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SECTION I - Award of Distinguished Service Cross
SECTION II - Award of Bronze Star Medal
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I. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS.

1. By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir 32, Hq ETC US Army, 20 Mar 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq ETC US Army, 27 May 1944, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded posthumously to:

Second Lieutenant DONALD H LANGMAN, 01998424, Infantry, Company "M", 8th Infantry Regiment, 4th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in GERMANY. On 1 December 1944, during an attack against strongly defended enemy positions in the HURTGEN FOREST, GERMANY, advancing units were halted by intense machine-gun fire. Lieutenant LANGMAN, commanding a platoon of Company "M", 8th Infantry, placed his men in position and fearlessly advanced with an assault squad against the enemy gun. When fire from another gun forced the squad to seek cover the Lieutenant continued on alone, firing a sub-machine-gun. With complete disregard for his own safety he ran fifty yards through a hail of fire and assaulted the gun nest single-handed, killed five of the crew and forced the remaining three to surrender. Lieutenant LANGMAN was wounded but refused evacuation, and as the action continued he suffered another wound from which he died later. This courageous officer's conspicuous heroism and supreme devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and live on as an inspiration to his comrades.

Sergeant DELBERT D LEE, 17040205, Company "A", 610th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in LUXEMBOURG. On 7 January 1945, Sergeant LEE commanded a tank destroyer supporting the defense of DAHL, LUXEMBOURG. He knocked out two enemy tanks with direct fire from his destroyer and was wounded in the action. Refusing to be evacuated, he led his crew into action the following day against a number of enemy tanks, destroying three of them and forcing the remainder to withdraw. When a group of enemy infantrymen attacked his destroyer, this intrepid soldier dismounted and engaged them with an automatic rifle, killing several and routing the others. Then when pinned down by enemy machine-gun fire he fearlessly crawled to within fifteen feet of the position and killed the crew with hand grenades. Sergeant LEE was killed by artillery fire while returning to his vehicle, but his courage and supreme devotion will live on as an inspiration to his comrades.

Private First Class WILLIAM D HAAG, 36892308, 10th Infantry Regiment, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in GERMANY. On 1 December 1944, near

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DIFFENTEN, GERMANY, Private HUGO and a companion were checking for a break in a vital communication line between forward combat elements and their battalion. Returning to the rear they located the break but were challenged by a strong enemy patrol. Realizing the danger, Private HUGO, with complete disregard for his own safety, grappled with the enemy and gave the alarm. The patrol was dispersed and six of the enemy were killed, but this courageous soldier gave his life. His heroic, unselfish devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and remains as a constant inspiration to his comrades.

2. By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir 32, Hq ETO US Army, 20 Mar 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to:

Major General ROBERT W GROW, O4621, United States Army, 6th Armored Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in FRANCE during the period 10 November 1944 to 22 November 1944. General GROW, while commanding the 6th Armored Division in the Moselle and Saar River operations, repeatedly demonstrated a superior degree of personal courage and leadership which inspired his troops to press successfully and relentlessly against the enemy. In the vicinity of HAN-SUR-WIED, GROS-TENQUIN and ST JEAN-ROCHDACHE, with utter disregard for his own safety, he personally directed difficult operations which resulted in the reduction of those strong points. Many times when his troops encountered exceptionally strong enemy resistance, General GROW personally led forward elements under heavy fire to the successful completion of their missions. His conspicuous heroism, fearless leadership and loyal, courageous devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military service.

Captain CHARLES E RYAN, O990490, Infantry, Company "L", 358th Infantry Regiment, 90th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in FRANCE. On 10 November 1944, Captain RYAN fearlessly led his company in a bold assault on a strong enemy position near INGLANGE, FRANCE, inspiring his men by his conspicuous, heroic leadership. Following his example, the company assaulted with bayonets and grenades and killed and captured nearly a hundred of the enemy. On 11 November, Captain RYAN again distinguished himself by personally leading his company against another strong enemy position, again inspiring his men to take the objective and inflict tremendous losses of men and material upon the enemy. His heroic determination and courageous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

Technical Sergeant HERBERT S LATIMER, 6327207, Company "B", 44th Armored Infantry Battalion, 6th Armored Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in FRANCE. On 14 November 1944, during an assault against the enemy-held town of LANDRUFF, FRANCE, Sergeant LATIMER, on his own initiative, assumed command of a leaderless infantry platoon and led it forward in the attack. As he boldly advanced he killed a German sniper and the driver and assistant driver of an enemy ammunition truck. He continued to lead his platoon in the fierce action until the town was secured, and during a counter-attack that evening he personally killed two of the enemy and captured five others. During hand-to-hand fighting on the morning of 15 November he killed another of the enemy with his bayonet. Throughout the action the Sergeant was a constant example to his men, inspiring them by his fearless leadership, repeatedly braving enemy fire to give first aid to his comrades.

