an attempt to screen the company's movements. At the same time the 375th Field Artillery Battalion, commanded by Lt. Col. Raymond Renola, laid a heavy barrage on the hostile positions. The 3d Platoon was placed under the command of Lt. John W. Pittman and ordered to approach the village from the rear. The main body of the company reached their objective by mid-afternoon and after two hours of bitter house-to-house fighting, during which thirty enemy were killed and twenty captured, Heuchlingen was cleared. However, Lieutenant Pittman's platoon had traveled less than three hundred yards when they were completely surrounded and subjected to withering crossfire from machine guns and rifles. The platoon fought off the foe for almost six hours and finally under cover

of darkness withdrew back to the river and into Heuchlingen. A few minutes after Company E moved out, Company G, under Capt. Matthew B. Einsmann, began moving across the flat farm land north of Jagstfeld towards the village of Waldau on the Kocher River. However, the company had only traveled a short distance when they ran into the enemy's main defense line and became pinned down by fire from three sides. The company engaged in a bitter fire fight, but finally at 1800 hours, the effective combat strength reduced to less than sixty men, Captain Einsmann was ordered to pull back to Heuchlingen for the night.

Early the following morning the 1st Battalion commanded by Lt. Col. Ralph C. McCrum crossed over on the bridge at Offenau and prepared to continue the attack on the 2d Battalion's left. At dawn Companies E and G moved into Jagstfeld and along with Company F began the slow and costly process of clearing the town house by house. At the same time Company B, commanded by Lt. William C. Henson and Company C, commanded by Capt. Joseph L. Rimlinger, began an attack against the foe a short distance upstream. Both units moved out without the usual artillery preparation and immediately met fierce resistance. By the end of the day they had seized Hill 233 and dug in there. During this action Pfc. Mike Colallilo of Company C was credited with single-handedly killing twenty-five Germans and silencing three machine gun positions. At dusk Company A under Lt. William C. Henson moved forward with the other companies and the entire battalion dug in on the high ground they had seized for the night. At midnight the enemy staged determined counterattacks against all three battalions, but they were successfully repulsed. The next morning April 8 the 2d Battalion continued on farther into Jagstfeld and the 1st Battalion moved on towards Hagenbach. Both continued to meet fierce resistance and only gained a few yards during the entire action. The 3d Battalion, still clinging tenaciously to its precarious positions, repulsed three more attacks. On the 9th and 10th the 1st and 2d Battalions remained on the offensive, but again their gains were limited to short distances. On the evening of the tenth it was discovered that the enemy was planning to withdraw across the Kocher River and occupy prepared positions on the other side. Both battalions immediately began an all-out offensive, which took the foe completely by surprise and proved very costly for him. Both organizations reached the Kocher River on the morning of the 11th and the 1st Battalion was then relieved by the 2d. Later in the afternoon Major Robert F. Curran, Regimental S-3, came forward to look over the area and it was decided

to attempt a crossing immediately. At 2200 hours during a heavy rain-storm a small patrol from Company F started across to see if the village of Kochendorf was occupied, but the group was forced back by intense small-arms fire. The bank was subjected to a four-hour artillery and mortar barrage and again at 0200 hours the patrol started across. The barrage had completely disorganized the enemy and the group reached the far shore without meeting any opposition. The remaining elements of the company quickly followed and occupied Offenau before the Germans could reorganize and offer opposition. The next morning both the 2d and 3d Battalions jumped off in the attack and after joining at Neckarsulm continued on unchecked. After nine days of the bitterest type of fighting, the heroism and courage displayed by every member of the combat team resulted in the breaking of the enemy's last organized defense line and the beginning of the onslaught which culminated in the capture of Austria and the Alps.

3. *a.* Nature of the terrain: The terrain was rolling and open, ideally suited for defense.

b. Enemy morale: Excellent

c. Morale of our troops: Excellent

d. Weather: Warm and clear during most of the action.

e. Time of action: 3-11 April 1945.

4. Casualties:

MIA—4 officers, 66 enlisted men.

KIA—4 officers, 50 enlisted men.

