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SECTION I — AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named individual for heroism.

VIRGIL C. JONES, 20820204, Sergeant, 736th Ordnance (IM) Company, for heroism on 15 and 16 August 1944 in France. When, in the invasion of Southern France, a landing craft was hit squarely by a radio-controlled bomb from an enemy plane, the ship exploded, then grounded on a sand bar 50 yards from shore. Ignoring the dangers of exploding ammunition and burning oil, Sergeant Jones jumped into the water and made his way to the survivors. Working indefatigably under constant strain, he carried the injured men out of the water to a place of safety on the shore. After making several of the hazardous, exhausting trips to the burning ship, he assisted in administering first aid to the wounded and in evacuating them to the aid station. Entered the Service from Austin, Texas.

SECTION II — AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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 in France.

GEORGE A. TAYLOR, 0408575, Captain, 142d Infantry Regiment, 26 August 1944. Entered the Service from Clinton, South Carolina.

ALBERT R. BURR, 01293715, First Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, 26 August 1944. Entered the Service from Riverside, California.

ROBERT W. HILLARD, 38037009, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 142d Infantry Regiment, 16 August 1944. Entered the Service from Denton, Texas.

WAYNE D. WAGNER, 34733081, Private First Class, Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, 26 August 1944. Entered the Service from Kingsport, Tennessee.

JAMES C. VONCLIS, 12129886, Private First Class, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 19 August 1944. Entered the Service from Rochester, New York.

ERNEST C. CLEVELAND, 35760200, Private First Class, Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, 26 August 1944. Entered the Service from Morganstown, West Virginia.

NICHOLAS E. HUBER, 32284057, Private First Class, Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, 21 August 1944. Entered the Service from Buffalo, New York.

STEPHEN A. YARKOWSKY, 36587202, Private First Class, Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, 21 August 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.

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SECTION III -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in France.

JOE E. CHEANEY, 20806800, Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, 16 August 1944. Entered the Service from Electra, Texas.

ALDRICE L. SMITH, 38036780, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, 16 August 1944. Entered the Service from Mexia, Texas.

SECTION IV -- COMMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following named individual is commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct.

ROBERT W. PLUNKETT, 0452535, Captain, Headquarters 36th Infantry Division, for exceptionally meritorious conduct from 15 March to 15 June 1944 in Italy. Captain Plunkett, Assistant Division Inspector General, was detailed, in addition to his regular duties, as defense counsel for general court-martial. During this period he personally defended in general court-martial cases and, by carefully preparing the defense of all of these cases, assisted materially in maintaining the respect and integrity of the courts-martial of this division. In spite of the adverse combat conditions under which these trials were held, Captain Plunkett performed his duties cheerfully and in a superior manner. Entered the Service from Saint Paul, Minnesota.

SECTION V -- CORRECTED AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

So much of General Orders Number 282, cs, this Headquarters, as awards a Bronze Star medal to Private First Class JOCKISH ANTON, 35277069, Company A, 142d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in combat in Italy is rescinded, and the following substituted therefor.

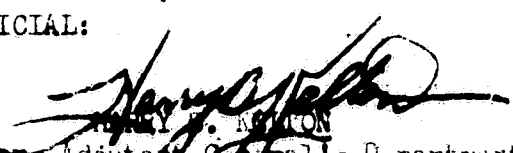
"Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the following named individual is awarded a Bronze Star medal for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

"ANTON JOCKICH, 35277069, Private First Class, Company A, 142d Infantry Regiment, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Cleveland, Ohio."

By command of Major General DAHLQUIST:

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