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SECTION I - Award of Distinguished Service Cross.
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I. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS - 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 to:

✓ Private JOSEPH F COLLINSON, 39342947, Company "I", 316th Infantry Regiment, 80th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy. On 8 November 1944, during an attack on NOMENY, FRANCE, Private COLLINSON was severely wounded by enemy artillery fire. He courageously continued on, and while approaching the town he was again wounded and his rifle was blown out of his hands. Undeterred, the intrepid soldier seized an automatic rifle lying nearby and went forward into the town. He remained there with his squad, despite his serious wounds, refusing evacuation until it was forced upon him the following day. Private COLLINSON'S conspicuous heroism and courageous devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

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

✓ Technician Fourth Grade GEORGE H NELSON, 36435239, 531st Ordnance Heavy Maintenance Company, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 6 July 1944, while serving as a member of a wrecker crew assigned to remove three disabled tanks from a road near LA HAYE DU PUIITS, FRANCE, Technician Fourth Grade NELSON distinguished himself by the heroic manner in which he performed his duties while under enemy fire. His courage and loyal devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

Captain PHILIP SCHAFER, 0518292, Army of the United States, Headquarters Third 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 30 November 1944. *

Captain ROBERT G REXLEY, 0177879, Corps of Military Police, Company "A", 512th Military Police Battalion, 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 25 October 1944.

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✓ First Lieutenant DAVID B PARKER, O1582032, Quartermaster Corps, 485th Quartermaster Refrigeration Company, Mobile, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 10 August 1944 to 20 December 1944.

✓ Second Lieutenant HENRY N BALCH JR, O1998462, 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 in BELGIUM from 17 December 1944 to 22 December 1944.

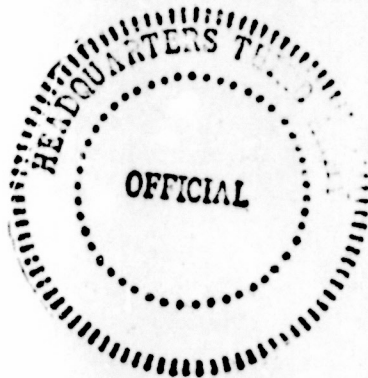
✓ Master Sergeant EVERETT A HIGBY, 37425528, 3463d Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 22 August 1944 to 5 January 1945.

✓ Technical Sergeant WILLIAM A STEVENSON, 36650376, 13th Military Police Criminal Investigation Section, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 18 August 1944 to 1 January 1945.

✓ Technical Sergeant ROY G BAKEL, 36029624, 3463d Ordnance Medium 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 22 August 1944 to 5 January 1945.

III. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART - By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to Captain JAMES C CHAMBERLIN, O1165481, Field Artillery, Headquarters Third United States Army, for wounds received as a direct result of enemy action in LUXEMBOURG on 14 January 1945.

By command of Lieutenant General PATTON:



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

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