

# Regimental History

135<sup>th</sup> INFANTRY

1 April to 30 April 1944

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REGIMENTAL HISTORY

for Period

1 April through 30 April 1944

## SECTION II

ASSIGNED STRENGTH OF 135TH INFANTRY  
APRIL, 1944.

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Officers</u> | <u>Warrant<br/>Officers</u> | <u>enlisted<br/>Men</u> |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 April     | 169             | 6                           | 3605                    |
| 2           | 169             | 6                           | 3630                    |
| 3           | 169             | 6                           | 3624                    |
| 4           | 170             | 6                           | 3627                    |
| 5           | 170             | 6                           | 3627                    |
| 6           | 171             | 6                           | 3606                    |
| 7           | 170             | 6                           | 3608                    |
| 8           | 170             | 6                           | 3654                    |
| 9           | 172             | 6                           | 3651                    |
| 10          | 172             | 6                           | 3629                    |
| 11          | 171             | 6                           | 3604                    |
| 12          | 175             | 6                           | 3588                    |
| 13          | 176             | 6                           | 3587                    |
| 14          | 175             | 6                           | 3587                    |
| 15          | 175             | 6                           | 3595                    |
| 16          | 175             | 6                           | 3589                    |
| 17          | 176             | 6                           | 3596                    |
| 18          | 175             | 6                           | 3646                    |
| 19          | 173             | 6                           | 3634                    |
| 20          | 173             | 6                           | 3681                    |
| 21          | 174             | 5                           | 3645                    |
| 22          | 175             | 4                           | 3696                    |
| 23          | 175             | 4                           | 3743                    |
| 24          | 175             | 4                           | 3727                    |
| 25          | 175             | 4                           | 3725                    |
| 26          | 175             | 4                           | 3732                    |
| 27          | 175             | 4                           | 3733                    |
| 28          | 175             | 4                           | 3772                    |
| 29          | 174             | 4                           | 3772                    |
| 30          | 173             | 4                           | 3770                    |

SECTION III - STATION LIST FOR MONTH OF APRIL 1944

1 April 1944

|                  |   |                           |
|------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Regt'1 Hqs       | - | ½ Mile NE of Campomorto   |
| Cannon Company   | - | 1 Mile NE of Campomorto   |
| Antitank Company | - | Campomorto                |
| Service Company  | - | Vic. of Nettuno           |
| Regt'1 Med Det   | - | Vic. of Nettuno           |
| 1st Battalion    | - | 1 Mile W-SW of Cisterna   |
| 2nd Battalion    | - | 1½ Miles NE of Campomorto |
| 3rd Battalion    | - | ½ Mile SW of Cisterna     |

27 April 1944

|                  |   |                              |
|------------------|---|------------------------------|
| Antitank Company | - | 3/4 Mile NE of Tre Cancelli  |
| Cannon Company   | - | 1½ Miles NE of Burgo Montale |

28 April 1944

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| 2nd Battalion | - | Vic. of Campomorto |
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29 April 1944

|               |   |                             |
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| 3rd Battalion | - | 2 Miles NE of Burgo Montale |
| Regt'1 Hqs    | - | 1 Mile S of LeFerriere      |

30 April 1944

|               |   |                           |
|---------------|---|---------------------------|
| 1st Battalion | - | Vic of Campomorto         |
| 2nd Battalion | - | 2 Miles N of Tre Cancelli |

SECTION IV - NARRATIVE HISTORY FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 1944

The narrative record of events for the month of April can be broken down into two categories which are as follows:

I. RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE DEFENSE OF SECTOR OF ANZIO BEACH-HEAD SOUTHWEST OF CISTERNA - (PATROLLING AND RAIDING FEATURED THE ACTIVITIES)

II. RELIEF OF RESPONSIBILITY OF DEFENSIVE SECTOR AND RE-SERVION TO DIVISION RESERVE.

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SECTION IV - NARRATIVE HISTORY FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 1944

PHASE I. \* RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE DEFENSE OF SECTOR OF ANZIO BEACH-HEAD SOUTHWEST OF CISTERNA ( PATROLLING AND RAIDING FEATURED THE ACTIVITIES). APRIL 1 TO APRIL 29

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APRIL 1

At 0030B 1 April, the Commanding Officer of the Third Battalion reported that he had contacted the commanding Officer of the 2nd Battalion, 168th Infantry. They tied in their mutual flanks 200 yards north of the limiting point between the two regiments. The CO of the 3rd Battalion also reported at this time that an enemy patrol had contacted his forward position and had been driven off.

Six to nine enemy tanks were reported seen and heard to the front of "C" Company at 0055B. Artillery was placed on them and the noises of the motors ceased. Cannon Company reported that as a result of a concentration they fired, an enemy vehicle was set afire.

At 0200 B the Commanding Officer of the 3rd Battalion reported that his "K" Company patrol had returned without making physical contact with any enemy while at 987315. The patrol reported that they heard cries of distress coming from the north. They believed it to be the result of our harassing artillery fire.

The officer in charge of a working detail from the 109th Engrs reported in to the CP at 0400B to inform the duty officer that they had installed a single apron barbed wire obstacle in front of the right platoon of "C" Company.

At 0505B the 2nd Battalion patrol report was received. The patrol went to the knocked out tanks at 991310, laid an ambush for one hour without contacting any enemy. The 2nd Battalion ambush patrol to House 18 (976307) returned with a negative report.

The Chief of Staff called the Regimental Commander at 0840B to notify him that he and the S-3 were to attend a meeting at Division Headquarters at 1930B, 1 April.

The Regimental Liaison Officer with the 180th Infantry on the left of the 135th Infantry submitted a negative report on the night's activities in that sector of 0900B.

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At 1430B the Regimental Commander left the CP to make an aerial reconnaissance of the battle area. At the same time, the Executive Officer notified the CO of Company "B", 109th Engrs. to lay a double apron fence in place of the single apron laid during the previous night in front of "C" Company. He also requested the Engrs to lay a concertina wire obstacle and booby traps in front of the double apron fence. This was to be accomplished the next night.

The Regimental Commander returned to the CP at 1620B after completing his aerial reconnaissance.

At 1830B four enemy mortars were reported by the 3rd Bn to be firing at the 168th Infantry from the vicinity of 077306. A clearance of fire into the sector of the 168th was obtained and the 3rd Battalion fired a counter mortar mission.

The Regimental Commander and the S-3 left the Regimental CP at 1825B to attend the meeting scheduled for 1930B at Division Headquarters.

Message Center notified the Regimental CP that the time was to be advanced one hour at 0200B, April 1944. All units within the Regiment were notified, and the change made.

At 2230B, the 1st Battalion reported that an estimated 50 Germans were laying wire or mines just beyond the wire in front of the 2nd Platoon of "A" Company. The fires of the Cannon Company, 125th Field Artillery, and 1st Battalion mortars were laid on the enemy.

During the previous 24 hour period, the enemy artillery fire the Regimental position was limited to normal harassing fire with no heavy concentrations reported.

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APRIL 2

At 141B, 2 April, the Regimental Commander left the CP with the CO of "C" Company, 751st Tank Bn to make a reconnaissance.

The AT platoon in position in "K" Company's sector reported receiving heavy enemy mortar fire at 1511B. Effective counter-mortar fire was placed on these enemy mortars and they were silenced.

The Assistant S-3 was directed at 1610B by Chief of Staff to report to the Division CP the morning of April 3 in order to become a member of the staff conducting the Division school.

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APRIL 3

At 0416B, April 3, the Regimental OP reported enemy flare activity and exchange of small arms fire in front of the 3rd Bn. This action was confirmed by the 3rd Battalion, who reported it to be a 6 man enemy patrol in front of "I" Company, cutting the wire and firing into "I" Company's position. The enemy was driven off.

The 1st Battalion's patrol report was submitted to Regimental Headquarters at 0416B. The patrol heard enemy voices at 962323 and at 964325. As a result of the communications with which the patrol was equipped, an artillery barrage was laid on the enemy who retaliated by firing machine guns at the patrol.

At 2300B, the 1st Battalion sent out a 5-man patrol to investigate a German seen during the afternoon on the enemy side of the wire. The patrol drew machine gun fire and returned after having had one man killed and one wounded.

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APRIL 4

At 0300B, April 1944, the 3rd Battalion reconnaissance patrol reported seeing 6-7 enemy around a machine gun position in the vicinity of 986309. The 2nd Battalion patrol to House 18 found the house unoccupied, but drew machine gun fire from an estimated range of 200 yards NE of the house.

During the afternoon the S-3 made an aerial reconnaissance of the battle area.

The 3rd Battalion had reported that they were receiving heavy mortar fire from the vicinity of 99403194. The photo interpreter, after studying that area on a photograph, discovered enemy mortar positions in an abandoned quarry. The Air OP was instructed to adjust fire on the quarry. The 125th FA fired with good effect.

During the afternoon and early evening hours, the forward positions occupied by the 1st and 3rd Battalions were subjected to an unusually heavy harassing mortar and artillery fire. Suspected mortar positions were covered by fire of the Regimental Mortars and Cannon Company, and counter-battery fire was requested from Division Artillery Headquarters on the enemy artillery positions believed to be active.

