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I--AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS -- 1. So much of Section IV, General Order Number 77, this headquarters, dated 12 April 1945, as pertains to Warrant Officer Junior Grade Fred W. Brown, Jr., as reads "W2118305", is amended to read "W2118506."

2. So much of Section VII, General Order Number 99, this headquarters, dated 9 May 1945, as pertains to Technician Grade 5 Frank D. Rinella, 39398372 as reads "230th Field Artillery Battalion", is amended to read "105th Medical Battalion."

3. So much of Section I, General Order Number 137, this headquarters, dated 1 June 1945, as pertains to Captain Charles P. Inman, 0530052, as reads "Captain (then First Lieutenant)", is amended to read "First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant)."

4. So much of Section IV, General Order Number 104, this headquarters, dated 11 May 1945, as pertains to Captain Donato P. Frischetti, 01689312, as reads "is awarded the Bronze Star", is amended to read "is awarded the bronze Oak Leaf Cluster, for wear with the Bronze Star previously awarded."

II--AWARD OF SILVER STAR -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following officers and enlisted men of the 117th Infantry Regiment:

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First Lieutenant Clarence J. Johnson, 01311898, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 16 January 1945, in Belgium. Lieutenant Johnson's company, due to ineffective mortar and artillery fire, was stopped by extreme fire from an enemy roadblock. Realizing that the company could not advance without supporting artillery fire, Lieutenant Johnson made his way through a withering storm of fire to a point where he could observe the roadblock and call for artillery fire. As a result of his gallant action, the company took its objective and inflicted severe casualties on the enemy. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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First Lieutenant Edward E. Mottern, 0419355, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 24 March 1945, in Germany. Finding his men disorganized from enemy fire and darkness after they had crossed the Rhine River, Lieutenant Mottern quickly reorganized them and then charged alone on an enemy machine gun which was holding up the advance. He then manned the machine gun and fired it along the enemy line, neutralizing their fire, thus enabling his platoon to advance and take its objective. Entered military service from Tennessee.

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Second Lieutenant Carl N. Morrow, 02010894, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action from 26 March 1945 to 27 March 1945, in Germany. Assigned the mission of protecting tanks in their advance, Lieutenant Morrow moved forward with his men until he heard noises and, upon investigating them, found six enemy soldiers occupying a halftrack. He approached the vehicle after it had been knocked out to discern whether it was completely disposed of when he was fired on by two of the enemy. Lieutenant Morrow immediately returned their fire and killed them, thereby eliminating a threat to the tanks. Entered military service from Tennessee.

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Technical Sergeant Charlie C. Haymons, 20457345, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Sergeant Haymons voluntarily set out to locate panzerfausts which were slowing the advance of his company. Knocking out a machine gun which had fired on him,

point where he knocked out a bazooka. As a result of Sergeant Hawmons' aggressiveness and courage, his company was able to advance quickly and later capture a large supply train. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant Milton S. Golowski, 32181978, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 26 March 1945, in Germany. Sergeant Golowski was the leader of a patrol which was assigned the mission of entering enemy territory to capture a prisoner and locate enemy positions. As the patrol moved forward, a vehicle was heard approaching. Sergeant Golowski quickly directed his men to take concealed positions and ambush the vehicle. In the brief fight which ensued one enemy soldier was wounded, an enlisted man and officer captured, and a reconnaissance car destroyed. Sergeant Golowski' quick thinking and gallant leadership were responsible for providing his unit with information which permitted the destruction of several enemy positions with artillery fire. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant Joseph S. Strucki, 32204667, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 24 February 1945, in Germany. When his platoon received fire from an enemy machine gun position, Sergeant Strucki, after placing his men in position with definite fire orders for covering support, succeeded in reaching a point about twenty-five yards from the gun position. He then threw two accurately placed hand grenades which killed two of the enemy. Aggressively charging the strongpoint, Sergeant Strucki succeeded in capturing the remaining six enemy soldiers. His heroic actions enabled his platoon to continue toward its objective. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant Russell W. Wike, 33763285, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Sergeant Wike was leading his men in an attack on a group of houses when one man became a casualty from the extremely heavy fire. Although any movement drew a hail of fire, he gallantly went to his comrade and brought him to a place of safety where he could be evacuated. Sergeant Wike then rallied his men and took the objective, killing three and wounding one of the enemy and forcing the remainder to flee. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Johnnie N. Bullock, 34678243, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Private Bullock and several other members of his squad were riding the lead tank of an advancing task force when it was suddenly hit by fire from an enemy anti-tank gun emplaced in a town ahead. Although shaken by the impact of the shells, Private Bullock and his companions formed an assault force, advanced across a mined bridge to locate the anti-tank gun, and silenced the gun by killing its crew. Private Bullock and his companions then moved through the town and cleared it of the enemy, thus enabling the task force to resume its advance. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class Andrew E. Casimiro, 42023245, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. The lead tank of an advancing task force upon which Private Casimiro and several other members of his squad were riding was suddenly struck by anti-tank fire from a town to the front. Although shaken by the impact of the shells, Private Casimiro and his companions quickly organized and advanced across a heavily mined bridge to clear the town. Observing several of the enemy entrenched in positions covering the bridge, Private Casimiro valiantly rushed the position with grenades and forced the enemy to surrender. He and his companions then continued through the town and cleared it of the enemy. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Gilbert S. Castaneda, 39582811, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 6 April 1945, in Germany. Determined to eliminate an enemy sniper who was making his platoon's position nearly untenable, Private Castaneda fearlessly walked out into the open to draw the enemy fire and force the sniper to disclose his position. Locating the enemy in a house, he quietly slipped up and captured him. Private Castaneda's great heroism prevented several casualties being suffered by his platoon. Entered military service from California.

