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HEADQUARTERS, 90TH INFANTRY DIVISION
APO 90, U. S. Army

15 August 1944

GENERAL ORDERS

No. 37

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45 and Circular 6, Third U. S. Army, cs, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted man for gallantry in action in northern France:

Cpl Leftwich Bentley, 37107809, Med Dept, United States Army. On 10 June 1944 when his battalion launched an attack toward ***, France over very difficult terrain, his company commander received a severe wound. While the area was still under very heavy artillery and small arms fire, Cpl Bentley, disregarding his own personal safety and being warned that he ran great risk of becoming a casualty himself, set out with two companions and worked his way 150 yards into the shelled area where the enemy had excellent observation. Reaching the wounded Captain he removed him from the shelled area where he was able to receive timely treatment for his wounds. This gallant action on the part of Cpl Bentley is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions. Entered service from Arkansas.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45 and Circular 6 Third U. S. Army, cs, the Bronze Star is awarded the following named officers and enlisted men for bravery in action in northern France:

1ST LT WALLACE A. KAPAUN, 0411174, Inf, United States Army. On 13 June 1944 when his company was in line under very heavy pressure from the enemy, Lt Kapaun worked his way to a smoke-stack tower where he was able to direct mortar fire throughout the day's action although his position was under frequent fire from the enemy and the tower from which he was observing was hit twice by enemy shelling. From his hazardous but favorable position he was able to direct accurate mortar fire on the enemy and greatly decreased the effectiveness of fire on our troops. Entered service from North Dakota.

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1ST LT KENNETH J. GOLZ, 01317776, Inf, (then 2d Lt) United States Army. On 14 June 1944 when his company was in line under very heavy pressure from the enemy, Lt Golz worked his way to a smokestack tower where he was able to direct mortar fire throughout the day's action although his position was under frequent fire from the enemy and the tower from which he was observing was hit three times by enemy shelling. From his hazardous but favorable position he was able to direct accurate mortar fire on the enemy and greatly decreased the effectiveness of fire on our troops. Entered service from Wisconsin.

Tec 5 Raymond F. Lombardi, 38084734, Inf, United States Army. On 9 and 10 July 1944 Tec 5 Lombardi and three companions laid and maintained a wire line to an advance position. His task was completed under heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire and he remained at his post throughout the night in order to keep the line in service. Entered service from Colorado.

Pfc Philip B. Trout, 33139860, Med Dept, United States Army. On 12 June Pfc Trout, an aid man in his unit which suffered heavy casualties, was wounded in the abdomen by shell fragments. Notwithstanding and being unable to walk, he crawled to another seriously wounded man and attempted to administer first aid until he himself collapsed in the effort. Entered service from Pennsylvania.

Pvt William J. Gauntlett, 33831885, Inf, United States Army. On 3 July 1944 Pvt Gauntlett voluntarily crawled one hundred yards into "no man's land", rescued and brought to safety a wounded comrade who was bleeding badly and thereby saved his life. Entered service from Pennsylvania.

By command of Brigadier General McLAIN:

JOHN C. WHITCOMB,
Col, Inf,
Actg Cofs.

OFFICIAL:

Ray C. Scott
RAY C. SCOTT,
Lt Col, AGD,
Adj Gen.

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