At 2005, 4 April, the Regimental Commander left the CP to make a foot reconnaissance in the 3rd Battalion area.

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APRIL 5

The Antitank Company and the 1st Battalion reported being shelled by flat trajectory weapons at 0015B. An attempt was made to get a flash azimuth for counter-battery with no success.

At 0415B the 1st Battalion reported that its patrol composed of one officer and 20 EM had advanced 200 yards up the West bank of the Bove and drew fire from machine guns on the East bank.

The 2nd Battalion reconnaissance patrol consisting of one officer and 5 men left from the C Company area and proceeded up the trail running parallel with the Mole. On the way, they found 6 German and American bodies. Turning right towards the Santa Maria they encountered a trip wire 200 yards long running perpendicular to the Santa Maria. The patrol returned through C Company at 0445B.

The patrol from the 3rd Battalion proceeded 150 yards north from the 3rd Bn position where they ran into heavy mortar fire. They saw no minefields nor were they able to take any prisoners. They returned at 0345B.

At 1300 B the Regimental Commander instructed the Battalion commanders to improve military courtesy and blackout discipline within their units.

The 751st Tank Bn. fired 75 rounds at House 27 on Center Street with good effect. This firing drew enemy counter-battery fire.

Enemy artillery and mortar fire was heavier than usual during the 24-hour period with one 50-round concentration on the 2nd Bn, and one 100-round concentration on the 3rd Bn. A rocket gun was reported firing into the 1st Battalion sector.

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APRIL 6

At 0005B, the Regimental OP reported enemy machine gun in the 3rd Bn sector. At this same time, the 1st Battalion reported receiving some mortar fire.

At 0420B, the 2nd Battalion patrol report was received. The patrol left at 2400B and went through the wire running across the road at 967317. Proceeding to House 18, they saw a silhouette of a tank or an SP gun. They saw no enemy, but drew mortar fire while at the house.

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The 1st Battalion reported that listening posts sent from "A" Company to the Mole saw enemy movement at the Mole and reported a mortar at 974322.

The 3rd Battalion reported that listening posts from Company "G" left House 30 at 2230B, crossed through the wire and proceeded due north from a distance of 400 yards where they were stopped by machine gun and mortar fire from an unknown location. They attempted to work to the right but continued to draw fire. The patrol returned at 0200B.

At 0910B the S-2 called Cannon Company requesting them to fire a small concentration of 10 to 15 rounds on 97653222, believed to be a mortar position. The 601st TD Bn reported firing 92 rounds on House 14 and 47 rounds on House "X" starting a fire in the latter.

Enemy artillery and mortar fire continued to be heavy with a concentration of 20-30 rounds reported falling in the 2nd and 3rd Battalion sectors. The 2nd and 3rd Battalions received considerable enemy small arms and machine gun fire throughout the early morning hours.

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APRIL 7

At 0340B the 1st Battalion reported that they were receiving smoke in front of "C" Company. It was believed the enemy was staging a raid and Cannon Company was asked to fire into this smoke. At 0600B the CO of 1st Battalion confirmed that "C" Company had been raided by an enemy patrol of an estimated strength of 25 men. This patrol came in along the Mole, stormed the wire in front of "C" Company, wounding one man and taking another prisoner.

The 3rd Battalion reported that "G" Company patrol consisting of one officer and 4 men left their positions at 0100B and proceeded towards House 27. They stopped 200 yards from the house, and listened and observed for one hour. They found the house to be unoccupied and then proceeded to House 28 where they saw no activity. The patrol returned at 0400B.

At 0330B, "I" Company patrol of one officer and 12 men proceeded northwest from their positions to a ditch 200 yards to their front. They laid in ambush for the enemy, but saw no activity. The patrol returned at 0530B.

"K" Company's raiding party of one officer and 12 men departed at 0345B for House 17. They encountered an enemy listening

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post 75 yards west of the house and were fired upon. The patrol continued on to the house where they engaged 20-30 enemy in a fire fight. The patrol returned at 0500B after expending all of their Ammo.

At 0655B the S-2 submitted 6 daylight harassing missions to the 125th FA Bn.

The 3rd Battalion at 1000B, while trying to rescue a soldier wounded on the preceding night's raid drew enemy small arms fire. The enemy exposed their positions and artillery was directed upon them with good effect.

At 1545B a Mark VI was observed at 000343 and was taken under fire by the 125th FA Bn. Seven enemy tanks were heard at 985331 at 2130B. Due to Corps restriction on firing, no action was taken. At 2140B the Regimental Commander alerted both TD Bns for a possible enemy dawn attack on 8 April 1944. At 2050B, more enemy tanks were reported from 2000 to 3000 yards to the north of "K" and "L" Cos. At 2104B all Bns, the Artillery Bn, Cannon Company, and the Chemical Mortar Company were instructed to turn on radio sets. At 2110B a coded message from the 2nd Battalion stated that enemy tanks were moving along the road toward "G" Company. The 1st Battalion reported at 2205B that tanks were roaming around in front of "C" and "K" Cos. Antitank Company also reported hearing tanks moving around in front of "C" and "K" Cos.

Enemy artillery was light during the morning hours, but increased in the afternoon and evening. Some S/P gun fire was reported. There was little mortar, machine gun, or small arms fire.

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APRIL 8

At 0135B, the 3rd Battalion reported 4 enemy tanks firing into their sector from 983327. These tanks were spotted and fired upon by tanks attached to the Regiment and the 125th FA.

The 2nd Battalion reported at 0330B that their patrol of one officer and four men went to within 60 yards of House 18. They found neatly dug emplacements with two helmets, two rifles and two machine guns which were apparently abandoned.

The 2nd Bn reported at 0515B that their reconnaissance patrol returned from House 16 at 0200B. The patrol found that the enemy had been digging in new positions which were unoccupied. One German was seen running from a small outhouse to House 16.

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"E" Company was reported to be back in position. The occupation was completed at 1300B.

At 0600B, the 1st Bn reported that their patrol of one officer and 20 men left at 0415B and reached the wire in front of Company "C" area. Upon getting to the wire it was too late to proceed further so they turned back. They found no booby traps or mines.

The night raid of tonight was postponed for further planning and training. It was felt that not enough stealth was being used, that the artillery covered too much ground, and that the action lasted too long.

The CO of the 1st Bn, 1st Armored Regt. visited the CP to arrange a reconnaissance party to each battalion in order to examine ground and check routes for mines and barriers in that sector.

At 1305B, It was arranged for the tanks to fire on the House at 993333 around which enemy activity had recently been observed.

The 1st Bn. reported a tank in the vicinity of House 31 and requested that artillery fire be placed on it. It was fired upon with good effect.

At 2030B the Division Commander and the G-3 visited the Regimental CP.

Five tanks were reported firing into the Regimental sector at 2150B At 2315B, what was believed to be a doodle-bug was reported in the vicinity of Bridge #5 and was taken under fire by our mortars.

The enemy's harassing artillery program did not begin until 1800B but even then was on a decreased scale when compared to that of the previous night. There was a noticeable lack of enemy small arms fire during the 24-hour period.

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APRIL 9

At 0030B the 3rd Bn reported hearing tank movement at 000310.

The 3rd Bn. CO reported at 0535B that the raiding patrol had returned without taking any prisoners. One enemy was killed and one wounded. The 3rd Bn had one man killed and seven others missing. The seven missing men were taken prisoner by the enemy.

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At 0535B the 1st Bn reported that their ambush patrol of one officer and 10 men left "C" Company area at 2200B proceeding to House 18, where they found nothing. From there they went to the Mole. The patrol returned at 0300B submitting a negative report.

There was little enemy artillery or mortar fire during the day-light hours, but the usual harassing program was carried out before dawn and after dark. Harassing enemy machine gun fire was reported in the 1st Bn area through the day.

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APRIL 10

The 3rd Bn reported a movement of enemy vehicles between 000310 and Ponte Rotta from 0115 to 0145B. At 0200B they reported hearing tanks to the northeast and northwest.

The 1st Bn reported that their patrol went through the gap in "A" Company's wire at 0130B, proceeding up the east side of the Bove for 300 yards. At this point they ran into a dug-in platoon position containing one machine gun. They found no evidence of minefields. The patrol returned at 0320B.

At 0420B, the 3rd Bn reported that the patrol sent to "G" Company sector to investigate the enemy seen there by Antitank Company returned with a negative report.

The 2nd Bn reported that their patrol of 2 officers and 3 men left "C" Company's area, proceeded to the vicinity of 968317, then turned east to the Mole. The patrol returned at 0115B and submitted a negative report.

The Commanding General of the 1st Armored Division and the Deputy Corps Commander visited the CP at 1025B. The Executive Officer left for the CP at 2100B, and the Regimental Commander left at 2145B. The Division Commander and his aide visited the CP at 2200B.

The enemy artillery and mortar fire during the 24-hour period was normal with all the battalions receiving harassing fire. The 3rd Bn received considerable small arms fire around 1600B.

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APRIL 11

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APRIL 11

The 1st Battalion reported at 0315B that there was enemy movement heard in front of the 2nd Platoon of A Company. A 9-man patrol was sent out to investigate but they encountered no enemy.