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and succeeded in knocking out two tanks. He directed fire so effectively during this period through his gallant actions in going into hazardous positions which afforded good observation that many enemy strongpoints were reduced. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant George L. McClanahan, Jr., 01322059, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. When Lieutenant McClanahan's task force was met by a hail of machine gun fire, he gallantly moved to an exposed position where he fired his machine gun on the enemy, thereby allowing his men to reconnoiter a bridge which crossed the Elbe River. He then continued to lie in his exposed position covering the withdrawal of the men. Entered military service from Kentucky. 117/F

Staff Sergeant Claude A. Hudson, 38284430, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Sergeant Hudson voluntarily led a detail of men through intense machine gun and small arms fire to the rear of a row of concrete houses which were the center of enemy resistance. He and another man, succeeding in reaching a position behind the enemy, fired for one half hour, killing eight of the enemy and capturing eleven, thereby completely overrunning the enemy and silencing their fire. Entered military service from Texas. 117/E #3

Staff Sergeant Michael G. Sampieri, 31411047, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Sergeant Sampieri and several members of his squad were riding the leading tank of an advancing task force when it was suddenly hit by fire from an enemy anti-tank gun emplaced in a town ahead. Although shaken by the impact of the shells, Sergeant Sampieri quickly organized his men, advanced across a mined bridge to locate the anti-tank gun, and silenced the gun by killing the gunner with his rifle. Sergeant Sampieri and his companions then advanced through the town and cleared it of the enemy, thus enabling the task force to resume its advance. Entered military service from Connecticut. 117/1

Sergeant Vincent J. Aleo, 36709411, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 17 April 1945, in Germany. When Sergeant Aleo's company was pinned down by enemy fire while moving through an enemy town, they immediately called for a tank. As the tank moved forward, Sergeant Aleo and his comrades observed an enemy rocket launcher team preparing to knock it out from a nearby cellar. They quickly moved to the rear of the building in which the enemy was concealed and opened fire. As the enemy rushed from the cellar to escape, Sergeant Aleo and his comrades killed them with grenade. Sergeant Aleo's alertness and unhesitating action enabled the tank to knock out the enemy position. Entered military service from Illinois. 117/G

IV--AWARD OF SILVER STAR (SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER) -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the second bronze Oak Leaf Cluster, for wear with the Silver Star and Oak Leaf Cluster previously awarded, is awarded to the following enlisted man of the 117th Infantry Regiment:

Staff Sergeant Alphonse J. Lewandowski, 37163878, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. When his squad was pinned down in the open and supporting tanks were forced to withdraw, Sergeant Lewandowski, realizing that his men were in grave danger of being killed, gave the order to fix bayonets and gallantly led them in a charge against the enemy positions. The enemy was routed with the capture of eighteen prisoners and an anti-tank gun along with numerous smaller weapons. Entered military service from Minnesota. 117/? #18

V--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to the following officers and enlisted men of the 117th Infantry Regiment:

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First Lieutenant John J. Kelly, Jr., 02047707, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Lieutenant Claude M. Spilman, Jr., 0540496, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 24 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

First Lieutenant Francis J. Walsh, Jr., 01304467, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 26 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Second Lieutenant Mansel J. Davidson, 02001057, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Technical Sergeant William W. Allen, 20455996, Medical Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement and service from 18 June 1944 to 7 May 1945, in France, Belgium, Holland, and Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Technical Sergeant Roger W. McKnight, 20457547, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Technical Sergeant Harold V. Sterling, 35203059, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant Elmer L. Bowman, 35643030, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Joseph P. Cawley, 33174864, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 24 March 1945 to 1 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Eugene P. Dodge, 36030557, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 27 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Roger A. Hedteth, 33353313, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, in Holland. Entered military service from Virginia.

