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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL--Under the provisions of AR 600-45 and Circular No. 66, Headquarters First Army, dated 18 May 1944, the Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following named officer for gallantry in action in France:

Captain Clifford J. McCarthy, 0-370367, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 7 July 1944 near #________, France. Captain McCarthy, as Battalion S-3, was given the mission of guiding the tanks in a tank-infantry attack. Other means of communication having failed, Captain McCarthy proceeded forward from objective to objective, constantly exposing himself to the fire of snipers and entrenched enemy infantry. His utter disregard for his own safety, and his initiative and aggressiveness were an inspiration to the officers and men of his battalion. His inspired leadership was in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL--Under the provisions of AR 600-45 as amended, per TM 50-4, Letter 200.3-1 P, subject: "Bronze Star Medals", dated 27 February 1944, and in accordance with the authority contained in paragraph 5c, Section I, Circular No. 32, Eq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, and Circular No. 63, Headquarters First Army, dated 18 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officers and enlisted men of the 83d Infantry Division:

Private First Class John J. Aaron, 35714185, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 20 July 1944, as anti-tank gunner, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class Carlos A. Balleza, 38419763, Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, from 4 July 1944 to 16 July 1944, as first-aid man, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Texas.

Private Horacio Benavides, 39231510, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 14 July 1944, as anti-tank gunner, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from California.

Private Benjamin Bianchini, 33338651, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 20 July 1944, as anti-tank gunner, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant Robert B. Gural, O-1101380, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, from 4 July 1944 to 16 July 1944, as platoon leader, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private Joseph E. Exler, 33365723, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 20 July 1944, as anti-tank gunner, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Richard F. Farmer, 34307677, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 5 July 1944, as automatic rifleman, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Tennessee.
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Staff Sergeant William J. Graff, Jr., 33357264, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 8 July 1944, communications platoon sergeant, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Second Lieutenant Hugh S. Harris, 0-520853, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 14 July 1944, as anti-tank platoon commander, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Virginia.

First Lieutenant Henry C. Hadden, 0-1047556, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 7 July 1944, as platoon leader, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Isaac Karns, 35671236, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 5 July 1944, as messenger, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain John K. Luhn, 0-432831, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in France, from 4 July 1944 to 20 July 1944, as liaison officer, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Kansas.

Private Aubrey V. Lewis, 35449830, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 14 July 1944, as anti-tank gunner, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant Edward Locke, 31176476, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 15 July 1944, as platoon sergeant, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

Private First Class Howard Long, 35281665, Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 14 July 1944, as first aid man, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade Henry M. Martin, 34329144, Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, from 4 July 1944 to 18 July 1944, as first aid man, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant Austin L. Hayes, 20810026, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 20 July 1944, as anti-tank gunner, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Texas.

Sergeant William G. McFadden, 31213109, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 6 July 1944, as anti-tank gunner, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class Marshall C. Miller, 14125256, Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 4 July 1944, as first aid man, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from South Carolina.

First Lieutenant Robert A. Mitchell, 0-1049220, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 9 July 1944, as platoon leader, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Connecticut.
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Captain Harry L. Heath, O-1166573, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, from 4 July 1944 to 22 July 1944, as liaison officer, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Kansas.

First Lieutenant Francis J. Oliver, O-1291863, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 6 July 1944, as company commander, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant James F. Overholtz, 35664958, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 12 July 1944, as anti-tank gunner, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Clarence B. Paul, 32287706, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 20 July 1944, as anti-tank gunner, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Virginia.

Captain Maurice G. Phillips, O-1170911, (then First Lieutenant), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in France, 4 July 1944, as liaison officer, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class Angelo P. Piacentino, 33690200, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 6 July 1944, as assistant BAR man, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant Joseph E. Stefanini, 33036282, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 7 July 1944, as platoon guide, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private Fred H. White, 34714399, Med Corps United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, from 4 July 1944 to 10 July 1944, as first-aid man, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Missouri.

Staff Sergeant Sampson Young, 34389490, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 14 July 1944, as anti-tank gunner, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from South Carolina.

First Lieutenant Frank X. Yule, O-1287103, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 4 July 1944, as rifle platoon leader, in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private Pearl W. Frechour, 35446182, Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service, in France, 12 July 1944, as first-aid man in connection with military operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Ohio.

III--Award of Puple Heart--Pursuant to authority contained in \( \geq 600 \cdot 40 \), the Purple Heart is awarded to the following officers and enlisted men:

Sergeant Robert R. Hartwell, 3194758, Infantry, United States Army, for wounds received in action on 22 July 1944, in France.
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Private George A. McDell 36975033, Infantry, United States Army, for wounds received in action on 22 July 1944, in France.

Sergeant Gene E. Mine, 55358655, Infantry, United States Army, for wounds received in action on 22 July 1944, in France.

Private Frank Koats, 15824533, Infantry, United States Army, for wounds received in action on 22 July 1944, in France.

Sergeant Lawrence J. Redmond, 33858645, Infantry, United States Army, for wounds received in action on 22 July 1944, in France.

Technician Fifth Grade Francis J. Henry, 51270736, Infantry, United States Army, for wounds received in action on 22 July 1944, in France.

Staff Sergeant L. E. Sheek, 35664554, Infantry, United States Army, for wounds received in action on 22 July 1944, in France.

Sergeant James A. Brown, 15077506, Field Artillery, United States Army, for wounds received in action on 18 July 1944, in France.

Private First Class Joseph C. Clark, 34679006, Infantry, United States Army, for wounds received in action on 22 July 1944, in France.

First Lieutenant William Bennett, O-1355672, Infantry, United States Army, for wounds received in action on 22 July 1944, in France.

Private First Class John R. Wierenga, 35562342, Infantry, United States Army, for wounds received in action on 22 July 1944.

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