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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR - By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir No. 52, Hq ET US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir No. 56, Hq ETC US Army, 27 May 1944, a Silver Star is awarded to:

Staff Sergeant HERBERT A. SPANUSE, 33627531, Company "D", 104th Infantry Regiment, 26th Infantry Division, United States Army. For gallantry in action. On 30 December 1944, during action near ELNEDRAF, LUXEMBOURG, Sergeant SPANUSE served as a machine-gun section leader with Company "D", 104th Infantry. When this soldier observed three enemy horse-drawn vehicles emerging from the woods he seized a machine-gun and carried it seventy-five yards to a position from which he opened fire, completely destroying the vehicles. Then, when an enemy patrol threatened his exposed position, Sergeant SPANUSE turned his gun on them, killing and wounding several and forcing the others to retreat. His conspicuous heroism, fearlessness, and courageous devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL - 1. By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir No. 52, Hq ET US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir No. 56, Hq ETC US Army, 27 May 1944, the award of a Bronze Star Medal to the following named enlisted man on 20 February 1945 is announced:

First Sergeant ROBERT A. C. CHAMPE, 32601286, Company "F", 1303d Engineer General Service Regiment, 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 20 February 1945.

2. By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir No. 32, Hq ET US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir No. 56, Hq ETC US Army, 27 May 1944, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Captain SIDNEY I. ETKIN 01689119, Medical Corps, 432d Medical Collecting Company, Separate, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 15 July 1944 to 12 February 1945.

Captain GILBERT G. GAULT 0412623, Infantry, Headquarters 748th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 24 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

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Captain FREDERICK F GLIKE, 0466635, Medical Corps, 43rd Medical Collecting Company, Separate, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 25 July 1944 to 12 February 1945.

Captain GERRIE F HIGGS, 0501665, Medical Corps, 38th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 19 July 1944 to 1 February 1945.

Captain GEORGE F HART JR, 041867, Medical Corps, 434th Medical Collecting Company, Separate, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE, LUXEMBURG, and BELGIUM from 1 August 1944 to 1 February 1945.

Staff Sergeant WHERT H JONES, 32055256, 39th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 17 July 1944 to 31 December 1944.

Staff Sergeant RUFUS C MITCHELL, 6290431, 581st Ambulance Company, Motor, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and BELGIUM from 26 June 1944 to 25 December 1944.

Technician Fourth Grade SAMUEL W REHNS N, 32311808, 12th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the UNITED KINGDOM, FRANCE and LUXEMBURG from 6 June 1944 to 12 February 1945.

Technician Fifth Grade CARL E RAGHER, 35891202, Headquarters Detachment, 436th Medical Battalion, Separate, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBURG from 1 August 1944 to 4 February 1945.

Technician Fifth Grade GARNEE BLANK, 1200356, 3908th Quartermaster Truck Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 16 July 1944 to 25 January 1945.

Private First Class LEWIS HEWES, 37600352, 588th Ambulance Company, Motor, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the UNITED KINGDOM, FRANCE, LUXEMBURG and BELGIUM from 6 June 1944 to 30 January 1945.

III. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT FLAG - By direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec 1, C.R. No. 32, Hq ETO US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec 1, C.R. No. 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Flag is awarded to the following units for service between the dates indicated:

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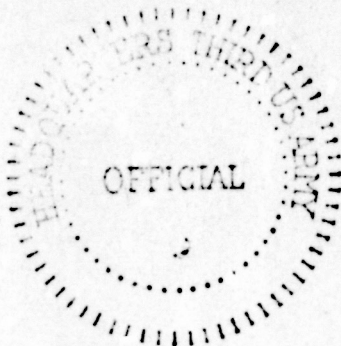
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550th Ordnance Heavy Maintenance Company 2 August 1944 to 6 September 1944
(Field Artillery)

129th Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company 27 August 1944 to 5 January 1945

OK. ~~IV. REVOCATION IN GO NO. 89, THIS HEADQUARTERS, 12 NOV 44 - So much of Paragraph 2, General Orders Number 89, this HQ, 12 November 1944, as awards a Distinguished Service Cross to Private HAROLD A. GARBER, 36076626, is revoked.~~

By command of Lieutenant General PATTON:



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

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

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