Staff Sergeant Bernard L. D. McBay, 34013469, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant Jess J. Ragucci, 32947558, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant James J. Redmond, 16143057, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Ancil L. Southern, 35585688, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant Lawrence F. Weaver, 35668569, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant Robert W. Cooper, 32234939, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

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Sergeant Harold E. Ehn, 35224245, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant Edward Peier, 39344230, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 27 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oregon.

Sergeant James D. Shull, 34008 01, Infantry, United States Army for heroic achievement in action on 25 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Sergeant Sol G. Standberry, 38234085, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 4 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Sergeant Arthur F. Wheeler, 32746988, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant Lake Wilson, 34013908, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 26 February 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Technician Grade 4 Jacob M. Finkelstein, 35504555, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement and service from 15 June 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France, Belgium, Holland, and Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Corporal John T. McKenna, 20408187, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement and service from 13 June 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France, Belgium, Holland, and Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Corporal Angelo S. Patrino, 32205094, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 17 November 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Corporal Raymond T. Powell, 33554502, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 26 February 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

Corporal Robert C. Schrage, 37114744, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

Technician Grade 5 Harold K. Chamberlin, 37135611, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement and service from 5 August 1944 to 11 May 1945, in France, Belgium, Holland, and Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Technician Grade 5 Neil R. Dawdy, 20456979, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 27 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Technician Grade 5 (then Private First Class and Technician Grade 5) Clyde D. Mulkey, 34013643, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement and service from 14 June 1944 to 9 May 1945, in France, Belgium, Holland, and Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class Henry H. Amparan, 39566918, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class Clifton E. Baker, 35071472, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

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Private First Class James R. Barrett, 33655926, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class Robert B. Bassing, 42056169, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Joseph J. Batesky, 32931231, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 4 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Jack B. Blackett, 39599421, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class Everett W. Boles, 31139249, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class James E. Bradshaw, 35806923, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class Frank M. Buckingham, 37493910, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 11 November 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class James E. Byrne, 34923562, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 28 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class Gilbert S. Castaneda, 39582811, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 26 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class (then Private) Claude W. Chavis, 34031438, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 3 July 1944, in France. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class Hal H. Cherry, Jr., 38681607, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class Robert J. Childers, 36874151, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 26 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class Clarence B. Crymes, 34967968, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class David W. Denny, 34013154, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945, to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class John P. Durkin, 31273252, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Wayne H. Ford, 35908285, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 26 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Emerson L. Garner, 35080324, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class David L. Gaskill, 37246713, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

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Private First Class Roy E. Holain, 36651241, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Talrace F. Wensley, 34222515, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class Earl H. Hite, 34305109, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from South Carolina. 117/Hq.

Private First Class Ralph C. Hobbs, 33924566, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class James C. Hudman, Jr., 312404866, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class Robert A. Johnston, 32999342, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class George Kacyon, 33607658, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Joseph Valinich, 31332131, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 4 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class John R. Kunce, 16149037, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class John C. Lacey, 32306997, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 26 February 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class Melvin E. Litzau, 37163975, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class Jose A. Martinez, 33501432, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Mexico.

Private First Class Donald J. Mcfourty, 31432323, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class Floyd E. Millard, 37692373, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class Leopold Madrau, 31401254, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Maine.

Private First Class Clade N. Nelson, 33580872, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class John A. Nisco, 36340663, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Private First Class Edward J. Northrop, 36195918, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class Cornack J. O'Rourke, 32055450, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Frank J. Patullo, 42016030, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class David E. Prendergast, 39093591, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 26 February 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Washington.

Private First Class John A. Schmidmeister, 42008791, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 5 April 1945 to 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class Harvey H. Schmidt, 37163865, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement and service from 14 June 1944 to 9 May 1945, in France, Belgium, Holland, and Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class Millard J. Shea, 32579293, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 27 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Kenneth B. Shotwell, 37114486, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 26 February 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska. 117/Hq

✓ Private First Class Daniel D. Smith, 36705556, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Joseph H. Smith, 34680052, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class Robert E. Towne, 37246169, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 24 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

Private First Class Philip A. Vigeant, 31018887, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class John S. Volpe, 42115890, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Vermont.

