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I. AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroism.

RICHARD N. CHADWELL, 38065938, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Detachment, 111th Medical Battalion. Entered the Service from Odessa, Texas.
 ELMER F. HELMAN, 37211543, Corporal, Headquarters Detachment, 111th Medical Battalion. Entered the Service from Baileyville, Kansas.

For heroism on 10 January 1945 in France. A can of gasoline, attached to a stove by a rubber hose, was accidentally ignited in the second-floor office of the 111th Medical Battalion Personnel Section, and the surrounding floor space burst into flames. Aware of the danger to both personnel and records, these men, working with their bare hands, freed the can and hose from the stove and carried it down three flights of stairs and outside the building. Almost immediately the rubber hose was completely disintegrated by flames, and burning gasoline sprayed over an area 20 feet in diameter. Both of them suffered burns in removing the flaming can from the building. Their quick-thinking and courage saved their records and prevented possible injury to their companions.

JACK KING, 20817512, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters and Service Company, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Entered the Service from Port Arthur, Texas.

KENARD W. SANDS, 13127789, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters and Service Company, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Entered the Service from Pittston, Pennsylvania.

FRANK E. NEWBOLD, JR., 13080893, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters and Service Company, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

EDWARD R. LAMBERT, 35473777, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters and Service Company, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Entered the Service from Dayton, Ohio.

PHILLIP R. SHOEMAKER, 20412756, Private First Class, Headquarters and Service Company, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Entered the Service from Statesville, North Carolina.

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for heroism on 15 August 1944 in France. In the invasion of Southern France, a large landing craft was struck squarely by an enemy glider bomb, and ammunition on board began to explode. Although these men had been moved inland from the beach to escape the shell fragments, they returned to the shore near the burning ship and began rescue work. They worked until midnight, swimming alongside the ship and dragging the men who had been forced to abandon the craft to the shore. The above men did not cease their unselfish and hazardous work until they had saved 75 men from drowning and had treated another 15 for burns, wounds and shock.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 1. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat:

- VERNON M. SCOTT, 0407156, Captain, 142d Infantry Regiment, 9 January 1945, France. Entered the Service from Brownwood, Texas.
- FRANK M. CATHCART, JR., 0525873, First Lieutenant, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24-25 February 1945, France. Entered the Service from Chicago, Ill.
- GEORGE G. OSBORN, 01308692, First Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, 12 December 1944, France. Entered the Service from Phillips, Wisconsin.

2. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for meritorious service in combat operations:

- CRESENCIO VALDEZ, 38025659, Technician Fourth Grade, Company A, 141st Infantry Regiment, 15 to 20 December 1943, Italy. Entered the Service from Crystal City, Texas.
- OSCAR MARIN, 20801505, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 141st Infantry Regiment, 15 to 20 December 1943, Italy. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.
- VERNON HUMES, 35267974, Private First Class, Company A, 141st Infantry Regiment, 15 to 20 December 1943, Italy. Entered the Service from Lexington, Kentucky.

III. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER - BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of the second Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual for heroic achievement in combat:

NORMAN C. CURNUTT, 38342433, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 142d Infantry Regiment, 9 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Canadian, Texas.

By command of Major General DAHLQUIST:

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