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GENERAL ORDERS)

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL . . . . . I  
AWARD OF PURPLE HEART . . . . . II

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

Technician Fifth Grade Roy C. Lawson, 17169468, Infantry, Service Company, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On the afternoon of 17 November 1944 in the vicinity of \* \* \*, France, an intense enemy mortar barrage forced a convoy to halt, and drove the personnel to cover. Technician Lawson, Chaplain's Assistant, observing a wounded comrade lying helpless, crawled fifty yards over extremely mountainous terrain, and disregarding the mortar bursts around him, administered first aid and then carried the wounded man to safety. Technician Lawson's actions in saving the life of a comrade were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Fort Des Moines, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant Burton A. Mills, 36807964, Infantry, Company "I", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. On 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of \* \* \*, France, heavy enemy pressure forced the Third Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment to withdraw over open terrain. Sergeant Mills, acting platoon sergeant, issued his orders and then remained behind to cover the withdrawal by engaging several enemy machine gun nests. Observing that his men had reached safety, Sergeant Mills withdrew and on his way discovered a wounded comrade lying in an exposed position. Disregarding heavy enemy fire he dressed the man's wounds and moved him to a place of safety. Sergeant Mills' actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Beloit, Wisconsin.

Corporal Charles A. Shields, 18097130, Infantry, Cannon Company, 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action. During the daylight hours of 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of \* \* \*, France, Corporal Shields braved intense enemy fire to lay a vitally needed communication line from a position in Company "G"'s area to a new observation post of his platoon. This task accomplished within 75 yards of the enemy enabled fire missions to be directed on enemy emplacements which had inflicted several casualties upon adjacent infantry elements. When mortar shells severed the line in two places,

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 I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Cont'd)

Corporal Shields went forward under the intense fire and repaired the breaks. His actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Wagoner, Arizona.

II - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to following named individuals for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

CAPTAIN BEAUREGARD KING, 0412501, Field Artillery, Company "A", 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion, France, 6 February 1945. Residence: Gaffney, South Carolina.

Staff Sergeant L. C. Henley, 34222943, Field Artillery, Company "A", 614th Tank Destroyer Battalion, France, 6 February 1945. Residence: Moultrie, Georgia.

Private First Class Jay E. Wilder, 37445940, Corps of Engineers, Company "B", 328th Engineer Combat Battalion, France, 28 February 1945. Residence: Dubuque, Iowa.

Private First Class Kennen W. Hootman, 16170228, Corps of Engineers, Company "C", 328th Engineer Combat Battalion, France, 11 February 1945. Residence: Manhattan, Illinois.

Private Grady L. Baker, 34581007, Infantry, Company "K", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 28 February 1945. Residence: East Tallapoosa, Alabama.

Private First Class John L. Fadgett, 34670136, Infantry, Company "K", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 28 February 1945. Residence: Smithfield, North Carolina.

CAPTAIN EDWARD P. DENTZER, 01293217, Infantry, Headquarters 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 3 March 1945. Residence: Kirkwood, Missouri.

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AWARD OF PURPLE HEART . . . . . I  
AWARD OF GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL . . . . . II

I -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to following named individuals for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

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Private First Class Roy Z. Hill, 38564975 (then Private), Infantry, Cannon Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 13 December 1944. Residence: Enid, Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant Francis L. Miller, 20446360, Infantry, Company "L", 411th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 December 1944. Residence: Minden, Louisiana.

Private Benjamin Rothenberg, 32517549, Infantry, Cannon Company, 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 23 February 1945. Residence: New York, New York.

Technician Fourth Grade Roby A. Devore, 37402354, Infantry, Company "A", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 February 1945. Residence: St. Louis, Missouri.

Private Francis J. Bobel, 33940735, Infantry, Company "B", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 December 1944. Residence: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Robert A. Shepherd, Jr., 18202189, Infantry, Company "C", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 13 February 1945. Residence: Houston, Texas.

