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- I. AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL.
II. REVOCATION OF GENERAL ORDERS.
III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

I. AWARD OF SOLDIER'S 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 States Army, 20 March 1944, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded to:

First Sergeant Robert A. Totty, 20410202, Field Artillery, 259th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Technician Fifth Grade Spiro Douvris, 33579840, Field Artillery, 259th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Richard W. Hutchinson, 33579723, Field Artillery, 259th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

For distinguishing themselves by acts of heroism involving voluntary risk of life on 29 March 1945. The above named enlisted men succeeded in removing the pilot from a liaison plane that crashed in their unit's area. Before they could remove the passenger, the plane burst into flames. With utter disregard for their own safety, the above named enlisted men rushed into the flames and assisted in removing the passenger from the plane, placing him on a litter and evacuating him to the nearest medical installation. The heroism and courage of these men reflect much credit upon themselves and uphold the highest traditions of the military service.

II. REVOCATION OF GENERAL ORDERS. So much of General Orders No 245, this headquarters, 16 June 1945, pertaining to the award of Bronze Star Medal to Lieutenant Colonel William L. Berry, 025032, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, is revoked.

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

Colonel William L. Berry, 0250332, (then Lieutenant Colonel), Corps of Engineers, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 5 September 1944 to 31 December 1944. Entered military service from California.

Colonel Allan A. Craig, 019621, Medical Corps, 105th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 30 August 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from South Dakota.

Lieutenant Colonel George A. Farquhar, 0242122, Medical Corps, 119th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 5 February 1945 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Lieutenant Colonel George D. Newton, 018286, Medical Corps, 8th Convalescent Hospital, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 26 October 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

Major John A. Day, 01010705, (then Captain), Infantry, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 5 September 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

Major Johnnie C. Brink, 0412375, (then Captain and Major), Infantry, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 5 September 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

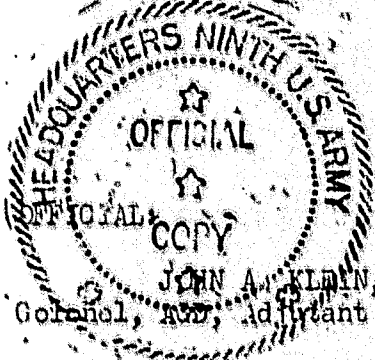
Major Harper L. McGrady, 0450175, (then Captain and Major), Cavalry, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 5 September 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade Harold G. Jessemy, 39215254, Corps of Engineers, 187th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations on 24 March 1945. Entered military service from Washington.

Corporal Harrison C. Chandler, 31209124, Corps of Engineers, 187th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations on 24 March 1945. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private Robert T. Patterson, 20479744, Corps of Engineers, 187th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations on 24 March 1945. Entered military service from Alabama.

By command of Lieutenant General SIMPSON:



J. E. MOORE,
Major General, GSC, Chief of Staff.

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