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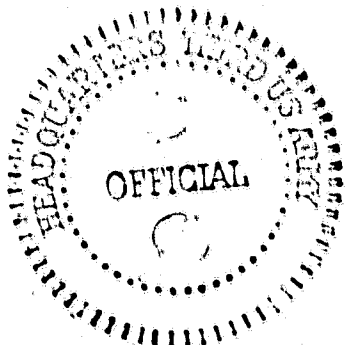
GENERAL ORDER

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By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Section I, Circular 52, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations; United States Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular 56, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, United States Army, 27 May 1944, a Silver Star is awarded to:

Colonel EDWARD M FICKETT, 0716, General Staff Corps, Headquarters, Third United States Army. For gallantry in action. On 14 April 1945, while serving as Commanding Officer, 6th Cavalry Group (Mechanized), Colonel FICKETT, accompanied by three staff officers, set out by vehicle to reach a sector in which his forces had met stiff resistance. While traveling along an exposed route, the group came under fire from enemy forces concealed in a wooded area. After halting and dispersing the vehicles, Colonel FICKETT took up a position completely exposed to enemy fire on top of a knoll where he could observe in all directions. Disregarding his own personal danger, he directed deployment of the vehicles with mounted machine guns in such a manner as to place very effective fire on the enemy positions. Colonel FICKETT remained at his position until the enemy was overcome. In this action, seven enemy soldiers were killed, eleven wounded and twenty-three additional soldiers and Hitler Jugend captured. Colonel FICKETT'S fearless and inspiring leadership, quick-thinking, and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL TRUSCOTT:



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