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I. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS - 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 Distinguished Service Cross is awarded post humously to:

Private First Class ROBERT W HOLMLUND, 37278044, Company "B", 11th Infantry Regiment, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in FRANCE. On 3 October 1944, during an assault by the 11th Infantry against strongly-defended FORT DRIANT FRANCE, Private HOLMLUND advanced with the first wave of assault troops. Fearlessly braving withering fire he rushed to the top of the first emplacement, kicked off the tile topping and while exposed to direct sniper fire coolly dropped explosive charges into the ventilating shaft, forcing the enemy to withdraw with their casualties. Continuing on he silenced an enemy machine-gun and later, when the enemy counter-attacked, he deliberately selected an exposed position and scattered an entire unit with devastating automatic rifle fire. Private HOLMLUND was killed later while personally checking positions of his men during an enemy artillery barrage, but his conspicuous heroism and courageous devotion to duty live on as an inspiration to his comrades.

Private First Class MAX Y PARKER, 37107861, Medical Detachment, 359th Infantry Regiment, 90th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in LUXEMBOURG. On 10 January 1945, Private PARKER was serving as an aid man with Company "D", 359th Infantry, in an attack near TRETELHOF, LUXEMBOURG. As the attack progressed against fierce resistance casualties mounted, and this soldier was the only remaining aid man to serve the entire battalion front. On the fire swept slope where the action centered he courageously tended the wounded lying exposed in the intense cold. He had given aid to more than twenty men and was making his way to another injured soldier when he was killed by enemy artillery fire. Private PARKER'S conspicuous heroism and supreme, unselfish devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military service and live on as a constant inspiration to his comrades.

Private EARL OLIVER, 34985276, Company "H", 359th Infantry Regiment, 90th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in FRANCE. On 12 November 1944, Private OLIVER was serving as a machine-gunner with a platoon near KERLING, FRANCE. Before dawn, a strong force of enemy tanks and infantry attacked his position, and aided by poor visibility and hilly terrain succeeded in knocking out all machine-guns except Private OLIVER'S. Ignoring the intense fire directed against him this

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brave soldier held his position, directing effective fire by the sound of the advance and the light of bursting mortar shells, even when the enemy had approached within grenade-throwing distance. He was killed by a direct mortar hit on his position, and the following morning twenty-two enemy dead were found in front of his gun; some as close as fifteen feet. Private OLIVER'S heroic determination and supreme, courageous devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military service.

II. AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL - 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 Soldier's Medal is awarded to:

Technician Fifth Grade PAUL C ANTHONY, 35867480, Battery "A", 120th Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy in FRANCE. On 1 March 1945, Technician ANTHONY displayed conspicuous heroism in rescuing a drowning soldier from a deep reservoir. Completely disregarding his own safety he fearlessly dove into the water where he knew there was tangled wire beneath the surface and succeeded in saving the soldier's life. His courage and unselfish devotion to duty exemplify the finest traditions of the military service.

Private First Class ROBERT J CAPUTO, 32745146, Medical Detachment, 1301st Engineer General Service Regiment, United States Army. For heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy in FRANCE. Private CAPUTO displayed great courage in attempting to save a drowning soldier at the Uckenge Bridge Site on the Moselle River on 31 January 1945. His heroism and unselfish devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER - 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, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

Brigadier General WALTER J MULLER, 012224, General Staff Corps, 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 ROBERT E CUMMINGS, 07512, Adjutant 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.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL - 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 Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Colonel CHARLES B MILLIKEN, 020340, Finance 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.

Major THOMAS P HAMILTON, 0313286, Medical Corps, 4th Auxiliary Surgical Group, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 6 June 1944 to 28 February 1945.

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Major LOUIS P KASMAN, 0487053, Medical Corps, 4th Auxiliary Surgical Group, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 7 June 1944 to 28 February 1945.

Technical Sergeant ROY L JENKINS, 6320787, 705th Ordnance Light Maintenance Company, 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 5 October 1944.

Staff Sergeant FRANCIS X NAPOITANO, 32784747, Company "A", 301st Signal Operation Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 6 July 1944 to 14 September 1944.

Staff Sergeant ERWIN W VOEDS, 36291051, 3805th Quartermaster Truck Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 1 August 1944 to 21 December 1944.

* Staff Sergeant ~~CHARLES X ARMSTRONG, 11216677~~, Company "A", 301st Signal Operation Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 6 July 1944 to 14 September 1944. *12216651 - Name spelled & amended by G.O. #80-1544-15*

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM J YASKE, 35021509, Company "B", 748th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 8 January 1945 to 22 February 1945.

Technician Fourth Grade VAUGHN W AMOROSO, 12219099, Company "A", 301st Signal Operation Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 6 July 1944 to 14 September 1944.

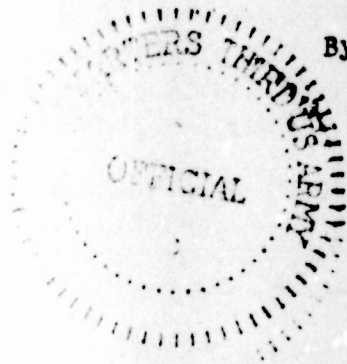
Technician Fourth Grade JOHN D KELLEY, 35585934, 4th Auxiliary Surgical Group, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 8 June 1944 to 28 February 1945.

Technician Fourth Grade EMMETT L ROSS, 15100930, 851st Ordnance Heavy Automotive Maintenance Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE from 1 October 1944 to 4 March 1945.

Technician Fifth Grade MELVIN R GURNEY, 31317079, 4th Auxiliary Surgical Group, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 7 June 1944 to 28 February 1945.

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