WIA—3 officers, 134 enlisted men.

5. Strength of enemy: One full division in the Heilbronn area.

6. *a.* Character of enemy fire: The enemy used 105 and 155mm artillery pieces; 210mm rockets; heavy and light mortars; 20 and 40mm flak wagons plus numerous machine guns and anti-tank guns. They occupied high ground ahead of our forces and had excellent observation over the area.

b. Apparent enemy intentions: This was the Germans' last organized defense line and they intended to hold it at all costs.

c. Losses suffered by the enemy: 1,669 killed and wounded.

W. A. BURRESS,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Commanding

21. MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

HEADQUARTERS 2D BATTALION 398TH INFANTRY
APO 447, U. S. ARMY

May 7, 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of Meritorious Service Unit Plaque.

TO : Commanding General, 100th Infantry Division,
APO 447, U.S. Army

1. In accordance with the provisions of Section 1, War Department Circular 345, dated August 23, 1944 it is recommended that the 2d Battalion Headquarters Company, 398th Infantry Regiment, be awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque.

2. During this period of combat operations the various platoons of 2d Battalion Headquarters Company performed all their duties in an exemplary manner. The Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon has cleared dozens of hostile minefields, roadblocks and barbed wire entanglements. The Antitank Platoon has continually rendered effective support to the rifle companies. They have, on several occasions, destroyed houses used by the enemy as observation posts and strong-points, making an attack by riflemen unnecessary. The Communication Platoon has laid over nine hundred fifty miles of wire, most of it under fire.

During the period from November 8 to November 20, while we were fighting for the city of Raon l'Etape, supplying the rifle companies became a major problem. The few mountain trails that did exist had been made impassable by late autumn rains and were useless to our forces. Each morning during the period members of the Antitank and Communication Platoons carried sorely needed food and ammunition forward, assuring the riflemen of a steady flow of supplies. At the same time the A&P Platoon was engaged in clearing paths through the numerous minefields that infested the area and the Intelligence Section manned forward observation posts overlooking the foe's positions.

In early December, while engaged in bitter fighting for Puberg, Souche and other villages of Northern Alsace and later in the month while assaulting the Maginot Forts surrounding the city of Bitche, each platoon performed their assigned tasks in a superior manner. Between December 31 and January 5 the battalion command post was located in the village of Holbach. Both flanking units had been forced back

by determined enemy attacks and we were in danger of being cut off from other units of the Division. The entire company dug defensive positions and prepared to hold the village at all costs.

Between January 15 and March 10, the Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon strung barbed wire fences in front of the companies, laid many minefields and numerous trip flares. The Antitank Platoon established gun positions with the forward squads and stood ready day or night to repel any armored thrust.

Since that time, during the second assault on Bitche, the push into Germany, the crossings of the Jagst and Kocher Rivers, Headquarters Company and especially the Wire Section of the Communication Platoon had worked day and night to establish supply and communication lines and keep up with the rapid advance of the rifle companies.

3. This recommendation is also based on the following:
 - a. The superior military courtesy displayed by all members of the command indicate a high standard of discipline.
 - b. The appearance of personnel, installations and equipment has always been clean and neat.
 - c. The entire company has always received and executed all orders promptly and cheerfully.
 - d. There have been no venereal disease cases in the organization during the entire period.
 - e. No members of the organizations have been AWOL.
 - f. There have been no convictions by courts-martial.
 - g. There have been no men punished under the 104th Article of War.
4. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth.

HARVEY C. WEISEL, JR.
Lt. Col. 398th Infantry,
Commanding

HEADQUARTERS 398TH INFANTRY

APO 447, U. S. ARMY

May 8, 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of Meritorious Service Unit Plaque.

TO : Commanding General, 100th Infantry Division
APO 447, U. S. Army

1. In accordance with the provisions of Section 1, War Department Circular 345, dated August 23, 1944 it is recommended that the Headquarters Company, 398th Infantry Regiment, be awarded the Meritorious Service Plaque.

