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SECTION III - Award of Bronze Star Medal.

I. AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL - By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir 32, Hq ETO US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to:

Private ROY A FENDLETON, 32689568, 238th Quartermaster Salvage Collecting Company, United States Army. For heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy in FRANCE. The unselfish courage, above and beyond the call of duty Private FENDLETON displayed in braving the icy waters of the canal surrounding the ISLE de SAULCY, FRANCE, to rescue from drowning one of his comrades whose boat had capsized, distinguishes him as an outstanding soldier. His heroic action, without thought of his own safety, is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

II. 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 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, the award of a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster to the following named officer on 23 March 1945 is announced:

Major General MANTON S EDDY, 04655, United States Army, Commanding General, XII Corps, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in LUXEMBOURG and GERMANY from 1 March 1945 to 21 March 1945.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

1. By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir 32, Hq ETO US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, the award of the Bronze Star Medal to the following named officer on 6 April 1945 is announced:

First Lieutenant EDMUND C ROBERTS JR, 0405053, Infantry, Company "D", 422d Infantry Regiment, 106th Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Germany. The courage and daring Lieutenant ROBERTS displayed in escaping from an Allied Prisoner of War Camp at HAMMELBURG, GERMANY, on 27 March 1945 after being held prisoner there since 19 December 1944, and his feat of making his way cross-country through enemy territory is worthy of high commendation. His loyal, courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service.

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Second Lieutenant BRUCE M FISHER, 0554647, Infantry, Company "D", 422d Infantry Regiment, 106th Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in GERMANY. The courage and daring Lieutenant FISHER displayed in escaping from an Allied Prisoner of War Camp at HALLBELBURG, GERMANY, on 27 March 1945, after being held prisoner there since 19 December 1944, and his feat of making his way cross-country through enemy territory is worthy of high commendation. His loyal, courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service.

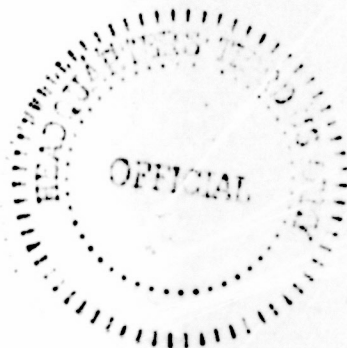
2. By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir 32, Hq ETO US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, the award of the Bronze Star Medal to the following named enlisted man on 7 April 1945 is announced:

Sergeant PHILLIP E STAPLETON, 34440171, Headquarters Company, Third United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in GERMANY from 1 April 1945 to 7 April 1945.

3. By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir 32, Hq ETO US Army, 20 March 1945, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Colonel JOSEPH R COOKE, 0100259, Transportation Corps, 37th Traffic Regulation Group, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG from 19 December 1944 to 23 January 1945.

By command of Lieutenant General FATTON:



HOBART R. GAY,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Chief of Staff.



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

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