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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:

Private First Class Floyd L. Black, 35 466 663, (then Private), Infantry, Division Headquarters Company, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Finding that the position they were sent to defend had been overrun by the enemy, the squad of which Private Black was a member, took an alternate position with two tank destroyer battalions. When these units were forced to withdraw before an extended enemy armored and infantry attack, Private Black, with one other soldier, voluntarily remained at their .50 caliber machine gun where they were joined by an officer and an enlisted man from another organization. Under intense hostile mortar and machine gun fire and continued friendly strafing and artillery fire, because of their proximity to the enemy, this valiant group tenaciously held their position. Armed only with a machine gun, rocket launcher, two M1 rifles and a carbine, they stopped the advance of three infantry supported tiger tanks and prevented the enemy from manning a machine gun by inflicting severe casualties on successive crews that were sent to the position. As a result of this heroic action, terminating only when their machine gun ceased to function, the enemy advance was stopped for two and one-half hours, thus permitting the uninterrupted formation of a strong defense line. The courageous actions of Private Black in the face of great odds reflect credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal Laurence B. Rogers, 19 073 745, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Division Headquarters Company, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Finding that the position they were sent to defend had been overrun by the enemy, the squad of which Private First Class Rogers was a member, took an alternate position with two tank destroyer battalions. When these units were forced to withdraw before an extended enemy armored and infantry attack, Private First Class Rogers, with one other soldier, voluntarily remained at their .50 caliber machine gun where they were joined by an officer and an enlisted man from another organization. Under intense hostile mortar and machine gun fire and continued friendly strafing and artillery fire, because of their proximity to the enemy, this valiant group tenaciously held their position. Armed only with a machine gun, rocket launcher, two M1 rifles and a carbine, they stopped the advance of three infantry supported tiger tanks and prevented the enemy from manning a machine gun by inflicting severe casualties on successive crews that were sent to the position. As a result of this heroic action, terminating only when their machine gun ceased to function, the enemy advance was stopped for two and one-half hours, thus permitting the uninterrupted formation of a strong defense line. The courageous actions of Private First Class Rogers in the face of great odds reflect credit

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on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Utah.

II -- AWARD OF SOLDIER'S 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 Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man:

Corporal Travis L. Hudson, 34 808 919, 424th Infantry, United States Army, for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy on 12 December 1944, in Germany. Corporal Hudson, with complete disregard for his own safety, rushed into a burning building, aroused two sleeping soldiers and guided several others to safety. Displaying great personal bravery Corporal Hudson, though burned and with lacerations of the hands, refused to cease his hazardous activities until all valuable equipment had been removed from the building. By his heroic actions, Corporal Hudson saved two fellow soldiers from possible death or injury, protected others from probable injury, and salvaged valuable government property, thus reflecting credit on himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Alabama.

III -- 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 and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant Lloyd P. Hamlin, 01 823 151, Field Artillery, 820th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Second Lieutenant James W. Washington, 0 548 043, Infantry, Division Headquarters Company, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant Carl L. Miller, 37 553 074, 424th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 December 1944 to 17 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Sergeant Harold M. Moore, 38 233 495, (then Private First Class), 424th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Technician Fifth Grade David S. Emmert, 33 561 986, 424th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 December 1944 to 23 December 1944, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

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Private First Class Emil J. Grass, Jr, 37 605 588, Medical Detachment, 424th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class Reuben E. Lebeaux, 31 459 495, 424th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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