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W. COLDER Announcement of Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2. SECTION II - Award of Distinguished Service Cross.

I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTING ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-2 - Lieutenant Colonel EDWARD J SCHAUCK, 0349795, General Staff Corps, this Headquarters, is announced as Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Headquarters Third United States Army during the temporary absence of Colonel USC in W KOCH.

II. A WARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CHOSS - 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, No MIO US Army, 27 May 1944, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to:

First Lieutenant GALES C HUGHETT, Ol285057, Infantry, Company G, 9th Armored Infantry Battalion, 6th Armored Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in GERMANY. On 26 March 1945, during an attack on FMJKFURT-IM-AAIN, GMLAINY, Lieutenant HUGHETT couragously led his platon across a 100 yard, partially demolished bridge. With utter disregard for withering hostile shall arms and machine gun fire he fearlossly charged a rock barricade on the apposite side of the fireswept bridge, killing two enemy soldiers defending the position and wounding the third. Although he was wounded in this rotion he gallantly continued to shout directions and encouragement to his men as they fought on the successfully ostablish a bridge ead. Licutement HUGHETT'S hereic leadership and dauntless fighting spirat are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service.

First Liceterant JULIAN A SHEEHY, C1996412, Field artillery, Battery B, 7th Field Artillery Battalion. United States Army. For extraordinary hereism in connection with military of rations against an armed energy in GENERALY. On 24 Merch 1945, in GIESBACH, GARMANY, Lieutenant SHEERY courageously directed friendly artillery fire on his own positions in order to repol a series of fierce counterattacks by enemy forces. Although the house from which he was adjusting the fire was hit on numerous occasions by the devastating concentration of the twolve artillery battalions he was adjusting on the area, he gallantly remained at his post and continued to adjust fire until the energy was finally driven from the town. Lieutenant ShiEHY'S heroic, unselfish actic and unflinching devotion the military service. to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions

Second Ligutement EMETTE F G. THRIGHT, 01328808, Infantry, Company C, 26th Infantry Regiment, 1st Infantry Division, United States Amy. For extraordinary heroism in connection with rilitary open tions against an arred energ in GENEWY. On 17 March 1945, during fierce action near MOTTBITE, GERELRY, Lieutenant G.THATGHT fearlossly braved intense hostile merter, rocket and artillery fire, orrwled forward and killed four enemy snipers who were impeding the advence of his plateon. He then continued its aggressive ations by knocking out an enemy half-track with anti-tank around s and killing twenty-eight of the occupants with grounde and rifle fire. Then a hostile tank concentrated its fire on this intropid

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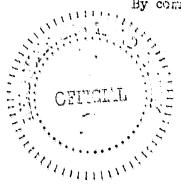
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officer he coolly engaged the tank with carbine and rifle-grenade fire and forced it to withdraw. Lieutenant GATHMIGHT'S hereic leadership and dauntless courage are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

Staff Sergeant HENNY C BNOWN, 36887459, Company C, 9th Armored Infantry Battalion, 6th Armored Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in GERMANY. On 26 Narch 1945, Sergeant BROWN fearlessly led his squad in a charge across a bitterly defended bridge at FRANKFURT-AM-MAIN, GERMANY. With utter disregard for the hostile small arms and machine gun fire, he led his men over the 100 yard, fire-swept bridge, charged a rock barricade on the far shore and killed two and wounded a third enemy soldier defending this barricade. When his platoon leader became a casualty this intrepid soldier directed his squad in the attack of the first building at the edge of the town and although wounded, continued to cover the advance of the platoon by maintaining fire against enemy snipers. Sergeant BROWN'S gallant actions and heroic leadership are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

Staff Sergeant TRAVIS P COLLINS, 18214507, Company I, 395th Infantry Regiment, 99th Infantry Division, United States Arry. For extraordinary hereism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in GERRANY. On 22 March 1945, near RACHSCHEID, allowards dug-in enemy positions commanding the crest of a ridge. When his men were pinned down by direct, intense machine gun fire, this intropid soldier advancing alone, eliminated a position to his left from which he was being subjected to small arms fire, and pulling the pin from a grenade, charged the machine gune directly to the front. With audacious courage, he dropped the grenade in the position, grabbed the weapon by the barrel and dragged it away just as the grenade exploded, killing the enemy gunner. Sergeant COLLINS' heroic actions enabled his platoon to effect an orderly withdrawal from an untenable position. His gallantry and unflinching devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

By command of Goneral PATTON:



PAUL D. HARKINS, Colonel, General Staff Corps, Acting Chief of Staff.

L. L. MANLY, Colonel, Adjutant General's Department, Acting Adjutant General.

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