At 0345B the 1st Battalion reported that they would not blow up House 18 until the next night. The 1st Bn also reported that engineers operating in front of their sector was fired upon with one officer wounded. It was later reported that the Engr officer was killed.

At 0210B the 1st Battalion reported that their reconnaissance patrol returned. The patrol left through a gap in the 180th's sector and proceeded north until they drew fire from 956329 and 964325. They found double concertina wire in the vicinity of the Bove and NW to 961325. Enemy engineering activity was heard and enemy mines located.

Another patrol report from the 3rd Battalion was submitted at 0700B. The patrol departed from Center Street at 2400B and went to House 28 where they found an enemy machine gun 300 yards east of the house. From there they proceeded toward House 27 which they found to be occupied. They drew rifle fire from 200 yards NW of the house. The patrol returned at 0430B.

At 0700B the 3rd Bn submitted a report on a "K" Company patrol. The patrol proceeded up the Santa Maria to House 17 where they observed tanks firing on our positions; these tanks were fired upon by our artillery which caused them to withdraw. The patrol returned at 0415B at which time it was ordered out again to remain in observation during the day. They returned again at 2130B, 11 April, and reported having seen nothing but some old abandoned American equipment.

The CO of the 1st Battalion submitted a report at 1835B that increased shelling by the enemy resulted in the changing of route of Patrol #1. The 1st Battalion also stated that the enemy was smoking the front of their area.

At 2105B "C" Company reported having hit an enemy ammunition dump at 973348.

The assistant Division Commander visited the CP at 2205B.

At 2330B the 1st Battalion reported that 3 prisoners of war had been picked up in front of "A" Company wire and were being sent back.

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APRIL 12

At 0055B there was an exchange of small arms fire between the 1st Bn and the enemy.

At 0200B, the fires of Cn Co., 1st Bn Mortars, and 125th FA were laid down in front of the 1st Bn as a result of PW information that a relief was taking place in that area.

The 1st Battalion reported that their reconnaissance patrol consisting of one officer and 2 men left at 0130B to reconnoiter the area east of the Mole and as far north as possible to see if any improvement had been made on enemy positions. The patrol returned at 0130B and reported that no improvements had been made.

At 0600B the Regimental CP reported that the enemy was smoking parts of his sector and had also fired some amber and green flares. They also reported small arms and machine gun fire along the entire line.

At 1150 B the Regimental Executive Officer left to inspect S-4 and S-1 and the rear kitchen areas.

The Regimental OP reported at 1240B that House 18 had been completely destroyed and the 3rd Battalion reported that House 22 was also destroyed.

The enemy's harassing artillery fire was somewhat lighter than the night before but 5 hits were scored on the 3rd Bn's OP. There was the usual amount of small arms and machine gun fire.

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APRIL 13

At 0508B the 1st Battalion reported that their ambush patrol of one officer and 17 men departed from "A" Company at 0115B and proceeded north for 150 yards at which time they drew machine gun fire. They remained still for 30 minutes and then attempted to move forward again when they once more received fire from the same position. The ambush value of the patrol being lost, they returned at 0310B.

The 2nd Battalion reported at 0530B that their patrol consisting of one officer and 17 men departed from "K" Company area at 0115B to reconnoiter house Y for a future raid. Upon getting to within 75 yards of the house they drew machine gun fire from a small building west of the house. The patrol returned with the thought of going out again along the Santa Maria, but were unable to do so because of the approach of daylight.

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At 2055B the assistant Division Commander visited the CP.

All Battalion areas were heavily shelled throughout 24-hour period with the average number of rounds coming in at one time being 12-20 rounds. A large concentration of approximately 40 rounds of artillery landed in the vicinity of the 2nd Bn CP around 0115B and "F" Company area was bombed at the same time from the air.

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APRIL 14

At 0430B the 3rd Battalion patrol report was received. The platoon-sized patrol departed from "G" Company at 2245B and proceeded to House 27 which they found to be mined but unoccupied. They remained at the house for one hour, fired a few shots, and drew machine gun fire. The patrol returned at 0300B.

The 1st Bn reconnaissance patrol consisting of one officer and 2 men departed at 2145B and proceeded up the Mole for 350 yards. At this point they heard enemy talking and digging, and they heard enemy mortar fire. They encountered no mines but believe the enemy position to have been mined. The patrol completed its reconnaissance at 0300B.

By 0555B it was reported that the 133rd Infantry had completed its relief of the 168th Infantry on the right flank of the 135th.

Enemy artillery continued to be active during the 24-hour period with most of the concentrations being directed at the 3rd Battalion Sector. The 1st and 3rd Battalion sectors also received considerable small arms and mortar fire. Tanks and SP guns also were firing on the 3rd Battalion position.

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APRIL 15

The 3rd Battalion ambush patrol consisting of one officer and 20 men departed from "L" Company at 2130B. When they reached a point east of Hill 77, they observed a group of enemy in the vicinity of a known sniper position. The patrol contacted the enemy CP and artillery fire was placed as the enemy outnumbered our patrol. In the meantime the patrol returned for reinforcements, but upon returning they found the enemy had departed. The patrol then returned at 0430B.

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At 0110B the 1st Battalion reconnaissance patrol consisting of 2 officers and 3 men departed from "C" Company area and proceeded up the west bank of the Mole for a distance of 350 yards. They observed abandoned enemy foxholes and drew machine gun fire from due north. The patrol called for smoke and withdrew under its cover, returning at 0245B.

The 2nd Battalion submitted a report on its patrol at 0400B. The patrol, consisting of one officer and 3½ squads departed at 2200B to raid House Y and capture prisoners of war. After crossing the wire and proceeding 30 yards north parallel to the Santa Maria, the patrol split with a six man group swinging to the right to take a cove position midway between our lines and House Y. The second group swung to the left until in line with the house when they turned to the right and headed towards the house. When they came to within 75 yards from the house, they received machine gun fire. The covering force then started to move around the house and they also drew fire. The patrol leader then called for mortar fire and five hits were registered on the house, and an ammunition dump was also hit. The patrol returned at 0200B.

At 1135B the Regimental S-3 left for an aerial reconnaissance at 1400B. The Regimental Executive Officer left for the rear at the same time to make an inspection of the rear area installations of the regiment.

At 2230B Company "E" closed into their area.

Enemy harassing artillery fire fell in the 1st and 3rd Bn sector between 2400B and 0800B and was resumed again at 1400B when the 2nd and 3rd Bns received most of the concentrations. There was machine gun and small arms fire into both the 1st and 3rd Bn area. Tanks and SP guns fired into both areas.

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APRIL 16

The Regiment had six patrols out during the night, reports of which are as follows.

Patrol #1 of the 2nd Bn departed at 2100B to reconnoiter positions for a future raid. The patrol departed through a gap in "C" Company wire at 2120B and proceeded towards House 18. They located an enemy machine gun position and also investigated knocked out tanks and a personnel carrier belonging to the Germans. the patrol reported in at 2400B.

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At 2225B Patrol #2 of the 2nd Battalion consisting of one officer and 2 men left "C" Company area to reconnoiter enemy positions for a future raid. 75 yards in front of the wire, they found a German machine gun and five German bodies, and 300 yards further north they heard Germans talking to their right. The patrol returned at 2400B.

Patrol #3 composed of one officer and 3 men left "K" Company area at 2415B on a reconnaissance for a future raid. They proceeded east along the trail to Hill 77 and reported hearing enemy talking at coordinates 986313 and 985315. The patrol returned at 0215B.

Patrol #4, consisting of one officer and 2 men, departed at 2330B to reconnoiter and confirm enemy positions round House Y. They found concertina were strung about the house and also saw enemy talking south of the house. The patrol drew no fire and returned at 0300B.

At 2100B Patrol #5 a security patrol consisting of one officer and 8 men departed from Center Street and moved to the right parallel to the wire and stopping at 100 yard intervals. They returned at 0330B and submitted a negative report.

Patrol #6, another security patrol consisting of one sergeant and 8 enlisted men, departed from Center Street and patrolled along the wire as far as Custer Creek, stopping and listening as they went along. They heard and saw nothing and returned at 0430B.

At 2145B the Regimental Commander left the CP to address "E" Company in the rear training area, and the Executive Officer left for an aerial reconnaissance flight over the battle area.

The Regimental Executive Officer reported at 1515B that officers from the 1st and 3rd Bns would meet with the Regimental Commander at 1730B for conference on the company raid plan.

At 2130B the 2nd Bn reported that 7 men had been wounded at the CP when two peeps had a collision. Three of them were buried by the shelling and one was found dead. Three other men were also killed by the same shelling.

There was little artillery fire on the 1st Bn sector during the 24 hour period, but both the 2nd and 3rd Bns had received heavy concentrations. At 0920B two hits were registered on the 2nd Bn CP and at 2130B a 50-round concentration in the vicinity of the CP killed three men. The 3rd Bn reported three concentrations of over 50 shells and 2 more of 100 rounds in their sector. No casualties resulted.

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APRIL 17

The 2nd Bn reported at 0020B that E Company was moving into position for its Company Raid on an enemy strong point.