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Sergeant LATIMER'S conspicuous heroism and courageous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

Sergeant ALFRED B PADILLA, 38001132, Company "D", 357th Infantry Regiment, 90th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in LUXEMBOURG. On 11 January 1945, Sergeant PADILLA was advancing with his machine-gun platoon, supporting an infantry company in an attack on DONCOLS, LUXEMBOURG. When an enemy machine-gun position held up the advance, this soldier boldly went forward to draw their fire and locate the position. He returned to his squad and then, covered by their fire, advanced alone on the enemy position. He killed one German and wounded another with a hand grenade and took prisoner the remaining two. His bold, fearless action made possible the advance of the company, and his heroic determination and courageous devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military service.

Private First Class HENRY T EBERSOLE, 33654592, Headquarters Company, 50th Armored Infantry Battalion, 6th Armored Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in BELGIUM. During the period 4 to 6 January 1945, Private EBERSOLE manned a machine-gun in action against strong enemy tank and infantry forces near BASTOGNE, BELGIUM. He stayed at his gun in the face of repeated attacks, inspiring his comrades by his fearless contempt for the enemy. On one occasion when it became necessary to obtain supporting fire against an enemy tank force, this soldier ran two hundred yards through a hail of withering fire and led friendly tank destroyers into position. The entire action was fought in deep snow and bitter cold. The conspicuous courage Private EBERSOLE repeatedly displayed and his fearless, determined devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military service.

Private EVERETT M CALLAWAY, 34996752, Company "H", 357th Infantry Regiment, 90th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in LUXEMBOURG. On 11 January 1945, during action near SULLZ, LUXEMBOURG, Private CALLAWAY courageously manned his machine-gun in the face of intense enemy fire, covering two men who attempted to rescue a casualty. During this action he killed six of the enemy and knocked out two machine-guns. He was severely wounded when he went to the aid of the rescuers, but he returned to his gun and by effective fire succeeded in neutralizing much of the enemy resistance before he was forced to obtain treatment for his wound. This soldier's determination and courageous devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

Private PATRICK H MARESCHI, 31309160, Medical Detachment, 318th Infantry Regiment, 6th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in LUXEMBOURG and GERMANY. On 8 February 1945, Private MARESCHI, an aid man, accompanied his rifle company in a hazardous assault across the flooded Suer River. On the far shore, after the boats had been returned, the company was subjected to a heavy enemy mortar concentration which wounded Private MARESCHI and a number of men. This courageous soldier, knowing that the wounded men needed immediate evacuation, boldly plunged into the freezing flood-waters and under a hail of fire battled his way against the swift current to the opposite shore. There, obtaining a boat he made his way back across the river under fire and with the aid of another man suc-

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ceeded in evacuating the wounded soldiers. Only then did he disclose his wound. This soldier's supreme courage and heroic, determined devotion to duty exemplify the finest traditions of the military service.

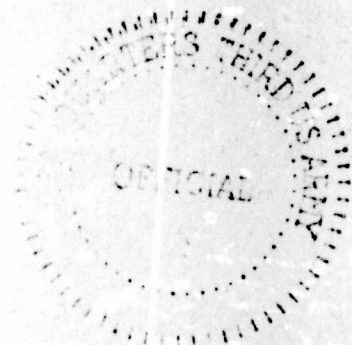
II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir 52, Hq ETO US Army, 20 Mar 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Colonel FRED R KELLEY, O17:046, Infantry, Headquarters Third United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 15 September 1944 to 21 December 1944.

Colonel CHARLES E CHEEVER, O14712, Judge Advocate General's Department, Headquarters Third United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 15 September 1944 to 21 December 1944.

III. AMENDMENT IN SECTION III, GENERAL ORDERS NO. 39, THIS HQ, GS - So much of Section III, General Orders No. 39, this Headquarters, 16 February 1945, as awards the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque to the 6th Convalescent Hospital and the 12th Evacuation Hospital as reads: "31 November 1944" is amended to read: "30 November 1944".

By command of Lieutenant General PATTON.



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

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

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