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AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

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JULIAN M. QUARLES, 0397387, Captain (then First Lieutenant), 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 December 1943 in the vicinity of ***, Italy. Lieutenant Quarles was executive officer of Company F during the vicious attack against the well prepared and defended enemy positions on the southern slopes of **. On his own initiative, Lieutenant Quarles organized a platoon from elements of several platoons and fearlessly led them in the face of heavy small arms, grenade and mortar fire against the enemy positions. Over exposed, heavily mined terrain, he led his men to a rock wall and, in spite of withering machine gun fire which was brought on them, attacked on over the wall. He was wounded by a hand grenade, but disregarding his wound, he pressed the attack onward until the resistance became so great that it was necessary to take positions affording more cover. Carefully organizing the platoon positions, he then, despite the continued intense fire, crawled over the wall with two other men to give aid to and evacuate a wounded soldier who lay 75 yards beyond the wall. With enemy shells bursting about him, he carried the wounded man back to safety. His outstanding display of audacious courage and aggressiveness were a great inspiration to his command. His gallant actions reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered the Service from Nashville, Tennessee.

FREDERICK L. YOUNG, 01304301, Second Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 3 October 1943 in the vicinity of ***, Italy. During a critical period of an attack by forward elements of Company A against bitterly resisting enemy forces in strongly entrenched positions, the ammunition of the attacking elements was practically expended. Intense enemy mortar and machine gun fire fell on our forces. Realizing the gravity of the situation, Lieutenant Young, with utter disregard for his own safety, drove a vehicle over a heavily-mined road, through deadly enemy mortar and machine gun fire to replenish the supply of ammunition of Company A. Undaunted by the dangers of the intense fires he continued to lead his section and maintained a constant supply of vitally-needed ammunition, which materially assisted in routing the enemy from their positions. By his courageous action Lieutenant Young did much to convert a hazardous situation into a brilliant victory for our forces. His action reflects great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered the military service from Los Angeles, California

JOHN C. TURNER, 01294566, Second Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 December 1943 in the vicinity of ***, Italy. During the night attack on ***, Company G, advancing two platoons abreast, suddenly encountered withering enemy machine gun fire, temporarily halting the attack. Lieutenant Turner, First Platoon Leader, with a display of outstanding calmness, de-

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terminated the exact location of one of the machine guns by its muzzle blast. With utter disregard for his own safety in the face of this intense enemy fire he skillfully led his platoon in a quick flanking movement to a position near the hostile weapon and ordered a grenade volley which struck the well-entrenched enemy emplacement so effectively that it destroyed the weapon, inflicting casualties on part of the crew and forcing the remainder to flee. This action resulted in the withdrawal of the two other machine guns by the enemy, thus freeing this front line of the Battalion from their fire. By his display of outstanding leadership, quick thinking and courageous initiative, Lieutenant Turner enabled our troops to continue the advance, materially assisting in the ultimate capture of ***. His gallant action reflects great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered the Service from Snyder, Texas.

JOHN W. FALK, 38050465, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company C, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 24 January 1944, in the vicinity of ***, Italy. Sergeant Falk was assigned as second in command of a daylight combat patrol to cross the *** river and determine enemy strength and positions. The patrol crossed the river and moved over open terrain under heavy enemy machine gun, artillery and mortar fire since wind conditions made it impossible to cover the patrol's movements with smoke. When the patrol was subjected to intense machine gun and rifle fire, Sergeant Falk immediately placed fire back at the enemy and directed the fire power of other members of the patrol against enemy positions. When ordered to withdraw by infiltration, he moved his men back by bounds, keeping a cover of fire for each man although the patrol was receiving enemy fire from the front and left flank. Upon reaching the river, he supervised the successful crossing of his patrol without the loss of a man. He was also instrumental in effecting the rescue of a wounded American soldier who had lain in enemy territory for three days. His outstanding calmness and cool courage under heavy enemy fire greatly inspired all who witnessed his deeds. His gallant actions reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

KENNETH (NMI) HUDSON, 35267891, Sergeant (then Corporal), Company C, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 24 January 1944 in the vicinity of ***, Italy. Corporal Hudson was assigned as a member of a daylight combat patrol to cross the *** river and determine enemy strength and positions. The patrol crossed the river and moved over open terrain under heavy enemy machine gun, artillery and mortar fire since wind conditions made it impossible to cover the patrol's movements with smoke. When the patrol was subjected to intense enemy machine gun and rifle fire, Corporal Hudson immediately placed fire back at the enemy. When ordered to withdraw by infiltration, he moved his men back by bounds, keeping a cover of fire for each man although the patrol was receiving fire from the front and left flank. Upon reaching the river, he assisted in supervising the crossing of the patrol which reached the east side of the river without the loss of a man. He was also instrumental in effecting the evacuation of a wounded American soldier who had lain on the battlefield on the west side of the river for three days. His outstanding calmness and cool courage greatly inspired all who witnessed his deeds. His gallant actions reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered the Service from Lexington, Kentucky.

