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I. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS.

1. By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir No. 32, Hq ETO US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir No. 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded posthumously to:

Captain JOHN B KELLY, O1285599, Infantry, Company "G", 318th Infantry Regiment, 80th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy. On 8 November 1944, Captain KELLY, commanding Company "G", 318th Infantry, was given the mission of leading his men in a crossing of the SELIE RIVER to seize enemy-held high ground northeast of REUVES, FRANCE. Finding the river flooded and the foot bridges that they had intended using, impassable, Captain KELLY quickly improvised a boat crossing and led his men under raking enemy mortar and machine-gun fire to the far shore. There, he reformed his troops and fearlessly led them in the planned assault on the high ground. As the attack stormed up the hill against determined enemy resistance Captain KELLY received severe abdominal wounds but refused to be evacuated. He turned his command over to his executive officer and then, lying in an exposed position, contacted his battalion commander by radio and proceeded to relate a detailed description of the progress of the assault. Although suffering intense pain from his wounds he remained at his chosen post directing effective artillery fire against the enemy until the assault was completed. Captain KELLY died a few days later from his wounds. His intrepid leadership, conspicuous courage, and supreme devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States.

2. By Direction of the President and under the provision of Sec I, Cir No. 32, Hq ETO US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir No. 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to:

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First Lieutenant NEIL C NEILS JR, O358095, Infantry, Company "A", 358th Infantry Regiment, 90th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy. On 11 November 1944, during action to reduce the heavily defended PORT KOENIGSMACHER, FRANCE, the advance of Company "A", 358th Infantry was temporarily halted by intense enemy machine-gun fire coming from a strong concrete-shelter position. In full view of the enemy, Lieutenant NEIL made his way to the top of the shelter, ignoring the heavy fire directed against him, and coolly directed the placing of an explosive charge which demolished the entrance. Then,

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while the enemy increased their fire in an attempt to dislodge him; he poured gasoline into a ventilator of the enemy emplacement and threw in a phosphorus grenade. He was severely burned in the ensuing explosion but clung to his precarious position and threw another grenade which exploded the gasoline and silenced the enemy fire. Lieutenant NEIL's conspicuous heroism, determination to engage the enemy, and his courageous devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States.

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Staff Sergeant CLYDE E WORKMAN, 35206124, Company "A", 10th Armored Infantry Battalion, 4th Armored Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy. Sergeant WORKMAN'S many heroic acts distinguish him as an outstanding, courageous soldier. On 27 September 1944, Sergeant WORKMAN (then Private First Class) was a member of a squad that was holding a defensive position against a determined enemy attack. When his squad leader became a casualty, Sergeant WORKMAN assumed command and volunteered to go forward and silence an enemy position from which a heavy mortar barrage was being directed against his squad. He fearlessly crawled forward three-hundred yards, in full view of the enemy, and knocked out the mortar with hand grenades. When the enemy squad attempted to withdraw, he killed several of them with his rifle and wounded the others. On another occasion, Sergeant WORKMAN advanced alone and personally killed ten of a number of enemy snipers who were harassing his men. Again, when an enemy tank approached his position, Sergeant WORKMAN dashed to a half-track through a heavy enemy barrage and engaged the tank with a fifty caliber machine-gun, setting it on fire. Sergeant WORKMAN'S conspicuous courage, many times displayed, and his inspiring leadership and intense devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States.

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Private First Class WELBUR C FYLE, 18198599, Company "C", 134th Infantry Regiment, 35th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy. On 14 November 1944, Private First Class FYLE was advancing with his company against the enemy near BEVANGE, FRANCE. When a series of defensive enemy foxholes were encountered, Private First Class FYLE unhesitatingly advanced upon them. His helmet was knocked off by an enemy bullet as he started forward but he went on without it, ignoring the heavy frontal and flanking fire laid down by the enemy. He captured three of the enemy in the first foxhole and sent them to the rear. He coolly advanced upon a second and third foxhole, throwing grenades, and captured two more prisoners. Still advancing, he threw grenades into the fourth foxhole, killing one of the entrenched enemy and capturing another. Private First Class FYLE'S courageous determination to engage the enemy, and his conspicuous heroism and inspiring devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER - By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir No. 32, Hq ETO US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir No. 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

Major LOUIS P MARIANO, 01101101, Corps of Engineers, 168th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at ST VITH, BELGIUM from 17 December 1944 to 22 December 1944.