2. During the period of combat operations of this regiment (from November 6, 1944 to April 30, 1945), all platoons of Regimental Headquarters Company performed their various missions in a superior manner. The communication platoon has consistently maintained a telephone wire network far larger than that specified in training literature, and has laid more than 1200 miles of wire, often under hostile artillery and mortar fire. The I & R Platoon has made countless reconnaissances over dangerous and difficult terrain, very frequently under enemy fire of all kinds. The enemy information that the platoon has obtained has been of great value to the planning of successful operations of this regiment.

During the fight for the area in the vicinity of Bertrachamps, France, from November 8, 1944 to November 10, 1944, the I & R Platoon spent two days and one night on a high plateau in the vicinity of Bru, France, observing the enemy. They were under heavy hostile sniper and 88 fire. The weather was bitterly cold and snowy, the night extremely dark. There were Germans on the plateau, and no supporting troops were within easy calling distance. Nevertheless, the I & R Platoon courageously and determinedly stayed at their posts and obtained the desired information.

While the I & R Platoon was on the above mentioned plateau, the communication platoon wire teams laid wire up to the I & R Platoon positions by hand in the bitter cold and repeatedly repaired breaks in the long line in the dead of night.

When the Regimental Command Post was located in the town of Enchenberg, France, from December 20, 1944 to January 5, 1945, it was in grave danger of being cut off from the rest of the friendly forces

by hostile flanking action from the right. In this situation the company prepared defensive positions to hold the town, and when the command post was finally forced to move, the withdrawal to Montbronn, France, was accomplished quickly and efficiently.

During the rapid advance across western Germany after the Rhine crossing, the communication platoon worked night and day laying and maintaining extremely long wire lines (in one case eighteen miles), and the I & R Platoon reconnoitered many untraveled roads without regard to possible mine fields, so as to insure the roads for our columns.

3. This recommendation is also based on the following:
 - a.* Headquarters Company has always maintained a high standard of discipline as evidenced by superior military courtesy.
 - b.* Appearance of personnel, installations and equipment of Headquarters Company has been outstanding.
 - c.* Personnel have always received and executed orders cheerfully and promptly.
 - d.* There have been no venereal diseases in this company during the entire period.
 - e.* No members of this organization have been AWOL.
 - f.* There have been no convictions by courts martial.
 - g.* There have been no men punished under the 104 AW.
4. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth.

ROBERT M. WILLIAMS,
Lt. Col. 398th Infantry,
Commanding

HEADQUARTERS, 1ST BATTALION
398TH INFANTRY

May 15, 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque.
TO : Commanding General, 100th Infantry Division,
APO 447, U.S. Army

1. In accordance with the provisions of Section 1, War Department Circular 345, dated August 23, 1944, it is recommended that the *Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 398th Infantry*, be awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque.

2. During the six-month period that the 398th Infantry has been in combat, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, has amassed an enviable record for performance and competence in organization, facilitating the success that this battalion has achieved in combat.

The 1st Battalion Antitank Platoon displayed a remarkable adaptability to the unusual requirements of fighting in the Vosges Mountains and similar difficult terrain where there was an absence of large numbers of German tanks. Besides furnishing the battalion with the primary antitank protection, this platoon served as litter bearers and ammunition bearers under hazardous conditions. Manning front line positions during the defense of Lemberg from January 29 to March 13 the guns fired both harassing indirect fire and direct fire, eliminating a number of enemy dugouts. In the two attacks at Bitche, from December 14-23 and March 15-16, the platoon gave close support to the line companies, firing at pill boxes of the Maginot Line, and in one instance killing one enemy soldier, wounding another, and forcing eight more to surrender. At Untergriesheim from April 7-11 the Antitank Platoon went into the line as riflemen to plug up a large gap between our battalion and the 63d Division on our left flank. Here the 1st Battalion was being opposed by a regiment of fierce resisting SS troops. For the entire campaign the Antitank Platoon has proven itself capable of meeting all the situations that it has confronted.

The Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon of the 1st Battalion has done a commendable job of keeping the battalion supplied with ammunition at all times and under all conditions. It has constructed and maintained roadblocks, has built roads in the battalion sector, and has constructed defensive positions and placed wire entanglements across the front of the lines on numerous occasions. In addition to its regular duties it has been called upon to serve as a rifle platoon, litter bearer squad, and a

reconnaissance patrol. During the period of the attack on Wingen on December 4 Company A had lost contact with other units of the battalion and the Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon was called upon to go out with ammunition and rations and to reestablish contact with Company A. In attempting to locate Company A the platoon encountered heavy artillery and mortar fire. After continuing the advance for several hundred yards under fire they were pinned down and forced to dig in. This position was held for several hours without the protection of any friendly units. On December 14, while the attack on Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck of the Maginot Line was in progress, this platoon served as riflemen to cover the withdrawal of the battered assault companies. All during the period that this battalion was in action the Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon has done an efficient job of clearing the mines and roadblocks, often under enemy observation and artillery and small-arms fire to facilitate the advance of the assault units of this battalion.

The Wire Section of the Communications Platoon has done an outstanding job of laying and keeping in repair wire lines between the battalion command post and the line companies and attached units. During every attack wire teams have been assigned to the assault companies, and their work in laying wire quickly despite intense fire has been a great aid in keeping contact within the battalion. During several long moves, especially this Division's drive south toward Stuttgart, the Wire Section has worked day and night to lay wire from Regimental to battalion headquarters, often traveling over roads which have never been cleared of mines and through areas never cleared of German troops. In the drive toward Stuttgart the Radio Section also assumed a vital role. The complex problem of keeping contact between the battalion commanding officer, tanks, tank destroyers, and three rifle companies, often headed for three different objectives, was solved largely through the untiring effort of radio operators and repairmen, who were on the job day and night. During the attacks of December 14 on Bitche, January 9 on Rimling, March 15-16 on Bitche, and April 7-11 on Odheim, the Radio Section had operators who worked under concentrated enemy shelling at the forward battalion observation post. The Message Center vehicles have played an important part in reconnoitering unknown areas in addition to their primary job of carrying papers and messages to the Regimental Message Center. Near Affaltrach on April 15 and Murhardt on April 20 their drivers were called upon to travel through territory never cleared by rifle troops, and in several cases were fired upon by small groups of enemy riflemen. In the early stages of every move, Message Center vehicles have been used to con-

tact company command posts before wire communications were laid. In every case the three sections of the Communications Platoon, using whatever means best fitted for the situation, have worked so efficiently that at no time has the tactical operation of the battalion been impeded because of lack of communications.

The S-1 Section of battalion headquarters has done an outstanding job of handling the administrative duties of the battalion. Through untiring effort and adaptability to any situation, it quickly learned to cope with the unusual requirements of combat. It has turned out painstaking reports, investigations, and other work under conditions which made such work nearly impossible. Even during the Vosges Mountain campaign, when battalion command posts consisted of a large foxhole, or at best a tent, the S-1 Section was commended for its high standard of efficiency.

The S-2 and S-3 Sections have worked in close cooperation with each other to handle the intelligence and operational problems of the battalion. During attacks the S-2 Section has men at the forward observation post, while the S-3 Section generally operates a forward command post, close enough to the attacking companies to handle instantly any problems that might arise. The S-2 Section has handled interrogation and guard of all prisoners taken by this battalion, and the information obtained in this manner has often made easier the taking of many of this battalion's objectives. During the period January 29 to March 13, when the 1st Battalion was on line near Lemberg, France, and again from January 9-19 near Rimling, the S-2 Section led several reconnaissance patrols into enemy territory, and worked in close harmony with the S-3 Section, which planned the highly-successful raids by the 1st Battalion Raider Platoon.