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JOE H. MILLER, 38051619, Sergeant, 36th Signal Company, for gallantry in action on 9 September 1943 in the vicinity of ~~***~~, Italy. Sergeant Miller, radio operator for the Division Commander, took shelter on the beach after landing under an intense enemy artillery barrage. As the fire subsided, he and the driver proceeded back to the command car which contained the vital radio. In so doing, the driver was instantly killed by an artillery shell, but Sergeant Miller dauntlessly went on to secure the vehicle. As he was driving from the beach, the vehicle struck a teller mine and was demolished, the explosion wounding Sergeant Miller and leaving him suffering from shock. With great fortitude, he refused to be evacuated, but went on to the Division Command Post where he worked almost constantly for four days and nights until his wound and utter exhaustion forced him to accept evacuation to a hospital. His outstanding courage, aggressiveness and devotion to duty were a fine contribution to the success of the bitterly opposed landing. His gallant action reflects great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered the Service from El Campo, Texas.

JOHN J. VER HULST, 32250866, Corporal
Battery C, 443d Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion
Entered the Service from Rochester, New York.

EDWARD (NMI) SHERMAN, 32253918, Technician Grade 5
Battery C, 443d Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion
Entered the Service from Cortland, New York.

RICHARD W. LINSOOTT, 31098959, Private First Class
Battery C, 443d Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion
Entered the Service from Washington, Maine.

CHARLES H. ZIMMER, 12056501, Private
Battery C, 443d Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion
Entered the Service from Syracuse, New York.

JOSEPH A. GUGLIEMOS, 243470, Private
Battery C, 443d Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion
Entered the Service from Auburn, New York.

For gallantry in action on 11 December 1943 in the vicinity of ~~***~~, Italy. The antiaircraft gun crew, of which these men were members, while protecting Battery A, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, engaged a formation of twelve FW-190 fighter-bombers diving to attack their positions. Plane after plane dove over the area firing machine guns and automatic cannon and dropping anti-personnel bombs. Although bullets, shells and bombs rained around them, five bombs exploding in the immediate vicinity of their gun, each of these men continued to contribute to deadly accurate fire at the attacking planes until a bomb exploded directly behind them, killing or wounding all members of the crew. The unflinching courage and outstanding aggressive leadership of each of these men materially contributed to the probable destruction of three of the enemy aircraft. Their gallant action reflects great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

LEO H. HUMMEL, 20817626, Technician Grade 5, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 September 1943 in the vicinity of ~~***~~, Italy. Technician Grade 5 Hummel, a member of a medical detachment attached to an attacking infantry company, advanced with the unit until it was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire. In order that he might more accurately observe any

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casualties caused by the intense enemy small arms and mortar fire, he stationed himself near the firing line of his unit and kept a close and determined watch on his own men. Repeatedly in the face of grave danger, Technician Grade 5 Hummel left positions of comparative safety to render immediate and skillful first aid to his comrades. His coolness under fire, unselfish determination and outstanding courage were both an inspiration and a comfort to those who witnessed his deeds. His gallant action reflects great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered the Service from Gonzales, Texas.

PRESTON D. GRAYBEAL, 33384080, Private First Class, Cannon Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 September 1943 in the vicinity of ~~Italy~~, Italy. Private First Class Graybeal, member of the crew of a 75mm Self-Propelled gun, was assigned the mission of assisting in the repulsion of an attack by thirteen Mark IV enemy tanks which seriously threatened the 36th Division Command Post and the beachhead. During this action he was constantly exposed to the intense fire of the approaching tanks, but with utter disregard for his own safety he calmly stood his ground and together with his crew determinedly engaged the numerically superior enemy. His indefatigable efforts assisted in the destruction of five of the enemy tanks, crushing the enemy attack. His calm and efficient performance in the face of withering fire inspired all who witnessed his deeds. His gallant action reflects great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered the Service from Newark, Ohio.

By command of Major General WALKER:

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