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R E S T R I C T E DHEADQUARTERS 90TH INFANTRY DIVISION
APO 90, U. S. Army

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GENERAL ORDERS

No. 45

I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45 and Circular 66, First U. S. Army, cs, the Bronze Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men for bravery in action in northern France:

MAJOR VLADIMIR B. KEDROVSKY, 0451831, Cav, * * * Tank Bn, United States Army. On 3 August 1944 when a vehicle preceeding Maj Kedrovsky out of * * *, France, was hit by enemy strafing planes, the ammunition on it began to explode, blocking the road. Maj Kedrovsky immediately mounted a tank and, unmindful of the danger from exploding ammunition, guided it in such a manner as to cut a path around the burning vehicle, thus allowing the column to proceed. Entered service from Indiana.

1ST LT EUGENE T. GODFREY, 01011125, Inf, * * * Tank Bn, United States Army. On 7 August 1944 Lt Godfrey was moving near the head of a column when his vehicle was suddenly fired on by some high velocity weapons and machine guns. Although the suddenness of the fire caused some confusion, Lt Godfrey proceeded calmly to develop the enemy situation and set up a base of fire which enabled the Infantry to advance and seize its objective in a very short time. Entered service from Missouri.

S Sgt William F. Schwenke, 38155164, Med Dept, United States Army. On 12 June 1944 Sgt Schwenke was assisting in an aid station when the area came under intense enemy fire and the Infantry in front withdrew. Sgt Schwenke with four other companions voluntarily remained in position in the area although it remained under constant enemy mortar and artillery fire. Entered service from Texas.

S Sgt Daniel M. Regan, 20114314, Inf, United States Army. On 12 July 1944 an enemy shell set fire to a truckload of ammunition and fire spread to small arms ammunition. Sgt Regan and one other companion, realizing that if the fire reached heavier caliber ammunition it would at once begin to explode and endanger the lives of wounded men near the truck, quickly removed the ammunition and then assisted the wounded men to a place of safety. Entered service from Massachusetts.

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S Sgt George Montgomery, 38126692, Inf, (then Sgt) United States Army. On 6 July 1944 near * * *, France, Sgt Montgomery's company had reached its objective but a terrific enemy mortar and artillery barrage hit the area before a defensive position could be organized. Forward elements of a company on the left fell back and left his company exposed on three sides and the position was immediately subjected to an enemy counterattack. Sgt Montgomery worked into a favorable position with an improved field of fire and, although exposed to fire throughout the action, manned a machine gun, thereby protecting the right flank and enabling his company to maintain its position. Entered service from Oklahoma.

S Sgt Aram J. Deragon, Jr, 31247260, Inf (then Pfc) United States Army. On 13 July 1944 when Sgt Deragon's squad was advancing through hedgerows, it came under surprise machine gun fire and one man of his party was wounded. Sgt Deragon worked his way to a position where he could fire on the machine gun with his M-1 rifle. His fire was so effective that he silenced the machine gun, allowing other members of the platoon to get to cover and at the same time protecting the squad leader so that he could get the wounded man back to safety. Entered service from Rhode Island.

S Sgt Anthony Scachetti, 20111794, Inf, United States Army. On 6 July 1944 near * * *, France, Sgt Scachetti, a machine gun section leader, was with his section in the center of a field when an enemy counterattack developed. Sgt Scachetti left his machine gun section with his second in command and helped repulse the attack with bayonet and hand grenades, assisting rifle elements throughout the afternoon. This fine example of leadership and courage was in line with the highest traditions of the military spirit. Entered service from Massachusetts.

Tec 4 Canuto L. Rivera, 38103934, Med Dept, United States Army. On 12 June 1944 Tec 4 Rivera was assisting in an aid station when the area came under intense enemy fire causing the Infantry in front to fall back. Tec 4 Rivera, with four other companions, voluntarily remained in position in the area although it was under constant enemy mortar and artillery fire. Entered service from New Mexico.

Tec 4 Alfred B. Copt, 37170671, Med Dept, United States Army. On 12 June 1944 Tec 4 Copt was assisting in an aid station when the area came under intense enemy fire causing the Infantry in front to fall back. Tec 4 Copt, with four other companions, voluntarily remained in position in the area although it was under constant enemy mortar and artillery fire. Entered service from Minnesota.

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Tec 5 Salvador A. Belli, 31204699, Med Dept, United States Army. On 8 July 1944 Tec 5 Belli voluntarily went to the aid of a wounded soldier and removed him to a place of safety just before another shell, which would have killed the wounded man, fell into the position. Entered service from Massachusetts.

Tec 5 William S. Humenasky, 33139971, Med Dept (then Pfc) United States Army. On 12 June 1944 Tec 5 Humenasky was assisting in an aid station when the area came under intense enemy fire causing the Infantry in front to fall back. Tec 5 Humenasky, with four other companions, voluntarily remained in position in the area although it was under constant enemy mortar and artillery fire. Entered service from Pennsylvania.

Tec 5 George S. Rogers, Jr, 33491946, Med Dept, United States Army. During the period 3 to 9 July 1944 when the companies to which he was attached suffered numerous casualties, Tec 5 Rogers disregarded enemy small arms and mortar fire repeatedly to assist the wounded men and also assisted wounded men of adjacent units. In one instance particularly, when one man was hit by enemy machine gun fire 200 yards away, Tec 5 Rogers ran through the machine gun fire to the wounded man and succeeded in taking him to the aid station although in returning, he himself was wounded. Entered service from Pennsylvania.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45 and Circular 66 First U.S. Army, cs, the Bronze Star is awarded to CAPTAIN GEORGE L. INGRAM, 0336212, FA, United States Army. For extraordinary meritorious service in action in France against an enemy of the United States from 5 to 8 July 1944. Entered service from Texas.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45 and Circular 66, First U.S. Army, cs, the Bronze Star is awarded to S Sgt Edward T. McCabe, 31005462, Inf, United States Army. For extraordinary meritorious service in action in France against an enemy of the United States from 5 to 13 July 1944.

III. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45 dated 22 September 1943, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

Tec 3 Joseph J. Selmer, 12051242, Inf, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 August 1944 in France. Entered service from New Jersey.