Private Monroe P. Maass, 38677669, Infantry, Company "L", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 20 December 1944. Residence: Giddings, Texas.

Technician Fifth Grade William F. Shotton, 36038478, Infantry, Cannon Company, 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 21 January 1945. Residence: Kincaid, Illinois.

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II -- AWARD OF GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-68, 4 May 1943, as amended, and with the concurrence of the Headquarters Commandant, the Good Conduct Medal is awarded to following named enlisted men, 103d Military Police Platoon, for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity:

Private First Class	Alterizio, Philip	20221854
Private First Class	Cily, John F	12133471
Private First Class	Dascomb, Myron C	42025021
Private	Davis, Melvin S	42049016
Private	DePerri, John J	32947379
Private First Class	Delaney, William E	31340877
Private	Dill, Harry A	33541714
Private First Class	Ditzel, Chester W	42018769
Private First Class	Dolan, Patrick J	36889234
Private	Dutzel, Harvey	36884164
Private	Eggers, Joseph V	35776376
Private First Class	Eller, Raymond	33657764
Private	Emerick, Lester S	33706162
Private First Class	Engel, Clarence D, Jr	32027078
Private	Fink, Matthew T	33706312
Private First Class	Gerity, George A	42018503
Private	Godhardt, William A	36836301
Private First Class	Gorman, Frank W	35871528
Private First Class	Jackson, Lloyd	34793047
Private	Janelle, Raymond L	31275894
Private	Jones, James M	38412442
Private First Class	Palcowski, Frank W	36643010
Private	Shipley, Otis L	39694727
Private	Stuart, James W	37744641
Private	Thomas, Chester R	39211335
Private First Class	Triplet, Charles M	37521319
Sergeant	Weddum, Earl W	37436485
Private	Skaggs, Russell R	6985150
Private First Class	Reedy, Henry G, Jr	35896034
Private	Pomeroy, Hubert H	37671789

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL . . . . . I  
AWARD OF PURPLE HEART . . . . . II

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

Technician Fifth Grade Berger L. Johnson, 31193559, Infantry, Company "A", 781st Tank Battalion. For heroism in action. During a dawn attack in the vicinity of \* \* \*, France, on 19 January 1945, the tank, of which Technician Johnson was the driver, received a direct turret hit from an enemy self-propelled gun, wounding the tank commander who fell to the ground. Technician Johnson, disregarding the heavy enemy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire, dismounted and assisted in placing the wounded man on the front slope plate of the tank. He then reentered the tank, turned it around and drove to friendly territory, where the tank commander received immediate medical attention. Technician Johnson's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Norwich, Connecticut.

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Corporal John J. Black, 13125875, Infantry, Company "A", 781st Tank Battalion. For heroism in action. During a dawn attack in the vicinity of \* \* \*, France, on 19 January 1945, the tank, of which Corporal Black was a gunner, received a direct turret hit from an enemy self-propelled gun, wounding the tank commander who fell to the ground. Corporal Black, disregarding heavy enemy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire, dismounted and assisted in placing the wounded man on the front slope plate of the tank. He then aided in holding the injured man in place while the tank was turned around and driven to friendly territory, where the tank commander received immediate medical attention. Corporal Black's actions reflected the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

II -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to following named individuals for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

Sergeant Chester N. Stelick, 36547265, Infantry, Company "B", 411th Infantry Regiment, France, 3 February 1945. Residence: Columbiaville, Michigan.

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 II - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART (Cont'd)

Staff Sergeant James W. Slogumb, 36713349 (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company "C", 41th Infantry Regiment, France, 3 February 1945. Residence: Carmi, Illinois.