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III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL - 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 Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel WILLIAM R RAINFORD, 0287055, Field Artillery, 754th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 22 August 1944 to 7 January 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel KENNETH DELL GRACE, 0322584, Medical Corps, 107th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 18 July 1944 to 17 November 1944.

Lieutenant Colonel STANLEY G WELTZ, 0286747, Quartermaster Corps, 496th Quartermaster Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 1 September 1944 to 20 December 1944.

Major WALTER H WOOD, 0365766, Signal Corps, 34th Signal Construction Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 30 September 1944 to 1 December 1944.

Major SYDNEY ELLIS, 0465734, Medical Corps, 107th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 18 July 1944 to 17 November 1944.

Major HARRY W BRENNAN JR, 0400793, Corps of Engineers, 168th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at ST VITH, BELGIUM from 17 December 1944 to 22 December 1944.

Major JAMES A REED JR, 0399305, Coast Artillery Corps (AA), 411th Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 24 September 1944 to 10 November 1944.

First Lieutenant JOHN S RAWLINGS, 01576539, Ordnance Department, 3448th Ordnance Medium Automotive Maintenance Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 4 August 1944 to 5 January 1945.

First Lieutenant HOWARD S DOEPKE, 01547589, Medical Administrative Corps, Company "A", 94th Medical Gas Treatment Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 11 August 1944 to 31 December 1944.

Chief Warrant Officer HELO D WARD, W2106338, United States Army, 107th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 18 July 1944 to 17 November 1944.

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Technical Sergeant KENNETH S LUNDINE, 17008017, 107th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 18 July 1944 to 17 November 1944.

Technical Sergeant NORMAN C WAGNER, 20654843, Headquarters Third United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 1 August 1944 to 8 January 1945.

Technical Sergeant ARTHUR P SANDERS, 32860009, Headquarters Detachment 176th Quartermaster Battalion, Mobile, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 1 August 1944 to 31 December 1944.

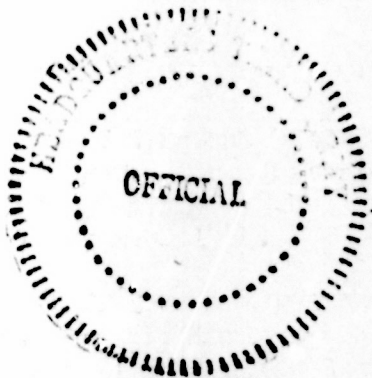
Staff Sergeant DEVERE S REECH, 37176575, 107th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 18 July 1944 to 17 November 1944.

Staff Sergeant POSTON CALLAN, 36039078, Headquarters Third United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 1 August 1944 to 8 January 1945.

Technician Third Grade WILLIAM A WELSH JR, 18120818, Headquarters Third United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 1 August 1944 to 8 January 1945.

IV. AMENDMENT OF GO NO. 12, THIS HQ, 12 JAN 1945 - So much of General Orders No. 12, this Headquarters, 12 January 1945 as awards a Bronze Star Medal to certain named officers and enlisted men as reads: "Captain LEONARD J O'MALLEY, Oh35317, Sanitary Corps," is amended to read: "Captain LEONARD J O'MALLEY, Oh35317, Signal Corps."

By command of Lieutenant General PATTON:



NOBART R. GAY,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Chief of Staff.

R. E. CUSHINGS,
Colonel, Adjutant General's Department,
Adjutant General.

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