"E" Company's attack got under way at H plus one hour (0100B) and called for artillery fire at 0210B reporting that they were progressing with their mission. A diversionary attack was started at the same time. At 0225B the 3rd Bn OP reported that the only action against "E" Company were two white flares. At 0230B the Regimental Commander ordered the rate of fire to be continued another five minutes and then tapered off until the raiding company was out. The 3rd Bn reported green, white, and red enemy flares, followed by machine gun fire. At 0410B the Regimental S-3 submitted a preliminary report to G-3 on the "E" Company Raid, notifying him that no prisoners were taken.

At 0550B the 3rd Bn submitted a report on "G" Company's ambush patrol. The patrol of one officer and 10 men departed from "G" Company at 2130B, proceeded to House 27 which they found to be unoccupied and set up an ambush. They remained there until 0100B, but did not come in contact with any of the enemy.

"K" Company's patrol report was submitted at the same time. The patrol, composed of one officer and 10 men departed at 0100B to make a demonstration to aid "E" Company's raid. After passing thru "K" Company's lines, the patrol split up into two groups, one remained in front of "K" company's wire, the other proceeding west 100 yards. Both opened forth when the artillery barrage began. They returned at 0130B.

At 2110B, the 2nd Bn reported that due to a shortage of personnel the 2nd Bn OP would only be maintained during the night.

The enemy's artillery fire was more quiet then during the previous 24-hour period, but the 2nd and 3rd Bns were subjected to intermittent artillery fire. The 3rd Bn sector also received considerable machine gun fire as a result of the enemy's incessant shelling of the 2nd and 3rd Bn areas, a retaliation counter-battery shoot was requested by the Regimental S-2. This was granted by Division Artillery.

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APRIL 18

At 1130B, S-1 reported the arrival of 48 replacements

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At 1150B the 109th Engrs reported that they would be working in front of Cos A,K, and L during the night. All Bns were notified.

The Regimental Commander phoned G-3 at 1445B requesting 15 sub-machine guns for each Battalion.

At 1630B the Regimental S-2 arranged for Cannon Company, the Chemical Mortars, and the Battalion mortars to fire on certain known and photo-interpreted positions.

The Cannon Company fired with good effect at an enemy OP located at 952346.

There was little change in the enemy's artillery fire as most of the harassing fires were again directed at the 2nd and 3rd Bns. Some mortar fire fell on both the 1st and 3rd Bn areas. There was a lack of machine gun and more fire in all sectors.

At 2355B the 2nd Bn OP reported an unidentified aircraft flying over the sector.

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APRIL 19

The 1st Battalion reported that at 2245B "B" Company's patrol composed of one officer and one sergeant departed from "C" Company's sector to reconnoiter a known enemy OP. They proceeded north 150 yards where they investigated a newly dug foxhole, deep and large enough for two men to stand in. The patrol returned at 0330B.

The 2nd Battalion patrol of one officer and 10 men departed from "C" Company at 2300B to ambush enemy in the vicinity of the knocked out tanks north of House 18. While proceeding to House 18, they observed machine gun fire in the vicinity of House Y, upon getting within 100 yards NE of House 18 they set up an ambush. The patrol neither heard nor saw any enemy. They returned at 0300B.

At 2340B the 3rd Battalion patrol of one officer and his platoon departed from K Company to raid known enemy positions at House Y and capture enemy prisoners and equipment. The base of fire squad went to a point 100 yards due east of House Y remaining there throughout the raid. The maneuvering elements proceeded to the wire NW of the house at which point one man accidentally fired a shot, alerting the enemy. Three men got to the barbed wire when the enemy fired on them with two machine guns. The patrol returned fire, and then the enemy threw a smoke grenade. As this was the signal for withdrawal, the base of fire squad

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began to withdraw. The patrol leader was then forced to throw his smoke grenade and thereby withdraw the rest of the patrol. The patrol returned with two casualties at 0400B.

At 0630B it was reported that the enemy fired propaganda leaflets into the L Company sector and also into the 1st Battalion area. The 3rd Battalion reported a clash between an enemy patrol of six men and a squad outpost of Company I. One German was killed and one believed to be wounded.

At 1025B the G-3 requested a complete overlay showing the dispositions of the Regiment.

Antitank Company position in "A" Company sector received mortar fire from House Y at 1920B. The mortar quieted with counter mortar and artillery fire.

The enemy's artillery fire dropped off during the 24-hour period, but there seemed to be an increase in his mortar fire. The 3rd Battalion received 2 concentrations of 20 rounds at 0030B and the 1st Battalion received 2 concentrations in the afternoon one of which resulted in two casualties.

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APRIL 20

At 0415B the 2nd Battalion reported that Patrol #2 consisting of one officer and 3 men departed from C Company on a reconnaissance of known enemy position at 975319, at 2130B. The patrol proceeded north to House 18 and then north to the knocked out tanks. 50 yards north of the tanks, they turned NW and followed the trail to 975320 where they got into a foxhole and observed. They sighted two enemy machine guns and heard reports of mortar fire. The patrol returned at 2415B.

Patrol #3 from the 3rd Battalion composed of one officer and 2 men, departed from "G" Company at 2330B to reconnoiter Houses #25 and #26 for a platoon raid. Upon reaching House #28 they stopped and laid plans for a base of fire element to be established there. The mission being accomplished, the patrol returned at 0330B.

The deputy Corps Commander visited the CP at 1305B and left at 1355B.

At 1545B the Regimental Executive Officer and the S-2 departed from the CP for the rear area. The Executive Officer went to inspect the Battalion kitchen areas, and the S-2 went to Division Hqs..

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Enemy artillery fire continued to be lighter than usual although the 2nd Bn sector was harassed continually from 1500B to 2400B. The 3rd Bn received some mortar and machine gun fire.

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APRIL 21

At 0330B the 3rd Battalion reported that an enemy patrol advanced to the wire on the right of G Company on the Regimental boundary. The patrol was fired upon by the 100th Infantry Bn. 133rd Infantry.

At 1745B the mortars of the Regiment, the Cannon Company, and the 125th FA fired at TOT on a known enemy strong point with good effect reported by the 3rd Bn.

An unidentified airplane flew over the sector at 2342B.

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APRIL 22

At 0450B the 1st Battalion reported that Patrol #1, composed of one officer and two sergeants left for a reconnaissance of known enemy positions at 963325 for a future raid. The patrol found no ground that would be a tank barrier and located a position where a tank would have partial defilade. They encountered no enemy activity. The patrol returned at 0235B.

Patrol # 2 consisting of one officer and 3 men, left C Company at 2330B and proceeded to House 18. As they moved Northeast of the house, they received machine gun fire from an enemy outpost. No enemy wire or mines were encountered. The patrol returned along the same route at 0300B.

At 2400B Patrol #3, consisting of one officer and 3 men left Company G and proceeded to a point 30 yards north of House 28. At this time the enemy fired flares, but the patrol drew no fire. Withdrawing along Center Street opposite House 28 they found a small ditch running south and 2 strands of wire running west from the House to the ditch. The patrol returned at 0315B.

At 1610B the Regimental Commander and Executive Officer went to the OP to watch a TOT ~~shoot~~ fired by the Regimental Weapons on enemy positions in the Bove. They returned at 1655B. At 1700B the S-2 reported that there had been considerable motor movement in the enemy rear areas facing our sector. All units were put on the alert and requested to report all unusual activity.

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Between 1500B and 2000B enemy activity was observed at 964363 and 990307. Artillery and mortar fire were placed on these positions

At 2350B the 1st Battalion patrol was cancelled because of excessive alertness of the enemy and continuous firing of mortars and machine guns prior to the patrol's starting time.

Enemy artillery fire was again very light with concentrations averaging 30 rounds being fired into the sector. There was one mortar concentration of 30 rounds, that was received in the 1st Battalion sector. The 1st Bn had one man killed and five wounded at 2135B as a result of a mortar and SP gun barrage.

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APRIL 23

At 0040B the 3rd Battalion reported capturing a prisoner of war at 984311. Two other enemy were also fired on, the results of which were unknown.

Patrol #3 from the 2nd Battalion, consisting of one officer and 2 men departed at 2315B for a reconnaissance of enemy positions for a future raid. They departed from K Company and proceeded along the branch of the Santa Maria at 981317 where they heard the enemy digging in 50 yards northwest of House Y. They encountered no enemy mines or wire in the vicinity. The patrol returned at 0130B.

At 2300B the Patrol #6 from the 2nd Battalion, consisting of one officer and 2 men, departed from Company C on a reconnaissance of enemy positions at 975319. Upon reaching this location they encountered a single concertina wire and two trip wires 2 to 7 inches above the ground. Enemy tanks were seen in the distance and enemy were heard talking. The patrol returned at 1300B.

The 3rd Battalion patrol consisting of one officer and 2 men left at 0130B to examine drainage ditches in front of K Company. All the ditches were found to be passable for tanks, except one ditch at 985385. The patrol returned at 0330B. Patrols #1,2, 4 and 5 were cancelled.

At 2050B the 2nd Bn OP reported an unidentified plane flying parallel to the front lines. This was believed to be a night reconnaissance plane.

