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- SECTION I - Award of Bronze Star Medal.
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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR 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 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 MAX C IGLOE, 0274490, Medical Corps, Headquarters Third United States Army. 1 August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in FRANCE, LUXEMBOURG and GERMANY.

Captain OLIVER P TJOSEN, 01163151, Field Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 687th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. 26 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in FRANCE, BELGIUM and GERMANY.

First Sergeant HARRY J DUSEMBERRY, 37425640, Headquarters Battery, 602d Field Artillery Battalion (Pack), United States Army. 1 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in FRANCE and GERMANY.

Private First Class EDWARD V OLIVIER, 19119404, Headquarters and Service Battery, 602d Field Artillery Battalion (Pack), United States Army. 11 May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in ITALY, FRANCE and GERMANY.

II. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER) - 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, in addition to the Air Medal and one Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster previously awarded, a second Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

First Lieutenant JOHN J FLOURNOY, 0531537, Field Artillery, 995th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in GERMANY from 18 April 1945 to 8 May 1945.

First Lieutenant DONALD J MITSCH, 0527295, Field Artillery, 995th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in GERMANY from 18 April 1945 to 29 April 1945.

III. AWARD OF AIR 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, an Air Medal is awarded to:

Captain WILLIAM J FUKE, 01172015, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 33d Field Artillery Brigade, United States Army. For meritorious achievement

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while participating in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in GERMANY from 11 March 1945 to 6 May 1945.

IV. AWARD OF UNIT CITATION - Under the provisions of Sec IV, Cir No. 333, War Department, 22 December 1943, the following unit is cited:

The 166th Engineer Combat Battalion is cited for outstanding performance of duty against the enemy from 7 to 10 February 1945. For seventy-two hours the gallant men of this battalion battled the overwhelming difficulty of concentrated enemy artillery fire and the raging, flood-swollen current of the Saar River, near DILLWENDE, LUDWIGSHAFEN, to maintain a constant flow of infantry-men and supplies to the hostile shore. Limited to night reconnaissance by constant surveillance from the Siegfried Line, they employed assault boats to transport the first company across. With daylight and the attack developing, the battalion attempted to construct foot-bridges; only to have them either destroyed by direct hostile artillery fire or swept away by the torrential current. All else failing, the engineers brought up 450 assault craft and despite heavy losses suffered in men and materiel, continued to ferry men, food and ammunition across the river until the entire regiment and their equipage had been unloaded onto the newly-established bridgehead had been sufficiently secured against all enemy attack except by artillery, these intrepid soldiers constructed a Class 10 ponton bridge downstream for the movement of reinforcements and supplies to the infantrymen assaulting the Siegfried Line. Their indomitable fighting spirit, indefatigable efforts in the face of almost insurmountable odds and their unflinching devotion to duty are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service.

By command of Lieutenant General TRUSCOTT:

DON E CARLETON,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Chief of Staff.

L. E. LINKE,
Colonel, Adjutant General's Department,
Adjutant General.

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