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I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE SILVER STAR.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star is awarded by the Division Commander to the following named officer:

BOB E. EDWARDS, O 388 365, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters, 68th Armored Infantry Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For gallantry in action near Kirchenberkig, Germany, on 15 April 1945. During the attack on the town when murderous enemy fire broke up the initial phase of the attack, Colonel Edwards swiftly reorganized his forces and directed the assault from his front line position. Constantly exposing himself to the enemy barrage, his calmness and courage inspired the confidence of his men resulting in the final success of the attack. Colonel Edwards' resourcefulness, gallantry and high sense of responsibility reflect honor on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Hiwasse, Arkansas.

II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded by the Division Commander to the following named individuals:

FRANCIS J. HENNELLY, 37 402 572, Technician Fourth Grade, Troop B, 94th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron Mechanized, 14th Armored Division. For gallantry in action near Benefeld, France, on 27 November 1944. As the point reconnaissance car, in which Technician Hennelly rode, approached the town, it was hit by enemy anti-tank fire which killed the platoon leader and caused the gunner to dismount. Without hesitation he took over the gunner's position in the face of murderous enemy fire and continued to deliver telling counter-fire destroying two enemy positions and silencing others thereby permitting the entire task force to withdraw with little loss. The gallant and unselfish action displayed by Technician Hennelly reflect credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest military traditions. Entered military service from Saint Louis, Missouri.

DAVID C. KLEIN, O1 042 070, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company B, 62d Armored Infantry Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For gallantry in action near Steinfeld, Germany, on 23 March 1945. Observing an enemy machine gun nest which was firing on his platoon, Lieutenant Klein, without regard for his own safety dashed forward to successfully wipe out the enemy position. By his heroic action

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he prevented further casualties to his men and enabled a swift advance to their objective. Lieutenant Klein's sheer courage, initiative and unselfish devotion to duty reflect credit on himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York, New York.

MAURICE K. KURTZ, O12 313, Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters 14th Armored Division Artillery. For gallantry in action near Phaffenhoffen, Ringle-dorf, and Schweighausen, France, from 20 to 23 February 1945. While divisional elements held position along the static Moder River line, Colonel Kurtz courageously led his artillery elements in a continually long range battle against enemy forces. From exposed front line positions he personally supervised the observation and adjustment of deadly fire on the cleverly concealed enemy lines. Colonel Kurtz' skilled coordination of artillery fire, his great personal courage and ability contributed much to the success of the Division's mission. Entered US Military Academy from Iowa.

ERNEST C. WATSON, O 249 093, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters, 25th Tank Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For gallantry in action near Steinfeld, Germany, from 19 to 21 March 1945. In the drive against the Seigfried Line, Colonel Watson personally organized and led his elements in a well coordinated assault of the enemy's fortifications. Observing the enemy defenses and directing his forces from advanced position, he inspired the full cooperation of his men in the successful drive through the line. Colonel Watson's gallantry and steadfastness were major considerations in the success of the battalion's mission. Entered military service from Chester, South Carolina.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Division Commander to the following named individuals:

ANTHONY A. ABATO, 32 670 527, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 19th Armored Infantry Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France from 1 to 21 January 1945. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

EDWARD E. ALEXANDER, 32 985 419, Private First Class, Company B, 62d Armored Infantry Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious achievement near Steinfeld, Germany, on 22 March 1945. Entered military service from New York, New York.

NORMAN AVERY, 33 386 084, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 48th Tank Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany from 23 November 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Eastport, Maryland.

ROY A. BALLARD, 34 592 249, Corporal, (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, 19th Armored Infantry Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France from 1 to 11 January 1945. Entered military service from Gastonia, North Carolina.

FABIEN R. BARABE, 36 240 307, Private First Class, Service Company, 25th Tank Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany from 20 November 1944 to 7 May 1945. Entered military service from Mellen, Wisconsin.

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MALCOLM L. CAUSEY, JR, 14 200 481, Staff Sergeant, Battery C, 499th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious achievement near Phillipsbourg, France, on 3 January 1945. Entered military service from Furnam, South Carolina.

BILLY COHEN, 32 670 551, Sergeant, Battery C, 499th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany, from 2 December 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

LEON J. CREWS, 01 171 508, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 499th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany, from 2 December 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Lakeland, Florida.

GEORGE R. DEVASHER, 32 671 176, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 19th Armored Infantry Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany from 15 November 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Kenmore, New York.

JAMES W. DRAKE, O 544 356, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 499th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany, from 20 February 1945 to 7 May 1945. Entered military service from Phillipsburg, Ohio.

MAURICE H. ESPERSETH, 36 828 514, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 19th Armored Infantry Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany from 13 December 1944 to 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

RODMAN R. FRANK, W2 134 540, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, Army of the United States (then Technical Sergeant) 48th Tank Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in Germany from 1 April 1945 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from West Englewood, New Jersey.

RAYMOND C. GADOW, 36 286 122, Corporal, Company D, 48th Tank Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany, from 1 April 1945 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Horicon, Wisconsin.