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APRIL 24

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At 0330B the 1st Battalion reported that their patrol, consisting of one officer and 2 men, departed from A Company to reconnoiter an enemy position at 963325. The patrol reported friendly concertina wire and antitank mines in the vicinity of 964321 but found no enemy wire or mines. They found no terrain that would be a tank barrier. The patrol returned at 0400B.

At 0330B the 2nd Battalion submitted a report on the patrol consisting of one officer and 30 men, whose mission was to capture prisoners and raid a mortar position at 973322. The patrol left the C Company area at 2400B and advanced past House 18 enroute to its objective. Two squads went ~~in~~ into position at 973322 and 976319 and the assault squad continued its advance toward the objective. When the squad was just short of the objective the enemy fired a flare causing one man to fire on the objective. Moving forward another 20 yards they noticed a heavy black smoke. At this time the squad leader withdrew his squad, the objective never being assaulted. The patrol returned at 0315B.

At 2330B the 3rd Battalion patrol of one officer and 2 men departed from K Company to reconnoiter a known enemy position in the vicinity of 987315. Proceeding toward the objective, they found new concertina wire in the vicinity of House Y and also observed the firing of enemy flares. They heard enemy personnel 50 yards north of the objective and remained in observation for 45 minutes before returning at 0215B.

At 0905B three Germans were observed in a dugout at 967339. Cannon Company scored three near hits when firing on them.

At 1315B the 1st Battalion reported that C Company had taken a prisoner who had walked into their left platoon position and deserted.

At 1425B the Regimental Commander directed that all Battalions were to make more use of the supporting artillery than in the past, for his use of the Regimental Cannon Company.

The S-2 received information concerning the enemy's flare signals at 1850B and passed it on to the Battalions.

Enemy artillery was inactive with only a few shells landing in the regimental sector during the 24 hour period. There was no small arms or machine gun fire.

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APRIL 25

Patrol #1 of the 1st Battalion composed of one officer and

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4 men departed at 2030B to reconnoiter for a future raid on enemy outpost at 968319. The patrol made a reconnaissance of the immediate ground for positions of attacking elements from 968316, marking out positions to be used for all elements. The patrol returned at 0030B.

Patrol #2 from the 2nd Battalion departed at 2235B, composed of one officer and 3 men, on a reconnaissance of enemy positions in the vicinity of 973332. The patrol proceeded north to House Y and then beyond the knocked out tanks in the vicinity of 976318 where they remained in observation for three hours. They neither saw nor heard any enemy activity. The patrol returned at 0305B.

At 2400B Patrol #3 from the 3rd Battalion, consisting of one officer and 3 men, went through G Company outpost on a reconnaissance of known enemy positions in the vicinity of 999307. The patrol saw a rifleman in the vicinity of House #27 and 2 more enemy 50 yards from House 28. Enemy movements were also observed around House 25. The patrol returned at 0250B.

At 0935B the Regimental Executive Officer reported that Cannon Company would furnish supporting fires for the Charlie Plan and the H-Hour would be 0525B, 25 April.

At 1855B the 1st Battalion reported that they had been paying particular attention to the enemy's flare activity in order to confirm the report received by them on the enemy's flare signals. They confirmed the authenticity of the report.

Enemy artillery fire was again light with only a few small concentrations averaging 10 rounds falling on the battalion sectors. There was no incoming mortar, machine gun, or small arms fire reported during the daylight hours.

Three TOT shoots were held during the day using the fires of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Bn mortars, the Cannon Company, and Company B, 84 Cml Bn. Five rounds per gun were fired in each TOT.

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APRIL 26

At 1805B the Regimental OP reported seeing five enemy in a dugout at 976333. They were taken under fire by 81MM mortars. They also observed an enemy work party at 978344 and directed the fire of the 125th FA on the target.

At 0300B the F Company platoon returned from its raid on a known enemy mortar position. The patrol encountered an enemy patrol on the east bank of the Mole, engaging them in a fire fight. One enemy was known to have been killed and an unknown number wounded. Our patrol had one wounded and 2 men missing.

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At 0540B the 3rd Battalion enacted the Charlie Plan which was a tank and infantry raid on House Y, consisting of one platoon of infantry supported by 5 tanks. The raid jumped off at 0540B. One tank threw off a track at the start and had to remain there. Other four tanks passed through K Co wire which was cut by P & A platoon on left boundary of battalion, and followed engineer tape line by P & A. Base tank turned right to take up base of fire. The other three tanks continued on toward objective and opened fire with .30 and .50 cal. machine guns and 75mm cannon on the house. The second tank struck a shell crater and bogged down, knocking one man off who quickly regained his position. The tank then pulled out and continued on toward objective. The first tank ran into wire 50 yards from house, proceeded to 10 yards inside of wire where it struck an AT mine which incapacitated tank. Tank continued to fire .30 and 50 cal. machine guns on house. Men on KO'd tank quickly dismounted and followed other tanks to assault. Just as men arrived at house, enemy mortar fire started falling around house. Men closed on house, made a thorough search of house and surroundings, killing two Germans and capturing six. Tanks gave overhead fire support until men reached house, then lifted. The right and left tanks then engaged targets previously planned. Men at house received one burst of machine gun fire from northwest 75 yards away. Assault squad returned to Santa Maria with PWs and passed through gap in wire used for outgoing route. Flares were then fired from K Co OP (by? - to?) Blue CO which was the prearranged signal that troops were clear. Tanks then returned through gap in wire after firing KO'd tank.

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PHASE II: RELIEF OF RESPONSIBILITY OF DEFENSIVE SECTOR AND REVERSION TO DIVISION RESERVE.

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### APRIL 27

At 0230B the relief of the 135th Infantry by the 168th Infantry was initiated when the Antitank Company of the 168th relieved the Antitank Company of the 135th. The Antitank Company 135th, closed into the rear reserve area at 0250B.

The Commanding Officer of the 3rd Battalion called the Regimental Commander at 1410B, requesting that he be permitted to truck his battalion to their reserve area upon completion of the relief by the 168th infantry rather than marching to the new area. The request was granted and transportation arranged for by the Regimental TO.

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At 2400 B Cannon Company reported to the Regimental S-3 that their relief by the Cannon Company 168th, was completed without incident.

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APRIL 28

At 0100B the 3rd Battalion of the 168th Infantry completed the relief of the 2nd Battalion, 135th Infantry. One man from the 168th was wounded during the relief by enemy artillery. The 2nd Battalion closed into their CP at 0105B, and closed into their new area at 0305B.

The 1st Bn patrol which had the mission of setting an ambush at 972317 returned at 0330B. The patrol reached 972317 and began setting up an ambush. While in the process, it drew machine gun fire from House 18, 969319, and from the Mole. A fire fight resulted and the patrol had one man killed and one man wounded. One enemy was known to have been killed.

The patrol from the 1st Bn to 968318 returned with a negative report. they heard the fire fight in which the above mentioned patrol was engaged.

The 3rd Bn put out security patrol to screen the relief of G Company of the 2nd Bn.

At 1000B G-3 called to inform the regiment that the Division Commander desired all units to be especially on the alert due to a change in the attitude of the enemy. Along the entire front, German resistance was heavy against all patrols sent out.

At 1155B, Enemy personnel observed the the Regimental OP were then under fire by the 125th FA.

The deputy Corps Commander visited the CP at 1600B and left at 1650B.

Out side of the Patrol reports all units submitted negative reports during the 24 hour period. The only shelling report submitted was one concerning 4 shells which landed in the 3rd Bn sector.

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APRIL 29

At 0505B the 3rd Battalion reported that they had closed in- to their new areas at 0505B, having been relieved by the 2nd Bn.

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168th Infantry. Screening patrol for security purposes during the relief featured the only patrolling activity. The command of the sector passed to the 168th Infantry at 0100B.

G-3 called at 0900B to request information from the 135th Infantry on how to use a tank and infantry coordinated raid. A narrative and sketches based on the Charlie Plan were requested.

At 1400B the Regimental Executive Officer inspected facilities for the school and range which the 135th was to occupy and use while in Division reserve upon the completion of the relief.

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APRIL 30

At 0500B the 1st Battalion reported that they had been relieved by the 1st Battalion, 168th Infantry, at 0010B with no incident. They closed in their new area at 0300B. The 2nd Bn moved to the Division School Area and closed at 0005B with no casualties.

