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I -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR -- By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is posthumously awarded to the following enlisted man:

Private First Class William Witten, 423d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 19 December 1944, in Germany. When the patrol with which he was advancing was attacked by an enemy machine gun and 20 mm gun, Private First Class Witten, with utter disregard for his own safety, rushed the machine gun position knocking out its occupants with an accurately thrown grenade. While performing this act of great heroism, Private First Class Witten was killed by a burst from a hidden enemy machine gun. Private First Class Witten's heroic actions at the cost of his own life reflect outstanding credit upon himself and the armed forces.

II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR (MISSING IN ACTION) -- By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following officer who is now missing in action:

Lieutenant Colonel William H Craig, 022 680, 423d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 18 December 1944, in Germany. Directing an attack against an enemy holding force three times the size of his battalion, Lieutenant Colonel Craig picked a position in the front lines, and under concentrated artillery and small arms fire, personally led the assault driving the enemy back 2000 yards and attaining the battalion objective.

III -- WARD OF SILVER STAR -- By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following officer and enlisted men:

Private Charles E Carr, 37 511 897, 423d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 18 December 1944, in Germany. When his platoon was pinned down by severe hostile automatic weapons fire, Private Carr, exhibiting great courage, voluntarily moved forward into the intense fire. Using his rifle and hand grenades, Private Carr advanced upon and destroyed two enemy machine gun positions, killing five Germans and enabling the platoon to continue its advance.

Private First Class John D Hunt, 32 944 920, 423d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 19 December 1944, in Germany. Advancing on an enemy 20 mm gun position with his platoon, Private First Class Hunt was hit by rifle fire. Despite the great pain of the severe head wound, Private First Class Hunt continued his advance, crawling forward throwing two grenades, which effectively aided in destroying the enemy positions.

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IV -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to the following officer:

First Lieutenant Charles L. Weeks, O1 321 455, 423d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944, in Belgium.

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First Lieutenant Russell G. Bailes, O1 308 452, 423d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 December 1944, in Belgium.

First Lieutenant Ernest H. Bishop, O1 316 626, 423d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 December 1944 to 19 December 1944, in Belgium.

Private First Class James L. Buescher, 37 632 129, 423d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 December 1944, in Belgium.

Major Sanda B. Helms, O 238 246, (then Captain and Major), 423d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 17 November 1944 to 19 December 1944, in England, France, Belgium and Germany.

Captain Benjamin Lemer, O1 293 275, 423d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 December 1944 to 19 December 1944, in Belgium.

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Staff Sergeant Harold G. Oakley, 34 607 873, 423d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 December 1944, in Belgium.

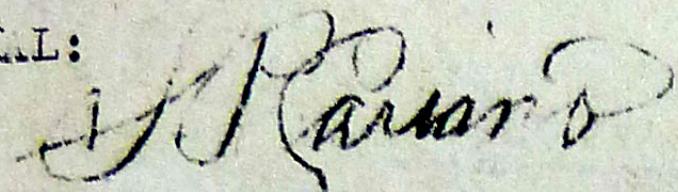
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Private First Class John D. Hunt, 32 944 940, 423d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 19 December 1944, in Germany. Advancing on an enemy 80 mm gun position with his platoon, Private First Class Hunt was hit by enemy rifle fire. Despite the great pain of the severe head wound, Private First Class Hunt continued his advance, crawling forward throwing two grenades, which effectively failed in destroying the enemy positions.

W. Nagle, O20
On from 17 December 1944 to 19 December 1944, during the powerful assault of the German Ardennes offensive, and to yield Biealf, Germany, Lieutenant Colonel Nagle, his forces and personally led an attack which drove the Germans back, and reestablished the line. When, on 17 December 1944, under another attack, his command post was engulfed by enemy infantry, Lieutenant Colonel Nagle, although seriously wounded in this action, fought his way out of the embattled building, directed the formation of a new battle line and heroic ill, continued the unequal struggle against the numerically superior enemy.

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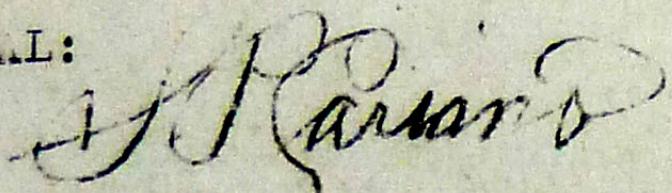
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