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I -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 2, First United States Army, 4 January 1945, the Silver Star is awarded to the following enlisted men:

Master Sergeant Clyde F. Foster, 35 386 844, 106th Signal Company, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Ordered to establish communications between the division command post and a company of engineers acting as front line troops, Master Sergeant Foster and the Division Signal Officer proceeded along the road leading to the engineers until warned that there were no friendly troops ahead, that the enemy was within 500 yards, and that they had overrun the position which the engineer company was to have occupied. Realizing that his actions made him a target for enemy fire, Master Sergeant Foster climbed a telephone pole and established contact with the Commanding General. While he was thus occupied, an approaching German armored car forced him to jump from the pole, and withdraw a quarter of a mile where he climbed another telephone pole and reestablished communications. With utter disregard for his own safety, Master Sergeant Foster repeated this procedure several times, and was exposed to the view of the enemy and subjected to small arms fire each time. By his courageous actions, Master Sergeant Foster was instrumental in enabling the Division Commander to rush reinforcements and stop the German advance. The personal bravery and unflinching devotion to duty of Master Sergeant Foster reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 2, First United States Army, 4 January 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officers:

Colonel William C. Baker, Jr., 016 371, General Staff Corps, Division Headquarters, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 23 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in the United Kingdom, France, Belgium, and Germany. Entered United States Military Academy from Tennessee.

Lieutenant Colonel Meyer S. Belzer, 0 285 420, Medical Corps, Division Headquarters, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 December 1944 to 31 December 1944, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

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Lieutenant Colonel Milton S. Glatteer, 018 843, General Staff Corps, Division Headquarters, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 December 1944 to 31 December 1944, in Belgium and Germany. Entered United States Military Academy from New Jersey.

III -- AWARD OF AIR MEDAL -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 2, First United States Army, 4 January 1945, the Air Medal is awarded to the following officer:

First Lieutenant Graham H. Cassibry, 01 176 276, 592d Field Artillery Battalion, (then 589th Field Artillery Battalion), United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight on 18 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Mississippi.

IV -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART (MISSING IN ACTION) -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 2, First United States Army, 4 January 1945, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following enlisted man:

Corporal Wilbert F. Paquette, 36 456 872, (now missing in action), 106th Division Artillery, United States Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 December 1944, in Northwest Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

V -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 2, First United States Army, 4 January 1945, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following enlisted man:

Private Steven J. Siekierka, 36 556 684, 820th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 December 1944, in Northwest Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

VI -- AWARD OF COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE -- Under the provisions of War Department Circular 408, 17 October 1944, the Combat Infantryman Badge is awarded to the following officer:

Colonel Alexander D. Reid, 015 234, 424th Infantry, United States Army, for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy.

By command of Brigadier General PERRIN:

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