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HEADQUARTERS 36TH INFANTRY DIVISION
APO #36, U. S. Army

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18 February 1945

GENERAL ORDERS

NO. 34

- Divisional Citation of Unit.....I
- Award of Purple Heart.....II
- Award of Oak Leaf Cluster - Purple Heart.....III

I. DIVISIONAL CITATION OF UNIT. Company B, 83d Chemical Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in support of infantry troops in combat on 12 December 1944 in France. On the morning of 12 December 1944, Company B, 83d Chemical Battalion, was supporting the 141st Infantry Regimental Combat Team from positions near a strategically important town. Without warning, the company was surrounded and their mortar positions overrun by numerically superior enemy troops who had infiltrated through the densely wooded terrain. The members of Company B, whose mortars were located in the narrow space between the woods and the town, immediately directed heavy small arms fire at the onrushing enemy from their inferior, downhill position, and fought with such valor and determination that they delayed the attackers, providing sufficient time for the deployment of reserve units. The intensity of the hostile assault forced the mortarmen to withdraw to the outskirts of town where they hastily replenished their supply of small arms ammunition and joined the counterattacking force in a strong thrust which cleared their overrun positions. Then, while still under heavy automatic weapons fire, they directed effective mortar concentrations which completely disorganized and hastened the retreat of the hostile force.

II. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142d Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

- DONALD L. DE FOREST, 0540116, 2d Lieutenant, 1 February 1945. Entered the Service from Crestwood, New York.
- ELMER H. LANGVAD, 36748380, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 2 February 1945. Entered the Service from Winthrop Harbor, Illinois.
- PORTER R. WARREN, 34895094, Sergeant, Company B, 24 January 1945. Entered the Service from Asheville, North Carolina.
- MALCOLM P. CHILDRESS, 34027721, Technician Fifth Grade, Company F, 4 February 1945. Entered the Service from New Orleans, Louisiana.
- SAM GRUBBS, 34833081, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 3 February 1945. Entered the Service from Metter, Georgia.
- CHARLES W. HEAL, 39725795, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 4 February 1945. Entered the Service from Altadena, California.
- AFOLONIO P. HERNANDEZ, 36547749, Private First Class, Company E, 4 February 1945. Entered the Service from Beaumont, Texas.
- BUGLENE B. MC CULLOUGH, 36037074, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 5 February 1945. Entered the Service from Annona, Texas.

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REUBEN NICHOLSON, 34830385, Private First Class, Company F, 4 February 1945. Entered the Service from Hiawasse, Georgia.

CHARLES M. RAGO, 42065549, Private First Class, Company C, 2 February 1945. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

ALEXANDER J. ZYRAMBI, 31408885, Private First Class, Company G, 2 February 1945. Entered the Service from Hartford, Connecticut.

CLYDE P. SLATON, 6923843, Private First Class, Company L, 3 December 1944. Entered the Service from Albertsville, Alabama.

HULEN T. GARNER, 38446004, Private First Class, Company I, 13 February 1945. Entered the Service from Newport, Arkansas.

FRANK L. NAHLEN, 38669521, Private First Class, Company B, 11 February 1945. Entered the Service from Conway, Arkansas.

MAURICE H. RICHMOND, 33801108, Private First Class, Company G, 10 February 1945. Entered the Service from Sharon Hill, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH VINGELLI, 32721868, Private First Class, Company A, 10 February 1945. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

WILLIAM H. WEBBER, 42066917, Private First Class, Company I, 13 February 1945. Entered the Service from Yonkers, New York.

WALTER P. ROBBINS, SR., 33940768, Private, Company C, 13 February 1945. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

EMERSON E. PRESTON, 36983934, Private, Company E, 1 February 1945. Entered the Service from Galesburg, Illinois.

JOHN SAREK, 33938485, Private, Company L, 4 December 1944. Entered the Service from Avella, Pennsylvania.

KENNETH P. VAN SICKLE, 33941073, Private, Company L, 10 February 1945. Entered the Service from Pittston, Pennsylvania.

III. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER - PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of the second Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142d Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

KENNETH L. IVELY, 01310847, 1st Lieutenant, 30 November 1944. Entered the Service from Susquehanna, Pennsylvania.

HOLGER B. MIKKELSEN, 39396159, Sergeant, Company L, 16 December 1944. Entered the Service from San Francisco, California.

ERNEST L. BICE, 39864754, Private First Class, Company F, 5 February 1945. Entered the Service from Eloy, Arizona.

WALTER WALL, 31372221, Private First Class, Company L, 10 February 1945. Entered the Service from Seekonk, Massachusetts.

By command of Major General DAHLQUIST:

JOHN J. ALERIGHT
Colonel, General Staff Corps
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

Vincent M. Lockhart
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Major, Adjutant General's Department
Asst Adjutant General.

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