VICTOR S. GREENEBAUM, 01 015 886, Captain, Cavalry, Headquarters, 48th Tank Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany, from 15 March 1945 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

GLEN P. HADICK, 36 398 610, Sergeant, Battery C, 499th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany from 2 December 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

WILLIAM J. HOLTAN, 01 177 008, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 499th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany from 2 December 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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LESTER HOWE, 35 147 876, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 19th Armored Infantry Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France from 2 to 12 January 1945. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

CLIFFORD E. HUCKLEBERRY, 01 171 602, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 499th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany, from 2 December 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

JAMES J. JENKINS, 39 690 216, Staff Sergeant, Battery C, 499th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany from 2 December 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Tipton, California.

ROBERT E. JONES, 33 299 762, Sergeant, Battery C, 499th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany from 2 December 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Mercer, Pennsylvania.

STEVE A KACZOR, 35 300 531, Staff Sergeant, Battery C, 499th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany from 2 December 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

NEIL C. KING, JR, 35 148 329, Sergeant, Battery C, 499th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany from 2 December 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

GORDON KRENTZ, 02 007 052, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant) Infantry, Company A, 62d Armored Infantry Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany from 20 November 1944 to 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Waupun, Wisconsin.

ESTEN LANDSGAARD, 37 250 843, Corporal, Troop C, 94th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron Mechanized, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious achievement in Germany from 7 to 17 April 1945. Entered military service from West Union, Iowa.

BEECHER L. LICKLIDER, 01 171 648, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 499th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany, from 2 December 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Grand Junction, Colorado.

CARL D. MCGUIRE, JR, 0 367 810, Major, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 500th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany from 1 December 1944 to 7 March 1945. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

ELWOOD NIXON, 01 171 700, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 499th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany, from 2 December 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Fort Smith, Arkansas.

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GENE P. RATH, 35 675 329, Corporal, Company C, 48th Tank Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany, from 1 April 1945 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Silver Grove, Kentucky.

CHARLES G. SCHUBERT, 32 235 601, Staff Sergeant, Service Company, 48th Tank Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany from 31 March 1945 to 2 May 1945. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

CHARLES E. STRATMAN, 01 011 304, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters, 62d Armored Infantry Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany from 1 November 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered military service from Racine, Wisconsin.

ELMER J. SULLENTROP, 37 077 518, Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 500th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany, from 15 November 1944 to 9 May 1945. Entered military service from Saint Louis, Missouri.

PAUL L. SUNTHIMER, 15 078 954, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 19th Armored Infantry Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany from 1 March 1945 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Stow, Ohio.

VICTOR M. WATKINS, 39 546 540, Technician Fifth Grade, 25th Tank Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany, from 16 November 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Santa Ana, California.

HERBERT J. WERNER, 37 542 511, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 25th Tank Battalion, 14th Armored Division. For meritorious service in France and Germany, from 21 November 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Wabasco, Minnesota.

IV. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded by the Division Commander to the following named individuals for wounds received in action.

HAROLD E. COLE, 38 286 577, Technician Fifth Grade, Troop A, 94th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron Mechanized, 14th Armored Division, on 19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Lampasas, Texas.

HARRY W. GILMORE, 32 664 603, Sergeant, (then Corporal), Troop A, 94th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron Mechanized, 14th Armored Division, on 18 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from South Colton, New York.

ROBERT A. JORGENSEN, 01 014 619, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant), Cavalry, Troop A, 94th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron Mechanized, 14th Armored Division, on 19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

ROBERT L. KRILL, 36 286 383, Corporal, Service Company, 62d Armored Infantry Battalion, 14th Armored Division, on 3 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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LEONARD KUBACKI, JR, 36 758 147, Private First Class, Troop A, 94th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron Mechanized, 14th Armored Division, on 18 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JOSEPH H. LLOYD, 01 015 221, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company C, 62d Armored Infantry Battalion, 14th Armored Division, on 15 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Ovapa, West Virginia.

RALEIGH M. McCLUSKEY, 36 627 782, Technician Fifth Grade, Troop A, 94th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron Mechanized, 14th Armored Division, on 7 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Carterville, Illinois.

MARTIN G. ROARK, 39 681 248, Staff Sergeant, (then Sergeant), Troop A, 94th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron Mechanized, 14th Armored Division, on 19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

FREDERICK L. STROUGH, 32 588 823, Technician Fifth Grade, Troop A, 94th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron Mechanized, 14th Armored Division, on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Theresa, New York.

HUGH W. WEST, 39 267 746, Private First Class, (then Private), Troop A, 94th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron Mechanized, 14th Armored Division, on 7 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Ontario, California.

CHARLES WHITE, JR, 01 015 130, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company C, 68th Armored Infantry Battalion, 14th Armored Division, on 15 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

JOSEPH D. ZYDIK, 32 072 824, Private First Class, (then Private), Troop E, 94th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron Mechanized, 14th Armored Division, on 20 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Somerville, New Jersey.

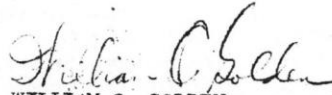
V. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE SILVER STAR (Rescission of Award)

So much of Section I, General Orders No. 69, this Headquarters, as, pertaining to the award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star to BOB E. EDWARDS, O 388 365, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters, 68th Armored Infantry Battalion, 14th Armored Division, is rescinded. (See Section I.)

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL SMITH:

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Colonel, G.S.C.,
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