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SECTION V: COMMANDING OFFICERS IN ENCLOSUREMENTS

A. Commanding Officers and Staff Officers, On 1 April 1944

|                                 |                                |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Regimental Commander            | Lt. Col. Harry W. Sweeting     |
| Executive Officer               | Lt. Col. Charles B. Everest    |
| S-4                             | Major Roland Anderson          |
| S-3                             | Major Donald C. Landon         |
| S-2                             | Capt. Louis H. Hauser          |
| S-1                             | Capt. Phineas F. Smith         |
| Regimental Surgeon              | Capt. Vilhelm M. Johnson       |
| Commanding Headquarters Company | Capt. Keith O. VanKrevelen     |
| " Service Company               | Capt. Allen P. Crowley         |
| " Antitank Company              | Capt. Jack K. White            |
| " Cannon Company                | Capt. Paul W. Blommen          |
| " Medical Detachment            | Capt. Carl J. Gumbert          |
| " 1st Battalion                 | Lt. Col. Ray J. Erickson       |
| Executive Officer               | Capt. Arnold N. Brandt         |
| S-3                             | Capt. Donald J. Dodge          |
| Commanding Headquarters Company | 1st Lt. Anthony F. Von Rude    |
| " Company "A"                   | 1st Lt. Robert N. Stokes       |
| " Company "B"                   | Capt. William E. Smith         |
| " Company "C"                   | 1st Lt. George L. Lambert      |
| " Company "D"                   | 1st Lt. Herbert E. Groth       |
| " 2nd Battalion                 | Lt. Col. Simon Castille        |
| Executive Officer               | Major Robert E. McGraw         |
| S-3                             | Capt. Richard H. Sugars        |
| Commanding Headquarters Company | Capt. Joel M. Lewison          |
| " Company "E"                   | Capt. Joe H. Kimble            |
| " Company "F"                   | Capt. Alden S. Lance           |
| " Company "G"                   | Capt. George E. Combs          |
| " Company "H"                   | Capt. Einer M. Lund            |
| " 3rd Battalion                 | Lt. Col. Fillmore K. Mearns    |
| Executive Officer               | Capt. Harry Y. McSween         |
| S-3                             | Capt. John L. Bridgeman        |
| Commanding Headquarters Company | 1st Lt. Vincent P. DeAugustine |
| " Company "I"                   | 1st Lt. Donovan C. Griffin     |
| " Company "K"                   | 1st Lt. Luther L. Doty         |
| " Company "L"                   | 1st Lt. Spencer W. Jones       |
| " Company "M"                   | 1st Lt. John Scaffi            |

B. Changes in Commanding Officers and Staff Officers during month of April

1 April 1944

1. Lt. Col. Simon Castille, Commanding 2nd Battalion evacuated sick.

8 April 1944

1. Capt. Vilhelm M. Johnson, Regimental Surgeon, promoted to Major per letter Headquarters NATOUSA.

SECTION V: Commanding Officers in Engagements continued.

8 April 1944 (Continued)

2. Lt. Col. Simon Castille returned to duty as Commanding Officer, 2nd Battalion.
3. Capt. William E. Smith, Commanding Company "B" evacuated sick.
4. 1st Lt. Richard R. Griffin assigned Commanding Officer Company "B".

14 April 1944

1. Major Donald C. Landon, Regimental S-3, transferred to PBS awaiting orders for trans-shipment to United States under rotation plan.
2. Major Fred H. Lippucci assigned per 34th Division Special O. assigned as Regimental S-3.

19 April 1944

1. Lt. Col. Charles B. Everest, Executive Officer, transferred to PBS awaiting orders for trans-shipment to United States under rotation plan.
2. Lt. Col. John J. Phelan, assigned per 34th Division Special O. assigned as Executive Officer.

24 April 1944

1. Capt. George E. Combs, Commanding Officer Company "G", evacuated sick.

28 April 1944

1. 1st Lt. Anthony F. Von Ruden, Commanding Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, killed in action.

SECTION VI

LOSSES IN ACTION

A. SUMMARY OF LOSSES IN ITALIAN CAMPAIGN (1 April through 30 April 1944.)

|                    | <u>OFFICERS</u> | <u>WARRANT OFFICERS</u> | <u>ENLISTED MEN</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Killed in Action:  | 1               | 0                       | 33                  |
| Wounded in Action: | 7               | 0                       | 103                 |
| Captured:          | 0               | 0                       | 1                   |
| Missing in Action: | 0               | 0                       | 17                  |

SECTION VII - CITATIONS AND AWARDS, 1 April Through 30 April 1944.

A. THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER AND ENLISTED MEN HAVE BEEN DECORATED AS INDICATED BELOW:

1. SILVER STAR

a. DONALD C. LANDON, 0317715, Major, Headquarters 2nd Battalion, 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on the 12th day of January 1944 in the vicinity of Cevaro, Italy. On the second day of the attack on Hill 189, the enemy was still holding fast and inflicting evere casualties on our troops. Major Landon moved his Observation Post to the foremost elements of the battalion to better direct the attack, although his position was, less than 200 yards from enemy Riflemen. Despite the fact that Major Landon's own position was receiving heavy artillery and accurate sniper fire, he unhesitatingly exposed himself and personally directed the fire of a machine gun platoon. Under his skillful and inspiring leadership, a base of fire was laid on the enemy positions with such intensity and accuracy that the leading elements of the Battalion were able to continue and successfully take their objective. Major Landon's complete disregard for his own personal safety together with his inspiring and skillful leadership is exemplary and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered service from Albert Lea, Minnesota.

b. OWEN W. CAMPBEL, 20707265, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 3rd Battalion, 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 4 Feb. 1944 on Hill 706 near Cassino, Italy. When enemy at about 0200 hours suddenly opened up with a savage and severe concentration of artillery mortar, and nebelwerfer fire, at least twenty-two men of Company "I" were wounded in the brief space of five minutes. While others sought any available cover, T-5 Campbell, medical aideman, calmly and coolly, with utter disregard for his own life, began moving about openly, giving aid to all men whose moans and cries for help, discerned through the noise of the shelling guided him to them. Such devotion to duty and heroism in the face of savage enemy shelling was a real inspiration to the entire company and is a credit to the Armed Forces of the U.S. Entered service from Minneapolis, Minn.

c. ROY G. REESE, 20700169, Tech. Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 3rd Battalion, 135th Inf. Regiment, for gallantry in action on the night of 26 Jan. 1944 and the morning of 27 Jan. 1944 near LePatinelle and Cassino, Italy. When the Co. to which he was attached as medical aide man was subjected to an enemy artillery barrage, T/5 Reese immediately fell out of the moving column to render first aid to two wounded men; and then instead of seeking safety for himself when he had finished, T/5 Reese stayed with the wounded, under fire, to insure their prompt evacuation. On the following morning, T/5 Reese twice went from his place of cover to give aid under enemy fire, once carrying back to a place of

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comparative safety a very seriously wounded man in order that the man might more quickly be evacuated. Such devotion to duty was an inspiration to the entire company and is a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered Service from Council Bluffs, Iowa.

d. DONALD C. PEEL, 39906064, Sgt. Hqs. Company 2nd Battalion, 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 7 February 1944 near Cassino, Italy. When a strong enemy counterattack was launched against the 2nd Bn, 135th Inf., then on Hill 593, the artillery and mortar preparation laid down by the enemy knocked out the telephone wire extending from the Battalion CP to the forward companies. Sgt. Peel volunteered to go out and repair the line even though he had to crawl on his stomach while he made 8 splices under enemy sniper and MG fire. The fact that others had been killed and wounded there did not deter him in his work, because he kept communications intact, supply and evacuation was speeded up and the 2nd Bn. was able to hold its position. SGT. Peel's vigilance and heroic work were exemplary and a credit to the Armed Forces of the U.S. Entered Service from Ogden, Utah.

e. REED H. SLOAN, 34762844, Pvt. Med. Det., 135th Inf. Regiment. For gallantry in action on 5 Feb. 1944 on Hill 706, near Cassino, Italy, when as a medical aide man, he was attached to a machine gun platoon in support of the defensive positions of the 3rd Bn. At 1430 hours the enemy began an intense concentration of shellfire which was the prelude to a counterattack which later proved to be the most determined launched by the enemy in this sector. The platoon was left without a leader when the last remaining non-com was wounded, and the already tired men became extremely disorganized in the face of intense shellfire and the approaching enemy. While others sought cover or tended to seek safety, in the rear, Pvt. Sloan gallantly and with complete disregard for his own safety, calmly went about among the wounded of the platoon giving necessary aid. When he finished with the men of his platoon, he went to an adjoining unit, and still braving the increasing small arms and shell fire of the enemy, continued on his works of mercy. This extreme courage was inspiration to the disorganized men and materially added to the efforts of another soldier in getting them organized and back to their guns to break the crucial counter-attack. Such devotion to duty and gallantry in action is a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered service from Resaca, Georgia.

2. Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star

a. REED H. SLOAN, 34762844, Pvt. Med. Det., 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 12 Feb. 1944, near Cassino, Italy. When the 3rd Bn. was subjected to a fierce and savage concentration of enemy shell fire of all types that lasted over three hours without decreasing in intensity, Pvt. Sloan, a medical

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aid man, worked on aiding wounded, scorning the savage enemy fire, During the barrage he was rendered unconscious by concussion from a close exploding shell while aiding a wounded comrade. After a half hour he regained consciousness, and then without thought for self, he went on aiding wounded, still ignoring the concentrated fire. Such devotion to duty and disregard of self in the face of enemy shell fire has been an inspiration to his company and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered Service from Reseca, Georgia.