The Battalion Maintenance Section, operating in two independent, self-sufficient teams of one motor sergeant and two mechanics each under the battalion motor officer has unstintedly proven its value to the unit by keeping the organic and attached vehicles rolling. On numerous occasions the motor sergeants and mechanics have retrieved disabled vehicles under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire in the most undesirable terrain and weather conditions and at all hours of the day and night. On two specific occasions, December 14 near Bitche and again on December 16 near Bitche, maintenance personnel have made their way through known minefields to repair and retrieve disabled vehicles. During the last seven months in which the average vehicle traveled six thousand miles, there have been many long and tedious convoys composed of from fifty to one hundred and fifty vehicles under

the supervision of the Battalion Motor Transportation Officer assisted by the motor sergeants. Of all of these movements the most notable was from Misonthal, France, to Lemberg, France. Starting at 1500 and traveling without a reconnaissance over muddy, mine-infested roads, the convoy encountered artillery and mortar fire at roadblocks necessitating turning around on small mountain trails. The motor movement arrived at its destination at 0100 the following day only after fourteen vehicles had been pulled out of holes and some snatched from precarious positions near sharp cliffs. In every inspection since this unit has been in combat the Maintenance Section has been rated excellent.

Throughout the entire campaign of the 100th Division in the European Theater of Operations all of the sections of this company have performed their duties individually and collectively in a manner that is a credit to the Division and the Army of the United States.

3. *a.* During the period of service in France and Germany this company has been complimented on many occasions for its military courtesy and discipline by members of this and other divisions.

b. Through inspections and encouragement of personal pride in the unit the appearance of the men, the temporary installations, and the equipment of this company has been commendable.

c. Both the orders from within the unit and from higher echelon have been received and executed in a spirit of cooperativeness and enthusiasm.

d. Venereal disease rate in this company for the six-month period for which the award is recommended is as follows:

5 November 1944—	5 December 1944—	0
5 December 1944 —	5 January 1945 —	0
5 January 1945 —	5 February 1945 —	0
5 February 1945 —	5 March 1945 —	1
5 March 1945 —	5 April 1945 —	1
5 April 1945 —	5 May 1945 —	0

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Total—2

e. There have been no men A.W.O.L. during this period.

f. There have been no convictions by courts-martial during this period.

4. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this recommendation.

RALPH C. MCCRUM,
Major, 398th Infantry,
Commanding

HEADQUARTERS 100TH INFANTRY DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL
APO 447, U. S. ARMY

4 March 1945

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Section V—AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Section I, Circular Number 345, War Department, 23 August 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the *Service Company, 398th Infantry Regiment*, for superior performance of duty and the achievement of a high standard of discipline during the period from 21 October 1944 to 12 February 1945.

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BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL BURRESS:

RICHARD G. PRATHER,
Colonel GSC,
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

BYRON C. DE LA MATER,
Lt. Col. AGD
Adjutant General

HEADQUARTERS 3D BATTALION

398TH INFANTRY

APO 447, U. S. ARMY

May 24, 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque.

TO : Commanding General, 100th Infantry Division,
APO 447, U.S. Army

1. In accordance with the provisions of Section I, War Department Circular 345, dated August 23, 1944 it is recommended that the Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 398th Infantry Regiment, be awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque.

2. Throughout the Vosges Campaign from November 6, 1944 to December 17, 1944 all units of Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 398th Infantry Regiment, worked untiringly to support the tactical operations of this battalion. After crossing the Merthe River, in the engagement to take the high ground in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, the battalion was cut off from the use of vehicles in maintaining communications and supply to the advancing rifle companies. The Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon hand-carried rations and ammunition for miles over mountainous terrain to keep the battalion supplied. As the antitank guns were not being used during this engagement the Antitank Platoon assisted in this difficult task. The Communications Platoon kept communications established with the leading elements in spite of the fact that they had to be hand-carried and laid over difficult terrain infested by bypassed enemy snipers.

During the bitter fighting to take the strongly fortified Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck of the Maginot Line northwest of Bitche, France, on December 17-21, 1944 every man in Headquarters Company did important work to support the battalion's struggle breaching these strongpoints. The Intelligence Section continually operated the battalion command post while under constant artillery and mortar fire. The Antitank Platoon moving their guns over open terrain under observation of the enemy, supported the leading elements by firing on pillboxes and covered the flanks against mechanized attack. The Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon made numerous trips over a road subjected to artillery, mortar, and sniper fire to keep the assaulting units supplied with ammunition and supplies. The drivers operated their vehicles over unswept roads under artillery and mortar fire, and the

maintenance section worked day and night to keep the vehicles in operation.

