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I. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS - By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir No. 32, HQ ETC US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir No. 56, HQ ETC US Army, 27 May 1944, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to:

✓ First Sergeant GEORGE F. RINGER, 35123520, Company "A", 50th Armored Infantry Battalion, 6th Armored Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy. During the period 1 to 6 January 1945, Sergeant RINGER commanded Company "A" of the 50th Armored Infantry Battalion in action against the enemy near BASTOGNE, BELGIUM. He repeatedly exposed himself to enemy fire, inspiring and encouraging his men by his fearless, courageous leadership. During the action he skillfully organized and led combat patrols and searching parties into enemy territory, and on one occasion single-handedly captured ten enemy soldiers who had infiltrated into a wooded area on the flank of the defensive line he had established. Sergeant RINGER'S conspicuous heroism and the determination and supreme devotion he consistently displayed exemplify the highest traditions of the military service.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR - By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir No. 32, HQ ETC 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:

✓ First Lieutenant WAYNE BRADY, 01178078, Field Artillery, 687th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action. During the period 16-17 December 1944, Lieutenant BRADY, serving as a liaison pilot with the 687th Field Artillery Battalion, distinguished himself by his outstanding performance of duty. He displayed exceptional skill and courage in keeping his airplane in operation, adjusting fire, and observing on enemy troops. At one time, when his airfield was attacked by enemy tanks and infantry, he disabled a tank with rocket fire and personally manned a machine-gun. His conspicuous heroism, many times demonstrated, and his fearless courage and loyal devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

1. By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir No. 32, HQ ETC 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 officers on 20 February 1945 is announced:

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Captain WILFORD T GRALISON, 0923809, Corps of Engineers, 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.

First Lieutenant PAUL L KLEINTJES, 0116164, Corps of Engineers, 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.

Second Lieutenant JAMES H MURPHY, 01648773, Corps of Engineers, 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 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 VIRGIL M KIMM, 016849, Coast Artillery Corps, 550th Anti-aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 4 August 1944 to 15 August 1944.

Lieutenant Colonel GUY M TATE JR, 0255549, Corps of Engineers, 2d Battalion, 1306th Engineer General Service Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 10 August 1944 to 25 December 1944.

Majer JOHN F MCQUILLIN, 0387831, Ordnance Department, Headquarters 14th Ordnance 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 20 July 1944 to 1 February 1945.

Majer SEYMOUR ZUCKERMAN, 0468576, Medical Corps, 109th Evacuation Hospital, Semi-mobile, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and BELGIUM from 19 September 1944 to 19 February 1945.

Captain NELSON M BITTNER, 01100021, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 553d Engineer Heavy Ponton Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 30 July 1944 to 15 February 1945.

Captain LOUIS MICHAELS, 0497180, Medical Corps, Company "B", 92d Medical Gas Treatment Battalion, 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 8 October 1944.

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✓ Technical Sergeant RALPH M BURKE, 42024068, 90th Ordnance Bomb Disposal Squadron, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 4 September 1944 to 9 December 1944.

✓ Staff Sergeant EDWARD B HOLSEY, 36390580, 581st Medical Ambulance Company, Motor, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in BELGIUM from 17 December 1944 to 22 December 1944.

✓ Staff Sergeant HUGH T LINEBACK, 34114737, 581st Medical 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 22 December 1944.

✓ Staff Sergeant ROBERT G SHALBOW, 34082123, 54824 Ordnance Medium Automotive Maintenance Company, 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 25 January 1945.

✓ Technician Third Grade RAYMOND D SUTHERLAND, 17108604, Company "B", 53d Signal Construction Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 10 August 1944 to 22 September 1944.

By command of Lieutenant General

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

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

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