### 3. Bronze Star

A. EDWARD J. HAMMES, 37044944, Pvt., Ser. Co., 135th Inf. Regiment. For gallant action in direct support of combat operations on the afternoon of 6 Feb. 1944 on the road on the West bank of the Rapido River near Cassino, Italy. Pvt. Hammes, driving a  $\frac{1}{2}$  ton vehicle, came to a point on the road where a narrow by-pass was blocked by a  $\frac{1}{2}$  ton vehicle and a  $1\frac{1}{2}$  ton vehicle. Both vehicles had been abandoned by their drivers in the face of enemy artillery fire which was ranging in very accurately on the by-pass, and traffic coming from both directions was becoming congested, thus presenting more targets. Without regard for his own safety, Pvt. Hammes braved the enemy fire, and working quickly and coolly, drove out the blocking vehicles so that traffic could proceed without further losses. This gallant action is a credit to the Armed Forces of the U.S. Entered Service from Harper, Iowa

B. THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS AND ENLISTED MEN HAVE BEEN RECOMMENDED FOR DECORATIONS AND AWARDS AS INDICATED BELOW:

#### 1. Distinguished Service Cross

a. ALDEN J. LANCE, 01290440, Capt., Co. "F", 135th Inf. Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action, on 3 Feb. 1944 near Cassino, Italy. During the morning of 3 Feb. 1944 the enemy counterattacked in strength. Capt. Lance unhesitatingly exposed himself to withering machine gun fire to better direct his company. As the enemy attack increased in intensity, Co. "F" was forced back about 200 yards by hand grenades. Capt. Lance, determined to give no further, stemmed the retreat and personally directed the activities of individual members of his company, as well as those of a platoon of another company, so courageously that the lost ground was immediately retaken with great loss to the enemy. During the entire attack, Capt. Lance kept constantly in telephone communication with the Bn and Regimental CO's moving his telephone about the area, and relaying a description of the action. During subsequent operations, Capt. Lance further distinguished himself by attending to evacuation of wounded, adjusting artillery fire from positions in front of our lines while under fire, and by example, giving aid to all those who came in contact

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with him the will to carry the fight to the enemy. The courage, leadership and initiative displayed by Capt. Lance, in the face of grave dangers, set an inspiring example to his men and reflects the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered Service from Fillmore, Missouri.

b. SYLVESTER D. SINGLESTAD, 20708561, Tech. Sgt., Co. "F" 135th Infantry Regiment. For extraordinary heroism in action on 4 Feb. 1944 near Cairo, Italy. During a strong enemy counter-attack, T/Sgt Singlestad was cut off from the rest of his company. In the hand to hand struggle which followed T/Sgt Singlestad fought his way free by using hand grenades and firing his rifle until his ammunition was exhausted. Then, moving behind the enemy, using his rifle as a club, he was able to return to his commanding officers with information of the enemy's strength and disposition. The information which he gave enabled the company commander to direct mortar and artillery fire on the enemy with deadly effect. The information also made it possible to use the reserves in a manner which successfully repulsed the enemy. After reporting to his commanding officer T/Sgt Singlestad then returned to his men under enemy machine gun and rifle fire, where he reorganized his platoon and carried on the direction of the fire fight. The calmness and resourcefulness displayed by T/Sgt Singlestad set an inspiring example for his men and reflects the highest traditions of the American fighting man. Entered service from Waseca, Minnesota.

c. GEORGE S. PAUDEL, 12006999, Pvt. Co. "C", 135th Infantry Regiment. For extraordinary heroism in action on 25 Jan. 1944 in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy. Pvt. Paudel was a member of a ten-man daylight patrol dispatched to probe enemy positions, drawing fire and locating gun positions, prior to an attack on these strong points. The patrol was divided into two parts, one which crossed the road to do the actual probing, while the other remained as a covering party. As the first group moved into enemy territory it met strong enemy resistance in the form of intense machine gun and accurate sniper fire. Pvt. Kurtovich, a scout leading this group, was wounded in the stomach by a snipers bullet. He lay at the mercy of the enemy in the open flat terrain exposed to the withering machine gun and deadly sniper fire. Seeing his comrade fall, Pvt. Paudel, a member of the covering force, without a moments hesitation left the safety of his cover and crawled forward 200 yards under excellent enemy observation toward the wounded man. While inching forward he was fired upon and wounded in the nose. Undaunted he continued on his perilous journey, but before reaching the injured man he was again taken under enemy fire and wounded in the forearm. Slowly he dragged the prostrate soldier and himself across the open fire swept field; up the steep embankment, across the bullet swept road into friendly hands. Enemy observation being excellent, the two men could not be evacuated in day-

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light. as the balance of the patrol withdrew with their mission successfully completed, Pvt. Paudel stood vigil over his comrade until darkness permitted evacuation by litter squads. Pvt. Paudel's indomitable courage and intrepid performance in the face of grave danger is exemplary of the excellent qualities of the American soldier. Entered Service from Brooklyn, New York.

2. Silver Star

a. GERHARDT W. HAERLE, 20707125, Pvt. Hq. Co., 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 14 April 1944 in the vicinity of Cisterna, Italy. While the enemy was shelling the immediate vicinity of the Regimental OP, Pvt. Haerle, acting entirely on his own initiative, left his place of cover and went to the observation post inside a nearby building. In utter disregard of the intense shell fire which twice scored direct hits on the building, Pvt. Haerle remained at his self appointed post, located the position of the enemy guns, and then directed counter-battery fire until the enemy guns were silenced. This voluntary act of heroism and determination to seek out and destroy the enemy regardless of cost to self reflects credit upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered Service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

b. CASMER TORRICE, 36127630, (?) S/Sgt. Co. "L" Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 3 April 1944 in the vicinity of Cisterna, Italy. A group of men of Co. "L" in going forward from the company defensive position to set up an OP, were pinned down and one man wounded. S/Sgt Torrice, a squad leader, acting on his own initiative, first attempted to work reflemen into position to fire on the enemy snipers and then cover the wounded man and the medical man who had gone out under enemy observation to give the wounded man the necessary attention. When he saw that the aid man would be unable to remove the wounded man from the exposed area, S/Sgt Torrice moved out of his place of cover into direct observation of the sniping enemy to assist the aid man. As he reached the wounded man, S/Sgt Torrice was himself wounded, but disregarded his own welfare, he continued on at his self-appointed task. This voluntary exposure of self to aid a wounded man was an inspiration to the entire company and is a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered Service from Detroit, Michigan.

c. CHARLES W. SHAFFER, 33562236, T/5, Med. Det., 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 3 April 1944 in the vicinity of Cisterna, Italy. When one man of the company to which he was attached as a medical aid man was wounded and lying in full view of the enemy, T/5 Shaffer, without regard for his own safety, disregarded the fire of enemy snipers and went forward to give the man necessary aid. Working quickly and efficiently he rendered temporary first aid, and then, with the assistance of a fellow soldier, aided in the evacuation of the wounded comrade. This

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display of courage and deep devotion to duty was an inspiration to the entire company and is a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered Service from Gwynn Oak Station, Maryland.

3. Bronze Star

a. JOHN L. DOYLE, 37028695, T/Sgt, Co. "L", 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1944 in the vicinity of Cisterna, Italy. Three men of his company had volunteered to go forward of the company lines, out over flat and open terrain, to litter back a man who had been wounded. Enemy sniper fire was constant, so, in order to give the men some concealment, T/Sgt Doyle acting upon his own initiative, took five smoke grenades and crawled forward out under direct observation to create a smoke screen for the litter bearers. To make the screen effective it was necessary that he venture very far forward at every possible moment under constant danger of being taken under enemy fire. Largely through his efforts the evacuation of the wounded man was carried out without further casualties. This act of heroism in the face of the enemy reflects credit upon his company and is a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered Service from Bow Bells, North Dakota.

b. ROBERT A. COSTINE, 01296325, 2nd Lt., Co. "M", 135th Inf. Regiment.

MARVIN E. CASHENS, 37037472, S/Sgt. Co. "M", 135th Inf. Regiment.

For heroic achievement in action on the night of 17 April 1944 in the vicinity of Citerna, Italy. Enemy artillery in shelling the mortar positions of their company succeeded in making a direct hit on a mortar emplacement and the ammunition near the emplacement was set afire. Realizing that the fire would serve to attract more enemy fire and thus endanger positions, personnel, and stored ammunition in the whole area, 2nd Lt. Costine, and S/Sgt Cashens left their place of cover in the face of continuous enemy shell fire and worked to extinguish the burning ammo. Although it was necessary that they work in very close to the exploding ammunition to get dirt on it, they continued at their task until the fire was extinguished. This heroic act drew the admiration of their entire platoon and reflects credit on the Armed Forces of the United States.

# Regimental History

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REGIMENTAL HISTORY

Month of

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SECTION II

ASSIGNED STRENGTH OF 135TH INFANTRY,  
MAY, 1944.