For six (6) weeks, during February and March, 1945, the battalion was occupying defensive positions in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. During this period the Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon went out at night, between the two front lines, to construct defensive barbed wire entanglements across the entire front, and the Antitank Platoon went into front line positions to act as riflemen.

On April 4, 1945 the battalion was given the mission of establishing a bridgehead across the Neckar River in the vicinity of Heilbronn, Germany, so that a treadway bridge could be constructed on which it was planned to move an armored unit across. The battalion established the bridgehead but due to the intensity of the hostile artillery and many large scale counterattacks, the bridge could not be constructed. The Communication Platoon constructed an underwater cable to maintain the communication lines across the river and the wire crews repeatedly risked their lives to repair the wire lines which were constantly being destroyed by the enemy artillery. The Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon supplied the battalion, using assault boats, while under enemy observation and subjected to constant hostile mortar and artillery fire. The Antitank Platoon moved their guns across on infantry support craft and provided the battalion with the only protection that they had against mechanized attack.

During this entire period, the administrative section worked tirelessly to keep accurate company and battalion records, in training replacements, handling awards, disseminating information and coordinating the movement of hot food up to the troops.

The success of this battalion in combat has been in a large measure due to the superior support provided by the Battalion Headquarters Company. The outstanding work done by the entire personnel of this company reflects high credit on the Army of the United States.

3. This recommendation is also based on the following:

- a. The personnel of this unit have on all occasions displayed a high standard of discipline as evidenced by their excellent military courtesy.
- b. The appearance of the personnel, installations, and equipment of this organization has always been excellent.

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4. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this recommendation.

ERNEST L. JANES,
Lt. Col., 398th Infantry,
Commanding

HONOR ROLL

Accommando, James J.	Coats, Earl
Adams, Earl L.	Coffey, James C.
Albright, John M.	Cohen, Hyman
Allen, Joseph R.	Collier, Alvis H.
Anderson, Leorne W.	Collins, Robert J.
Arheit, Frederick J.	Cook, Raymond W.
Ashton, Roger S.	Cook, Robert C.
Atkinson, Lonzo E.	Cowley, Daniel G.
Austin, Sherburne C.	Curtis, Paige K.
Baeschlin, Sidney J.	Daly, James S.
Baker, Floyd W.	Danchik, Samuel
Baker, William C.	Danner, Edward G.
Barcal, Richard J.	Darrow, Leonard
Barney, Pete J., Jr.	Devereaux, John J.
Bixby, Lester W.	Dillon, John J.
Borjon, Charles	Dipoma, Dewey L.
Brackett, Samuel W.	DiPrizito, Louis G.
Brandon, Richard G.	Dolphin, Howard F.
Brott, Charles A.	Doran, Harold H.
Brueggemann, Raymond F., Jr.	Dorn, Rueben
Bruno, Anthony C.	Downey, John H.
Bryant, Gilbert L.	Dupuis, Howard J. E.
Buck, Jacob J., Jr.	Durko, Stephen J.
Bujnowski, Frank B.	Eischer, Wilbur G.
Burrola, Frank M.	Ethridge, Jack A.
Callen, William	Ewing, Huling D.
Castillo, Raymond D.	Ferguson, John D.
Chabot, Deziel P.	Fischer, W. G.
Chesney, Robert E.	Fletcher, Arthur L.
Church, Harry S.	Folds, William M., Jr.
Clutter, James H.	Forrest, Richard A.
Clyburn, Clifford J.	Freibel, Leo R.
Coale, Joseph H.	Funari, Robert, Jr.

