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APO 257, U. S. ARMY

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I. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Circular No. 21, Headquarters Seventh United States Army, 17 June 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

MAJOR JOHN SOMA (Army Serial Number 0307817), Field Artillery, 400th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for distinguishing himself by meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany, from 3 August 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered the military service from Illinois.

CAPTAIN PAUL J. BETTOUVILLE, JR., (Army Serial Number 0467909), Medical Corps, 400th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for distinguishing himself by meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany, from 6 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered the military service from Missouri.

First Sergeant Lavern P. Biesterveld (Army Serial Number 35305001), Field Artillery, 400th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for distinguishing himself by meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany, from 3 August 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered the military service from Ohio.

First Sergeant George Heinich (Army Serial Number 32329746), Field Artillery, 400th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for distinguishing himself by meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany, from 3 August 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered the military service from New York.

First Sergeant Charles E. Myers (Army Serial Number 33064542), Field Artillery, 400th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for distinguishing himself by meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany, from 3 August 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered the military service from Maryland.

First Sergeant William S. Ozga (Army Serial Number 32323716), Field Artillery, 400th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for distinguishing himself by meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany, from 3 August 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered the military service from New York.

Technician Fourth Grade Waldo C. Burnett (Army Serial Number 37352779), Field Artillery, 400th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for distinguishing himself by meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany, from 3 August 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered the military service from Colorado.

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II. AWARDS OF PURPLE HEART: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to:

Master Sergeant James F. Duffy (Army Serial Number 33148857), Infantry, 48th Armored Infantry Battalion, United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 August 1944, in the Tremblay Area, France. Entered the military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Walter A. Rowley (Army Serial Number 32249435), Medical Department, 48th Armored Infantry Battalion, United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 October 1944, in the Meijel Area, Holland. Entered the military service from New Jersey.

Technician Third Grade Earl A. Conley (Army Serial Number 12034239), Medical Department, 48th Armored Infantry Battalion, United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 October 1944, in the Meijel Area, Holland. Entered the military service from New Jersey.

Technician Third Grade Ervin B. Flencher (Army Serial Number 38099879), Medical Department, 440th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 8 April 1945, in the Oberkirchen Area, Germany. Entered the military service from Texas.

Sergeant David Hancock (Army Serial Number 33096449), Field Artillery, 440th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 December 1944, in the Puffendorf Area, Germany. Entered the military service from Virginia.

Sergeant Edward F. Herbers (Army Serial Number 36265660), Field Artillery, 440th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 19 September 1944 in the Sillegny Area, France. Entered the military service from Ohio.

Sergeant Raymond M. Merva (Army Serial Number 13056234), Field Artillery, 440th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 August 1944, in the St. Lazare Area, France. Entered the military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade Curtis F. Caldwell (Army Serial Number 34191062), Field Artillery, 440th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 19 September 1944, in the Lorry Area, France. Entered the military service from Tennessee.

Technician Fourth Grade Michael Oehran, Jr., (Army Serial Number 13057543), Medical Department, 440th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 8 April 1945, in the Oberkirchen Area, Germany. Entered the military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal Dallas W. Lowther (Army Serial Number 32257187), Medical Department, 48th Armored Infantry Battalion, United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 September 1944, in the Hagondange Area, France. Entered the military service from New Jersey.

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Corporal Paul Smith (Army Serial Number 31445940), Coast Artillery Corps, 203d Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, (SP), United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 March 1945, in the Sinn Area, Germany. Entered the military service from Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade Clifford E. Doughty (Army Serial Number 32227470), Medical Department, 440th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 September 1944, in the Irvy Area, France. Entered the military service from New York.

Private First Class William J. Hopkins (Army Serial Number 16143214), Medical Department, 48th Armored Infantry Battalion, United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 January 1945, in the St. Vith Area, Belgium. Entered the military service from Illinois.

Private First Class George Taylor (Army Serial Number 32247669), Medical Department, 48th Armored Infantry Battalion, United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 January 1945, in the St. Vith Area, Belgium. Entered the military service from New Jersey.

III. AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER (PURPLE HEART): By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, in addition to the Purple Heart previously awarded, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

Technician Fifth Grade Robert H. Atwood (Army Serial Number 31064288), Medical Department, 48th Armored Infantry Battalion, United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 April 1945, in the Schmollenberg Area, Germany. Entered the military service from Connecticut.

IV. AWARDS OF COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE: A. Under the provisions of War Department Circular No. 408, 17 October 1944, as amended, the Combat Infantryman Badge is awarded, for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy, to the following named enlisted men, 38th Armored Infantry Battalion:

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S Sgt Charles L. Pastorino 36117128	Pfc Farris M. Mansour 38172515
Sgt James J. Almond 34603200	Pfc William H. Marshall 36146180
Sgt Robert P. Mergenthaler 33565110	Pfc William McGonagle 33808499
Sgt Saul H. Myron 32220775	Pfc Harold O. Meier 37163985
Sgt Ralph B. Roush 33026901	Pfc Raymond H. Moeckel 31055580
Cpl Amato L. Mongelluzo 31169130	Pfc Edward Moore 33420859
Cpl Charles C. Stolworthy 32299002	Pfc John J. Mullen 33328327
Tec 5 William G. Branch 37099655	Pfc Joel Munskey 32220640
Tec 5 Andrew A. Esposito 33165609	Pfc William H. Nester 33075119
Pfc Rolando Amaya 38156151	Pfc T. J. Suttles 35089422
Pfc Philip L. Bresnahan 31361656	Pfc Benton P. Watson 33776126
Pfc Albert M. Carbone 32901969	Pvt Jack Carroll 34735688
Pfc Fernia D. Carson 34254255	Pvt Frank C. Massey 35089313
Pfc Willard Henderson 44157783	Pvt Walter W. Miller 42108533
Pfc Louis R. Kotermanski 13132241	Pvt Curtis R. Rickaway 38679370
Pfc Kenneth C. Kromer 33173019	Pvt John L. Stevens 36986093
Pfc Saul S. Lieberman 32214039	Pvt Howard T. Tedder 34868397
Pfc Harvey G. Maigal 33490171	Pvt Richard H. Toth 16177551

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SV CO

Tec 4 Steve A. Verbiak 35306836

B. VOCC 15 September 1944 awarding the Combat Infantryman Badge, under the provisions of War Department Circular No. 186, 11 May 1944, to Pvt Frank J. Piazza, Jr., 33466429, formerly Co A, 48th Armd Inf Bn, for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy, are hereby confirmed and made of record.

C. VOCC 15 October 1944 awarding the Combat Infantryman Badge under the provisions of War Department Circular No. 186, 11 May 1944, to the following named enlisted men, present and former members, Co C, 48th Armd Inf Bn, for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy, are hereby confirmed and made of record:

Tec 5 Henry F. Jackson 32932266

Pfc Victor E. Reed 33435106

D. VOCC 20 January 1945 awarding the Combat Infantryman Badge, under the provisions of War Department Circular No. 408, 17 October 1944, as amended, to the following named enlisted men, present and former members, 48th Armd Inf Bn, for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy, are hereby confirmed and made of record:

Pfc Samuel C. Brigito 32250058 Co A

Pvt Clifford M. LaMar 36990173 Co C

E. VOCC 1 March 1945 awarding the Combat Infantryman Badge under the provisions of War Department Circular No. 408, 17 October 1944, as amended, to Tec 5 Peter A. Gallagher, 32257420, Hq Co, Combat Comd "B," 7th Armd Div, for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy, are hereby confirmed and made of record.

V. AMENDMENT: So much of General Orders No. 89, this headquarters, c.s., as pertains to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal, as reads: "Technician Fifth Grade Jessie A. Cook (Army Serial Number 35578780), Coast Artillery Corps, 203d Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (SP)," is amended to read: "Technician Fifth Grade Jesse A. Cook (Army Serial Number 35578780), Coast Artillery Corps, 203d Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (SP)."

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL HASBROUCK:

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