Private First Class Layoy Wilkerson, 34814437, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private Clemens R. Andrzejewicz, 12059319, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 29 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private John Keels, Jr., 6205105, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 24 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Private Calvin J. Webb, 34013951, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 26 February 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

VI--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR (OAK LEAF CLUSTER) -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944; the bronze Oak Leaf Cluster, for wear with the Bronze Star previously awarded, is awarded to the following officers and enlisted men of the 117th Infantry Regiment:

Captain Robert E. Caldwell, 01290895, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 24 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Captain Thomas F. Donlon, 0446430, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 24 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Louisiana.

First Lieutenant Charles B. Foster, 0314899, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 26 February 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

First Lieutenant Francis J. Gavell, 01322392, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 15 July 1944 to 16 July 1944, in France. Entered military service from Connecticut.

First Lieutenant Clarence C. Graeser, 01321769, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant Richard G. Graham, 01058257, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 24 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant Thomas E. Stanley, Jr., 0537457, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 25 February 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from South Carolina.

First Lieutenant James B. Wright, 01996341, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Technical Sergeant Cornelius E. Rockenstyre, 32852098, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant William M. Killingsworth, 34210365, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Sergeant Chester B. Allen, 36610534, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 24 February 1945 to 25 February 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant Joseph E. Brown, 17059381, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 5 April 1945 to 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Sergeant Michael S. Humanik, 35561503, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant Maurice D. Reney, 31374256, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 24 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

Technician Grade 4 Philip M. Schultz, 33039074, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Grade 5 Fred P. Burton, 34013243, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 15 July 1944 to 16 July 1944, in France. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Technician Grade 5 Reuben J. Faden, 32220553, Infantry, United

✓ Technician Grade 5 Aaron K. Waller, 37114737, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class Franklin C. Alloway, 32753544, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 27 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

✓ Private First Class Clifton E. Baker, 35071472, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class John J. Bodnar, 33177360, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Joseph M. Broderick, 31465184, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class Frank M. Buckingham, 37493910, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 5 April 1945 to 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class Peter P. Chackan, 31464562, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class Byrl R. Dougan, 37135698, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 5 April 1945 to 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class Chester C. Finck, 42086817, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

✓ Private First Class Sigmund H. Funk, 37147307, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

✓ Private First Class Talmage F. Hensley, 38222515, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

✓ Private First Class Robert A. Johnston, 3299942, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class Sidney Kamler, 42127138, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 24 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

✓ Private First Class Robert G. Kinsman, 33724120, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class Edward J. Koshak, 13034956, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 5 April 1945 to 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

✓ Private First Class Edward F. Obromski, 31077628, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class Joseph Saratorio, 32240666, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 5 April 1945 to 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

6- Private First Class Harvey D. Snow, 35611939, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

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Private First Class James F. Wisecup, 35613917, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

VII--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR (SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER) -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the second bronze Oak Leaf Cluster, for wear with the Bronze Star and Oak Leaf Cluster previously awarded, is awarded to the following officers and enlisted men of the 117th Infantry Regiment:

Second Lieutenant Wilbert E. Hartmann, 02010991, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Jack Campbell, 34210845, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Staff Sergeant Thomas W. Colasanto, 32240704, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant Benrie E. Garnand, 20457496, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 5 April 1945 to 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Sergeant Floyd Howard, 34475661, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 26 February 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Mississippi.

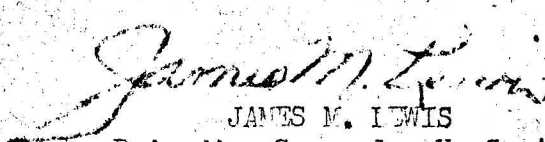
Sergeant James R. Van Winkle, 35808520, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Hubert C. Hart, 34031091, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 5 April 1945 to 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class Dean E. Oetjen, 17040967, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action from 10 April 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

VIII --AWARD OF BRONZE STAR (THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER) -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the third bronze Oak Leaf Cluster, for wear with the Bronze Star and Oak Leaf Clusters previously awarded, is awarded to the following officer of the 117th Infantry Regiment:

First Lieutenant Othoil J. Erlund, 0519374, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 27 February 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.


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