Gallegos, Jess	Jempelis, John
Gallup, Francis M.	Johnson, Edwin E.
Giffold, Robert E.	Jonas, Charles N.
Gilmour, William R.	Jordan, Walter L.
Glass, Richard	Kearfoot, John L.
Gooch, Virgil J.	Kee, William E.
Goodrich, Charles S.	Keel, Roy C.
Graden, Richard C.	Kenney, John B.
Grakus, Frank J.	Kidd, William G.
Gray, Chester B.	King, Claude W.
Greenwell, Charles E.	King, Frederick C.
Gruber, Ray E.	King, Rufus A.
Guasti, Frank J.	Knaus, Herbert F.
Haley, Jack R.	Koelenbeck, Daniel R.
Hannigan, Jack P.	Lakman, Raymond W.
Harderson, Alton V.	Langlois, Benard J.
Harris, Dempsee J.	LaPietra, Anthony
Hash, Loma M.	Large, Charles B.
Hatfield, Ellis H.	Lederer, Theodore H.
Hay, Rollin W.	Leeman, Lyle R.
Helmers, Henry H.	Leggett, Wallace H.
Hemmel, Robert G.	Leight, William F.
Hensley, Harry C., Jr.	Lieberman, Bert H.
Hermes, Vincent J.	Lloyd, Richard J.
Hiller, Robert D.	Loehding, Ben F.
Hochevar, Henry F.	Lutz, George E.
Hoffmann, Edward M.	Lynch, John J.
Holmes, John R.	McCallum, Burton G.
Hosse, Robert	McFadden, Charles
Howard, Leroy	McInerney, Martin T.
Hunger, Irving	MacDonald, Thomas G.
Hurd, James E.	Malavasi, Ardilio N.
Igo, Vernon L.	Manis, Miller K.
Ihrig, Theodore M.	Manosh, Robert F.
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Jacobsen, Edward A.	Medaglia, Peter A.

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Mendoza, Remedios S.	Royse, Walter W.
Merrick, Paul H.	Russin, Joseph P.
Miller, DeRonda T.	Rynkiewicz, Adam J.
Miller, Robert E.	Schaefer, Matthew W.
Minnon, Mike J.	Schiffman, Philip
Mole, Samuel A.	Schmidt, Carl J.
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Montie, Jay V.	Seijo, Victor M.
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Moon, Allen L.	Shue, Homer P.
Moran, Robert E.	Shults, Harold A.
Morgan, Albert R.	Smith, David H.
Morris, Robert A.	Smith, Griffin D.
Murray, Robert J.	Sorenson, Ray V.
Napier, Robert L.	Spada, Salvatore J.
Nebesney, Joseph P.	Spencer, Henry N.
Neil, Raymond W.	Spinelli, Dominic V.
Ngor, Lew N.	Stephens, Marvin L.
Nicholson, Byron H.	Stephenson, David R.
Nielson, Karl	Stock, Steve E.
Oliver, Clyde M.	Streiff, Thomas R., Jr.
Palmer, William A.	Sutch, Ralph E.
Piper, William H.	Swanson, Clayton O.
Plagge, Leland H.	Taber, Albadis
Poor, Clarence R.	Tarter, Edwin F.
Purdy, Winfield F.	Thompson, Oscar
Reinhard, Clarence C.	Thornton, Herschel
Reinhart, Frank M.	Tinnell, Albert
Reinhart, Frank M.	Tolbert, Garnet D.
Ribinsky, Michael M.	Townsend, Harold E.
Roberts, Jack D.	Treiman, Carl
Roberts, Ralph L.	Turnage, W. H.
Robinson, Edward C.	Tyree, Samuel J.
Romero, Edward V.	Varner, Robert E.
Rosenberg, Samuel L.	Vranisky, Joseph P.

Wachter, Henry N.	Wilkins, Lee B.
Waggoner, Joe A.	Williams, Dexter D.
Walker, Columbus M.	Williams, Walter S., Jr.
Walton, Robert W.	Wing, William J.
Wharton, James A.	Woodring, Harry C., II
Wheeler, Ellsworth M.	Wortman, Lloyd T.
White, Rommie C., Jr.	Wright, Silas M.
Whittman, Clettus V.	Yakimotz, William
Wilkens, George	Zehner, Raymond F.
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Burton, Harold L.	Stilson, Warren E.
Colyer, Robert L.	Stribich, Raul B.
Felix, Noel A.	Strickland, Joseph R., Jr.
Graden, Richard C.	Trutter, Edward H.
Maguire, John O.	Webb, William H.
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