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GENERAL ORDERS)  
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- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL . . . . . I
- AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL . . . . . II
- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART . . . . . III
- AWARD OF GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL . . . . . IV

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

CARLETON L. REED, Field Director, American Red Cross. For heroic achievement in action. On the night of 3 February 1945, MR. REED voluntarily accompanied elements of the First Battalion, 411th Infantry Regiment in a raid on \* \* \*, France, to assist in directing a litter-bearer squad and to provide an added morale factor. When a heavy enemy mortar and artillery barrage inflicted numerous casualties upon our troops, MR. REED, disregarding the continuous enemy fire, crawled from one wounded man to another administering first aid and directing their evacuation. On one occasion he carried an injured man 800 yards to an aid station. MR. REED, twice carried wounded men to covered positions from which they were later evacuated. His heroic and unselfish actions under fire aided in saving the lives of several men. Residence: Colchester, Connecticut.

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Private Carl R. Patton, 33756924, Infantry, Company "G", 411th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action. During an attack by Company "G" in the vicinity of \* \* \*, France, on 10 January 1945, Private Patton, scout, and his platoon were engaged in a flanking maneuver against an entrenched enemy when automatic weapon fire from a hostile concrete pillbox pinned the men to the ground. Without hesitation, Private Patton crawled over the fire-swept terrain to a better firing position and, although exposed to the enemy, directed accurate fire into the embrasure, materially reducing the hostile fire, and permitting the platoon to resume the attack. Private Patton's actions were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence: Mount Union, Pennsylvania.

II -- AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster to Air Medal is awarded to following named individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

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 II - AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL (Cont'd)

AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

FIRST LIEUTENANT EUGENE S. HUFF, O1184525, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 384th Field Artillery Battalion, from 2 February to 21 February 1945, in Eastern France. Residence: Seminole, Oklahoma.

FIRST LIEUTENANT F. EDWARD SMITH, O1185199, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 103d Division Artillery, from 5 January to 16 February 1945, in Eastern France. Residence: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

FIRST LIEUTENANT LARRY G. GENEBAUGH, O541227, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 383d Field Artillery Battalion, from 14 January to 20 February 1945, in Eastern France. Residence: Battle Creek, Michigan.

SECOND LIEUTENANT JOSEPH C. BOYER, O2000758, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 928th Field Artillery Battalion, from 2 February to 21 February 1945, in Eastern France. Residence: Fort Worth, Texas.

III -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to following named individuals for wounds or injuries received in action against the enemy:

Private First Class David A. Vraspir, 17109915, Infantry, Company "A", 409th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 23 December 1944. Residence: Hopkins, Minnesota.

Private Maurice A. Reback, 32994478, Infantry, Company "E", 409th Infantry Regiment, France, 27 December 1944. Residence: Brooklyn, New York.

IV -- AWARD OF GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-68, 4 May 1943, as amended, and with the concurrence of the Headquarters Commandant, the Good Conduct Medal is awarded to following named enlisted men, units indicated, for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity:

<u>DIVISION HEADQUARTERS</u>		
Sergeant	Davidson, Howard A	32830091
Technician Fourth Grade	Dalfino, Nicholas P	32964291
Corporal	Kiecker, Herbert A	37542242
Private First Class	DeHerrera, Ramon G	37702659
Private First Class	May, Edward A	32993106
Private First Class	Metzger, GAYL C	35220526
Private First Class	Sander's, Bertram W	32982454
Private First Class	Souder, William D	18127222
Private	Woods, Robert F	33594623

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<u>HQ CO, 103d INF DIV</u>		
Technician Fifth Grade	Wilson, Woodrow	34273193
Private First Class	Bergevin, Gerard O	31375797
Private First Class	Murphy, Michael J	32707419
Private	Dubis, Chester W	36817406
Private	Ingram, Roderick D	34516466
Private	Singleton, Culin R	34971424
Private	Stroman, Lloyd J	36892198
Private	Starr, Frank	6874626
Private	Parker, Paul H	35737326

<u>MED DET SP TRS, 103d INF DIV</u>		
Technician Fifth Grade	Grindstaff, Ray D	34497487
Technician Fifth Grade	Lucas, Corliss M	35600994
Technician Fifth Grade	Tenkhoff, Cornelius J	37400545

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