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I. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS - 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:

Major JAMES A CRAIG JR, 01285595, Infantry, 1st Battalion, 317th Infantry Regiment, 80th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy. On 11 November 1944, Major CRAIG personally led a small group of the 1st Battalion, 317th Infantry to capture, intact, the one remaining bridge over the NIED RIVER near HAN-SUR-NIEL, FRANCE. His gallant, fearless example inspired his troops to capture the bridge in spite of fierce enemy fire and to press on and establish a bridgehead on the far side of the river. Major CRAIG'S outstanding heroism and supreme devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the service.

Sergeant PAUL PORTER, 36191989, Company "B", 53d Armored Infantry Battalion, 4th Armored Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy. On 4 December 1944 during action to capture the town of DOMESSEL, FRANCE, Sergeant PORTER distinguished himself by his repeated acts of heroism. Completely disregarding his own safety he fought his way boldly through the town, fearlessly engaging the enemy in hand to hand combat wherever he encountered them. Sergeant PORTER was severely wounded while bravely attempting to rescue a wounded medical aid man. His unselfish courage, exemplary heroism and supreme devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

Private First Class ELMER A EGGERT, 36357319, Company "L", 379th Infantry Regiment, 95th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy. On 16 November 1944, during an attack by the 379th Infantry upon heavily fortified positions near GRAVELOTTE, FRANCE, Private EGGERT boldly assaulted a machine gun nest from which intense fire was being directed against the 3d Battalion of the 95th Infantry. He emptied his automatic rifle into the nest, withdrew to reload, and fearlessly assaulted the position again. By his heroic determination he destroyed the nest and captured four of the enemy. Private EGGERT'S conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military service.

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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:

Lieutenant Colonel FRANK E SOHLER JR, O315538, Medical Corps, 104th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and BOURG from 8 August 1944 to 16 January 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel JOHN W DOWMAN, O357055, Medical Corps, 427th Medical 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 15 January 1945.

Major GEORGE H WOOD, O24328, Medical Corps, 171st Medical 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 23 December 1944.

Captain MOREY J SPIVAK, O1534156, Medical Administrative Corps, 437th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE, LUXEMBOURG, and BELGIUM from 14 September 1944 to 14 January 1945.

Captain DORIS M DONOVAN, N-721993, Army Nurse Corps, 109th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the UNITED KINGDOM and FRANCE from 1 June 1944 to 31 December 1944.

First Lieutenant THOMAS T WILSON JR, O1545508, Medical Administrative Corps, 588th Ambulance Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 6 June 1944 to 15 January 1945.

First Lieutenant RAYMOND D PERRY, O1549357, Ordnance Department, 3457th Ordnance Medium Automotive Maintenance Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the UNITED KINGDOM, FRANCE, and LUXEMBOURG from 29 June 1944 to 31 December 1944.

First Sergeant CARL A PANFT, 36075911, 3043d Quartermaster Graves Registration Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 12 July 1944 to 30 December 1944.

First Sergeant PAUL S CAPARELL, 33021336, 109th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the UNITED KINGDOM and FRANCE from 1 June 1944 to 31 December 1944.

Technical Sergeant EARL R WICKS, 37413988, Headquarters 171st Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 27 July 1944 to 13 January 1945.

Technical Sergeant ROBERT J PAGE, 36109862, 437th Medical Battalion (Separate), 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 31 December 1944.

Technical Sergeant PAUL W RIEFLER, 38047831, Headquarters and Service Company, 144th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in LUXEMBOURG from 17 December 1944 to 22 December 1944.

Staff Sergeant HENRY S AYER, 35108365, 3043d Quartermaster Graves Registration Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 12 July 1944 to 30 December 1944.

Technician Third Grade FRANK G INGALLS, 37703516, Headquarters Third United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 18 July 1944 to 31 December 1944.

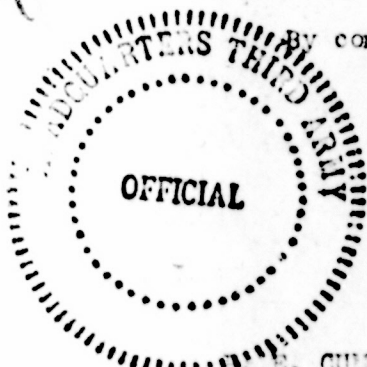
Sergeant ELBERT DONALDSON JR, 34646686, 161st Chemical Smoke Generator Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of WALLERFANGEN, GERMANY from 6 December 1944 to 22 December 1944.

Corporal HARVEY L SMITH, 38299440, 1511th Engineer Water Supply Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 11 December 1944 to 23 December 1944.

Technician Fifth Grade LESLIE S SHARPE, 32513026, Headquarters Detachment, 553d Quartermaster Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 17 October 1944 to 15 January 1945.

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AMENDMENT OF PAR 2, SEC 1, CO NO. 20, THIS HQ, CC - So much of paragraph 1, Section I, General Orders No. 20, this Headquarters, 20 January 1945, as awards a Distinguished Service Cross to First Lieutenant NEIL C HARRIS JR, is amended to read: "First Lieutenant HARRIS C NEIL JR, C358095, Infantry."

By command of Lieutenant General PATTON:



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

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

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