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- I. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS (POSTHUMOUS).
II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR.
III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

I. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS (POSTHUMOUS). By direction of the President, under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and under authority contained in Circular No 32, Headquarters European Theater of Operations, United States Army, 20 March 1944, as amended, the Distinguished-Service Cross is posthumously awarded to:

First Lieutenant Kenneth R. Nelson, 01287392, Infantry, 120th Infantry Regiment, 30th Infantry Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations on 21 December 1944 in Belgium. When a large scale enemy attack forced forward elements of Lieutenant Nelson's company to withdraw to new positions, he determined to hold his position. Although the enemy at times was within twenty-five yards of Lieutenant Nelson's section, they savagely repelled the attacks. In order to better coordinate the work of his depleted force, Lieutenant Nelson daringly exposed himself to the enemy. After being severely wounded, Lieutenant Nelson refused evacuation and continued directing his section until he died of his wounds a short time later. The extraordinary heroism and courageous actions of Lieutenant Nelson reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Clair R. Carr, 31221119, Infantry, 320th Infantry Regiment, 35th Infantry Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations on 2 March 1945 in Germany. While riding the lead tank, spearheading a task force, Sergeant Carr and several of his men were wounded by enemy machine-gun fire. Although in great pain from wounds and weak from the loss of blood, Sergeant Carr elected to remain with the tank continuing to direct his squad and aiding others, less seriously wounded, until the objective was taken two hours later. The extraordinary heroism and courageous actions of Sergeant Carr reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Maine.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and under authority contained in Circular No 32, Headquarters European Theater of Operations, United States Army, 20 March 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Captain John V. Denise, 01106089, Corps of Engineers, 234th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 24 March 1945. The area in which Captain Denise and his men were constructing a bridge across the Rhine River, Germany, was subjected to intermittent shelling by enemy artillery. Observing a seriously wounded soldier lying in an exposed position, Captain Denise, realizing the personal danger involved, braved the enemy fire and rescued him so that he could be evacuated. After each barrage, Captain Denise reorganized his men and continued construction. The gallantry and courage of Captain Denise reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and under authority contained in Circular No 32, Headquarters European Theater of Operations, United

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States Army, 20 March 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

✓ Captain Gerald R. Davitt, 01546945, Medical Administrative Corps, 426th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 8 June 1944 to 22 March 1945. Entered military service from New York.

✓ Captain Philip V. Hall, 0502422, Medical Corps, 108th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 31 July 1944 to 31 March 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ Second Lieutenant Eunice M. Hamrick, N-767583, Army Nurse Corps, 108th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 27 December 1944 to 8 March 1945. Entered military service from North Carolina.

✓ Master Sergeant William H. McHugh, 6722543, Ordnance Department, 3445th Ordnance MAM Company, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 22 July 1944 to 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Maryland.

✓ Master Sergeant William A. Ortiz, 6245032, Ordnance Department, 3525th Ordnance MAM Company, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 29 June 1944 to 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Colorado.

✓ Staff Sergeant Ralph L. Vandorslice, 38189308, Medical Department, 108th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 31 July 1944 to 31 March 1945. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

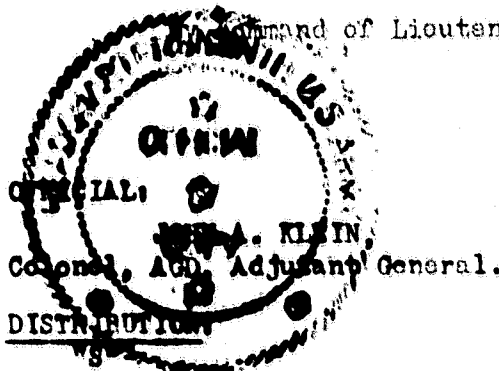
✓ Staff Sergeant James F. Whitlock, 38212674, Medical Department, 108th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 31 July 1944 to 31 March 1945. Entered military service from Arkansas.

✓ Technician Fourth Grade Ellis P. Donovan, 36676195, Medical Department, 108th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 31 July 1944 to 31 March 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ Technician Fifth Grade Leonard H. Eykamp, 36758586, Medical Department, 108th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 31 July 1944 to 31 March 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

Command of Lieutenant General SIMPSON:

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