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

TED W. OWENS, 20815193, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism on 5 March 1945 in France. While driving through a town at night, Tec 5 Owens noticed flames coming from a building. He entered and, finding the house on fire, awoke the occupants of the first floor. He then went to the second floor which was flaming fiercely. He found three children sleeping in the burning rooms. He brought one child down to safety, and through by this time the stairs were on fire, he made two more trips to the second floor and succeeded in bringing the other two children out of the burning building without harm. His magnificent courage at the risk of his life saved an entire family from tragedy. Entered the Service from Italy, Texas.

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

CHARLES J. CUSSON, 01696811, Captain, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 24 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Lyndonville, Vermont.

JOSEPH G. ROBERTS, 34827452, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 141st Infantry Regiment, 15 December 1944, France. Entered the Service from Buford, Georgia.

HOWARD V. NELSON, 38038980, Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 21 January 1945, France. Entered the Service from Cookville, Texas.

WILLIAM E. ROBERTS, 35321274, Technician Fifth Grade, Antitank Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 23 to 30 January 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Cortland, Ohio.

KENNETH W. DARLAND, 38007372, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 21 January 1945, France. Entered the Service from Canyon City, Colorado.

JOHN E. KUCHAR, 33268116, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 21 January 1945, France. Entered the Service from Charleroi, Pennsylvania.

SIDNEY O. BECK, 33708022, Private First Class (then Private), Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 11 February 1945, France. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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BERNON E. VICKERS, 34945715, Private, Company G, 143d Infantry Regiment, 21 January 1945, France. Entered the Service from Columbia, Alabama.

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

WILLIAM C. HENDERSON, 20802547, Technician Fourth Grade, Company F, 141st Infantry Regiment, 13 to 19 December 1944, France. Entered the Service from Lockhart, Texas.

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

JAMES R. FERGUSON, 0418363, Captain, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, 15 August to 24 December 1944, France. Entered the Service from Fort Collins, Colo.

III. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Air Medal is awarded to the following named individual for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

ANTHONY T. RODDEN, 01172625, First Lieutenant, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 15 January to 15 March 1945, France. Entered the Service from Ambridge, Pa.

IV. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER.- AIR MEDAL. 1. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a first, second, third and fourth Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of the second, third, fourth and fifth Air Medal are awarded to the following named individual for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

DIKRAN BARRONIAN, 01168547, First Lieutenant, 59th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 17 February to 27 October 1944, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Belmont, Massachusetts.

2. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a second Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of the third Air Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

JOSEPH M. DENAS, 01173585, First Lieutenant, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 23 December 1944 to 28 February 1945, France. Entered the Service from South Fork, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH M. BROOKS, 20815325, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery A, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 17 December 1944 to 17 March 1945, France. Entered the Service from Corsicana, Texas.

By command of Major General DAHLQUIST:

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