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SECTION I - Award of Soldier's Medal.

SECTION II - Award of Bronze Star Medal.

I. AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL - By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir 32, Hq ETO US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to:

First Lieutenant CARL M. WITHAM, 01043538, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, 456th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy. On 29 June 1944, the ship carrying Lieutenant WITHAM'S battery across the English Channel struck an enemy mine, causing a violent explosion in the hold where many of his men were quartered. With utter disregard for his own safety, Lieutenant WITHAM rushed below deck where he helped to bring under control the flames of a raging oil fire which had broken out. Continuing his heroic efforts, he assisted in evacuating many of the wounded to rescue ships and although the hold was fast becoming flooded, voluntarily remained behind and searched the hold until he had determined that no living persons remained. Lieutenant WITHAM'S courageous actions and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL - 1. By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir 32, Hq ETO US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Technician Fifth Grade GURNEY S. ACKLEY 36510281, 995th Engineer Treadway Bridge Company, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in LUXEMBOURG. On 14 February 1945, when disrupted communications threatened delay in the construction of a vitally needed bridge across the Sauer River near ECHTERNACH, LUXEMBOURG, Technician Fifth Grade ACKLEY, fearlessly volunteered to act as liaison between the bridge site and a rear assembly area. With utter disregard for his own safety, he reportedly exposed himself to heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire to regulate the movement of equipment along the most advantageous route, continuing his heroic efforts until wire communications were re-established. Technician Fifth Grade ACKLEY'S courageous actions and unflinching devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service.

2. By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir 32, Hq ETO US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the respective periods indicated, to:

Major JAMES E. LATTA, 0301747, Chemical Warfare Service, Headquarters Third United States Army. 1 June 1944 to 15 April 1945 in the UNITED KINGDOM, FRANCE, LUXEMBOURG and GERMANY.

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Captain FRANK R MARCZYNSKI, 01579978, Quartermaster Corps, 3632d Quartermaster Truck Company (Heavy), United States Army. 23 July 1944 to 6 April 1945 in FRANCE and GERMANY.

Captain HOWARD S NELSON, 01580082, Quartermaster Corps, 3628th Quartermaster Truck Company (Heavy), United States Army. 1 August 1944 to 6 April 1945 in FRANCE and GERMANY.

Captain RICHARD S PAYNE, 0363067, Ordnance Department, 177th Ordnance Battalion, United States Army. 11 June 1944 to 1 March 1945 in FRANCE, BELGIUM, LUXEMBOURG and GERMANY.

Captain ROBERT B SAX, 0258349, Ordnance Department, 293d Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company, United States Army. 12 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in BELGIUM and GERMANY.

First Lieutenant RUTH M ARTHUR, N761768, Army Nurse Corps, 109th Evacuation Hospital (Semi-Mobile), United States Army. 6 June 1944 to 7 May 1945 in the UNITED KINGDOM, FRANCE, BELGIUM and GERMANY.

First Lieutenant ALTA M BERGER, N761450, Army Nurse Corps, 107th Evacuation Hospital (Semi-Mobile), United States Army. 18 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in FRANCE, BELGIUM, LUXEMBOURG and GERMANY.

First Lieutenant RALPH J FORSKORG, 01046795, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery C, 456th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. 30 June 1944 to 13 November 1944 in the UNITED KINGDOM and FRANCE.

Technical Sergeant OLLIE J SWAGGIN, 38120880, Headquarters Detachment, 122d Quartermaster Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. 10 November 1944 to 19 April 1945 in FRANCE, BELGIUM, LUXEMBOURG and GERMANY.

By command of General PATTON:



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