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AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS.

1. By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir 32, Hq ETO US Army, 20 Mar 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded posthumously to:

First Lieutenant JEROME E SCANLON, 01178619, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 400th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in GERMANY. On 7 March 1945, Lieutenant SCANLON and an observer were on an observation mission, flying low over the point units of the spearhead striking towards REMAGEN, GERMANY. Without thought of their own safety they braved enemy antiaircraft fire to observe and direct fire upon enemy installations as the attacking troops approached and formed for the assault against the bridge across the Rhine River. When enemy fire hit the plane, causing it to crash, they were flying too low to parachute to safety, and Lieutenant SCANLON and his observer were killed. The courage and determination Lieutenant SCANLON displayed and his supreme devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

Second Lieutenant STANLEY S SADAJ, 01175300, Field Artillery, Battery C, 400th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in GERMANY. On 7 March 1945, Lieutenant SADAJ and a pilot were on an observation mission, flying low over the point units of the spearhead striking towards REMAGEN, GERMANY. Without thought of their own safety they braved enemy antiaircraft fire to observe and direct fire upon enemy installations as the attacking troops approached and formed for the assault against the bridge across the Rhine River. When enemy fire hit the plane, causing it to crash, they were flying too low to parachute to safety, and Lieutenant SADAJ and the pilot were killed. The courage and determination Lieutenant SADAJ displayed and his supreme devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

Sergeant ALBERT B TAYLOR, 37005812, Company D, 14th Tank Battalion, 9th Armored Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in GERMANY. On 28 February 1945, during action near FROITZHEIM, GERMANY, the tank commanded by Sergeant TAYLOR was hit and set on fire. Sergeant TAYLOR was severely wounded but managed to pull himself out of the turret and fall in a nearby ditch along the road where he lay, unable to move. During a subsequent withdrawal of his company several tanks passed his position and the crews wanted to stop to give him aid. Knowing that his position was covered by enemy guns, the Sergeant, although mortally wounded, waved the other tanks on so that they would not stop and become vulnerable to enemy fire. Sergeant TAYLOR gave his life in keeping with the highest traditions of the service. His courage and devotion to duty lives on as an inspiration to his comrades.

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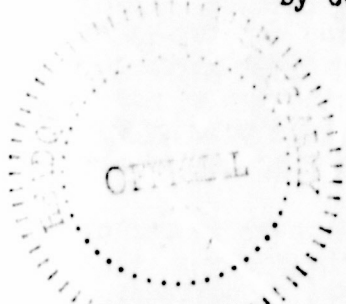
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2. By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir 32, Hq ETO US Army, 20 Mar 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel WALTER M HIGGINS, JR, O21987, Infantry, 2d Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment, 2d Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in GERMANY. During an attack on enemy positions in the Siegfried Line near F. WEHLERSCHIED, GERMANY from 13 - 16 December 1944, Colonel HIGGINS personally led his battalion in a series of daring maneuvers that culminated in the reduction of 24 pill boxes. When artillery support proved valueless because of terrain features, he led a patrol through a narrow gap in barbed wire defenses and personally directed operations to capture a key position in the chain of fortifications. From an exposed position he continued to direct the attack as his battalion poured through the gap and captured the remaining positions in bitter fighting. Colonel HIGGINS' courageous leadership and heroic achievements exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States.

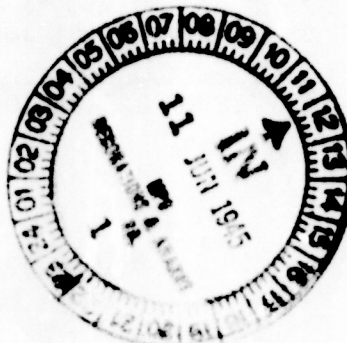
Second Lieutenant GLENN J DOMAN, O1320023, Infantry, Company K, 346th Infantry Regiment, 87th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in BELGIUM. On the night of 7 January 1945, Lieutenant DOMAN three times entered the enemy-held town of TILLET, BELGIUM, to obtain information of enemy dispositions. When his company attacked the following morning he personally led the assault platoon, inspiring his men by his bold, fearless leadership. The enemy counterattacked and isolated the platoon in the town, but although outnumbered he encouraged his men to continue the fight. When orders were received to withdraw he personally covered his men with automatic rifle fire. The fearless determination and courageous devotion to duty Lieutenant DOMAN displayed exemplify the highest traditions of the military service.

By command of General PATTON:



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