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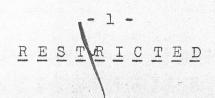
GENERAL ORDERS

NUMBER 67

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45 and Circular 6, Third United States Army, current series, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men for gallantry in action in northern France:

MAJOR CLEVELAND A. LYTLE, 0326170, Infantry, United States Army. On 18-19 August 1944 Major Lytle, moving with the leading elements of his Battalion, advanced through * * France, despite a determined enemy resistance, small arms fire and fire from enemy self-propelled guns. Forced to make personal contact between elements of his command in order to maintain control, Major Lytle was further handicapped by dense smoke from several fires raging in the forest which at times enveloped elements of his command. Nevertheless, on 19 August 1944 his Battalion emerged from the forest and captured * * France. By his heroism, determination and outstanding leadership he not only surmounted an impressive terrain feature but captured the town which was strongly held by the enemy. Entered service from South Carolina.

IST LT ELLSWORTH H. HOWARD, Ololl741, Infantry, United States Army. On 16 August 1944 in the vicinity of * * * France, when his section of tanks had penetrated the town, after heavy fighting and fighting still continued on the edges of the town, his ammunition became very low. There was danger of the enemy regaining the town should he remove his tanks to resupply them with ammunition. Lt Howard, and one companion, loaded a \frac{1}{4} ton truck with the needed ammunition, ran a gauntlet of fire to reach the tank section, enabling it to maintain its position. His gallant action contributed to the holding of this important key to the * * * position, which resulted later in enormous destruction of enemy material and personnel and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered service from Kentucky.



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2D LT JAMES F. FLOWERS, JR, O1017690, Infantry, United States Army. On 6 July 1944 near * * * France, learning that an Infantry Battalion was cut off by enemy forces, Lt Flowers voluntarily loaded food and ammunition on the three medium tanks of his platoon and at considerable risk due to the ammunition on the tank decks, attempted to break through to the isolated unit. Enemy tanks were known to be in the area and because of stubborn resistance and poor visibility, two successive attempts failed. Nevertheless, a third attempt to reach the isolated troops succeeded on 7 July 1944. This resulted in relief to the battalion and evacuation of its wounded. Entered service from Texas.

Cpl Russell J. Cameron, 16150857, * * * Tank Battalion, United States Army. On 16 August 1944 in the vicinity of * * France, when his section of tanks had penetrated the town, after heavy fighting and fighting still continued on the edges of the town, his ammunition became very low. There was danger of the enemy regaining the town should the tanks be removed to resupply them with ammunition. Cpl Cameron, and one companion, loaded a ½ ton truck with the much needed ammunition and ran a gauntlet of fire to reach the tank section, enabling it to maintain its position. His gallant action contributed to the holding of this important key to the * * * position, which resulted later in enormous destruction of enemy material and personnel and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered service from Michigan.

Cpl Charles B. Woodson, 37143267, Field Artillery, United States Army. On 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of * * France, elements of an enemy armored brigade attacked the * * command post. Cpl Woodson, who was stationed at the message center, fought gallantly, throwing grenades, firing his carbine and bringing up ammunition under pointblank fire from enemy tanks and Infantry. Although wounded, he insisted upon returning to the fire fight after receiving first aid and was subsequently wounded by an enemy grenade which caused the loss of one and possibly both of his eyes. Cpl Woodson's determination, gallantry and courage were an inspiration to the men of his organization and contributed materially to the successful defense of the command post. Entered service from Missouri.

II. POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45 and Circular 6, Third United States Army, current series, the Bronze Star is awarded posthumously to the following named enlisted man for bravery in action in northern France:



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Tec 5 Edmund Pilz, 31245928, * * * Tank Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of * * * France, as driver of a tank in the Battle of * * * his action and personal efforts of great destruction made to the enemy resulted in more than 50 prisoners taken. Entered service from Rhode Island.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45 and Circular 6, Third United States Army, current series, the Bronze Star is awarded to the following named enlisted men for bravery in action in northern France:

S Sgt Eugene E. Crawford, 34195790, (then Sgt) * * Tank Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of * * * France, as tank commander in the Battle of * * Sgt Crawford's action and personal efforts of great destruction to the enemy resulted in more than 50 prisoners being taken by his action alone. Entered service from Georgia.

Sgt David F. Wilson, 17044360, * * Tank Battalion United States Army. On 17 August 1944 in the vicinity of * * France, Sgt Wilson's section of tanks had forced itself into the town. The enemy made a determined counterattack and Sgt Wilson permitted a tank to reach within 30 yards of his position and then destroyed it. The enemy then continued to counterattack but received such effective fire from Sgt Wilson's tank that the counterattack was broken up. Entered service from Missouri.

Cpl Harvey H. Craven, 33481752, * * * Tank Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of * * * France, as gunner of a tank in the Battle of * * * , Cpl Craven's action and personal efforts of great destruction made to the enemy resulted in more than 50 prisoners being taken by his action alone. Entered service from Pennsylvania.

Pfc Joseph A. Bernardino, 32937401, * * * Tank Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of * * * France, as bow gunner of a tank in the Battle of * * * Pfc Bernardino's action and personal efforts of great destruction made to the enemy resulted in more than 50 prisoners being taken by his action alone. Entered service from New York.

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Pfc Santo F. Cropanese, 32460591, * * * Tank Battalion, United States Army. On 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of * * * France, as cannoneer of a tank in the Battle of * * * his action and personal efforts of great destruction made to the enemy resulted in more than 50 prisoners being taken by his action alone. Entered service from New Jersey.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

United States Army, current series, the Bronze Star is awarded CAPTAIN NICK B. GOIA, O1549480, Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious service during the period 8 June to 25 August 1944 in action against an enemy of the United States in France. Entered service from Ohio.

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