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Officers</u> | <u>Warrant Officers</u> | <u>Enlisted Men</u> |
|-------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 May       | 174             | 5                       | 3773                |
| 2           | 174             | 5                       | 3782                |
| 3           | 175             | 5                       | 3779                |
| 4           | 176             | 5                       | 3794                |
| 5           | 175             | 5                       | 3789                |
| 6           | 174             | 5                       | 3788                |
| 7           | 174             | 5                       | 3784                |
| 8           | 174             | 5                       | 3769                |
| 9           | 174             | 5                       | 3761                |
| 10          | 174             | 5                       | 3810                |
| 11          | 173             | 5                       | 3804                |
| 12          | 173             | 5                       | 3803                |
| 13          | 174             | 5                       | 3795                |
| 14          | 174             | 5                       | 3789                |
| 15          | 176             | 5                       | 3791                |
| 16          | 176             | 5                       | 3801                |
| 17          | 176             | 5                       | 3792                |
| 18          | 177             | 5                       | 3806                |
| 19          | 177             | 5                       | 3811                |
| 20          | 178             | 5                       | 3811                |
| 21          | 178             | 5                       | 3802                |
| 22          | 178             | 5                       | 3787                |
| 23          | 178             | 5                       | 3775                |
| 24          | 178             | 5                       | 3778                |
| 25          | 176             | 5                       | 3771                |
| 26          | 176             | 5                       | 3757                |
| 27          | 175             | 5                       | 3719                |
| 28          | 175             | 5                       | 3713                |
| 29          | 172             | 5                       | 3798                |
| 30          | 172             | 5                       | 3793                |
| 31          | 172             | 5                       | 3787                |

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## SECTION III - SITUATION LIST FOR MONTH OF MAY 1944

1 May 1944

|                  |   |          |                     |
|------------------|---|----------|---------------------|
| Regt'1 Hqs       | - | (955228) | Vic. of Le Ferriere |
| Headquarters Co. | - | (897198) | Vic. of Nettuno     |
| Service Co.      | - | (897198) | " " "               |
| Antitank Co.     | - | (955217) | Vic. of Le Ferriere |
| Cannon Co.       | - | (998245) | Vic. of Campomorto  |
| Regt'1 Med Det   | - | (955228) | Vic. of Le Ferriere |
| 1st Battalion    | - | (946257) | " " " "             |
| 2nd Battalion    | - | (944203) | " " " "             |
| 3rd Battalion    | - | (999244) | " " " "             |

23 May 1944

|                |   |          |                       |
|----------------|---|----------|-----------------------|
| Regt'1 Hqs     | - | (962294) | Vic. of Borgomontello |
| Antitank Co.   | - | (951269) | Vic. of Campomorto    |
| Cannon Co.     | - | (965294) | Vic. of Pte. Crocetta |
| Regt'1 Med Det | - | (962294) | Vic. of Borgomontello |
| 1st Battalion  | - | (956312) | Vic. of Cle Carano    |
| 2nd Battalion  | - | (964307) | Vic. of Pte Crocetta  |
| 3rd Battalion  | - | (960295) | Vic. of Pte Crocetta  |

26 May 1944

|               |   |          |                            |
|---------------|---|----------|----------------------------|
| Regt'1 Hqs    | - | (991350) | Vic. of Cisterna           |
| Antitank Co.  | * | (978342) | Vic. of Cisterna           |
| Cannon Co.    | - | (972337) | Vic. of Cisterna           |
| 1st Battalion | - | (970360) | Vic. of Casal S.<br>Mauro  |
| 2nd Battalion | - | (980371) | Vic. of M. della<br>Strada |
| 3rd Battalion | - | (985375) | Vic. of Casal S.<br>Mauro  |

28 May 1944

|                  |   |                             |                              |
|------------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Regt'1 Hqs       | - | (959378)                    | Vic. of Pte. della<br>Farina |
| Headquarters Co. | - | (963243)                    | Le Ferriere                  |
| Regt'1 Med Det   | - | " "                         | " "                          |
| Service Co.      | - | (997267)                    | Vic. of Le Ferrier           |
| Antitank Co.     | - | (973370)                    | Vic. of Mt. della<br>Strada  |
| Cannon Co.       | - | (965392)                    | Vic. of Pte della<br>Farina  |
| 1st Battalion    | - | (962368)                    | Vic. of Cas. Bosel           |
| 2nd Battalion    | - | (Special Assignment with CC |                              |
| 3rd Battalion    | - | (963375)                    | Vic. of Cas. Bosel           |

31 May 1944

|                |   |          |                    |
|----------------|---|----------|--------------------|
| Regt'1 Hqs     | - | (902389) | Vic. of Campoleone |
| Hqs Co.        | - | (020338) | Vic. of Cisterna   |
| Regt'1 Med Det | - | " "      | " " "              |
| Service Co.    | - | (005340) | Vic. of Cisterna   |
| 1st Battalion  | - | (898399) | Vic. of Campoleone |
| 3rd Battalion  | - | (888398) | Vic. of Campoleone |

#### SECTION IV - NARRATIVE HISTORY FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 1944

At the beginning of the month of May, the 135th Infantry Regiment occupied the Division Reserve position in the 34th Division sector on the Anzio beachhead after having been in the line of a period of 31 straight days. The men of the regiment were tired and dirty. The nature of the flat terrain restricted daylight movement to the extent that washing was utterly impossible. Attempts had been made to give the men an opportunity to get cleaned up and rested by extricating small groups and bivouacing them in the kitchen areas for short periods of time. However, the reserve position offered the first complete opportunity for the Regiment to get cleaned up and get clean clothing issued.

The Regiment spent twenty-three days in Division Reserve and the time was occupied primarily with training and planning for offensive operations. Initially the planning was devoted to a limited objective attack called the "Fighter Plan", the purpose of which was to straighten out a salient held in our lines by the enemy SE of Cisterna. After intensive preparation which included many conferences between commanders, intensive reconnaissance, and rehearsal-maneuvers on the part of the infantry troops, together with the Tank Battalion involved, the "Fighter Plan" was abandoned and superceded by a plan larger and more important in scope. The new plan provided for a coordinated Corps attack which itself was to be coordinated with the attack of the Fifth and Eighth Armies on the Southern Front. In order to meet any possible contingency arising from the degree of progress made on the Southern Front, it was necessary to promulgate a number of plans, each of which provided for an attack in a different direction and also provided for various compositions of attacking forces. The priority plan was called the "Buffalo Plan" which provided for the 135th Infantry to be attached to CCA of the 1st Armored Division with the general plan of attacking in a northerly direction in a zone to the west of Cisterna.

Intensive planning and preparation was devoted to this plan because it was realized by all that much depended upon the success or failure of the operation which was meant not only to capture Rome, but to destroy the German 14th Army and its equipment.

In the planning and preparation stage not a stone was left unturned. All of the respective commanders, their staffs, and their junior leaders were thoroughly oriented with the details of the plan; the troops rehearsed their roles with the Tank units with whom they were to fight; special air missions were flown over the enemy positions by reconnaissance planes in order that photos of the enemy positions and dispositions would be available to the troop leaders.

Finally, D-Day, H-Hour was announced. The Regiment was detached from the 34th Division and attached to the CCA of the 1st Armored Division in order to execute the "Buffalo Plan". On 22 May, in accordance with the prearranged plan, the Battalions

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marched to their respective assembly areas and the armored forces moved to their initial defiladed positions. All was in readiness. At 0630B hours, 23 May, the Tanks and Infantry crossed the Line of Departure following a tremendous 35 minute artillery barrage and also after 4 "Snakes" had been detonated. The snakes were being used for the first time and created havoc among the enemy as a result of the terrible explosion caused by its 362 foot long metal casing filled with approximately 1400 lbs of explosive charge. The regiment was attacking initially with the 1st Bn on the left, 2nd Bn on the right, and 3rd Bn in reserve. Enemy reaction to our attack was varied in intensity across the zone of action. The element of surprise had been gained -- and also the element of shock was established. During the initial stages of the attack very effective air support was given the ground forces and this greatly aided the aforementioned element of shock. At first the 1st Battalion had trouble with mines which tended to hold up their advance; the 2nd Battalion made good headway in spite of the fact that enemy resistance stiffened as he began to get hold of himself after the initial jolt. However, casualties were light in this first phase of the attack and enemy prisoners plentiful. Two hundred fifty seven prisoners of war were taken by the regiment by 1635b Hours.

The operation proceeded according to plan and the 1st objective, which was the railroad track, was taken at 1700B Hours, 23 May. In this action, CCA lost 5 light tanks and 4 medium tanks. However, this was compensated by the fact that the operation was completely successful with many prisoners of war having been captured, and an undetermined, though believed heavy, number of casualties were inflicted on the enemy in killed and wounded.

Prisoners, when interrogated, remarked that our attack coming at 0630B hours, came as a complete surprise to them since they expected it at dawn. Many of them had gone to sleep in their caves and were overrun before they were aware of the fact that the offensive had begun. The German practice had been to remain alert and awake all night in defense against our patrols and possible dawn attack, then to sleep all day, maintaining a few sentries in the position. They also remarked that never before, and those who had fought at one time in Russia concurred, had they been subjected to so powerful an artillery preparation.

For the first time in the Italian Campaign, the Cannon Company lost one of its guns, a direct hit knocking out the piece and killing one man. The 1st Battalion had an unfortunate experience in that it lost in the first hours of the attack, its S-2, S-3, Communications Officer, and three Company Commanders.

After taking the 1st objective on the railroad track to the west of Cisterna, the regiment reorganized and prepared to

defend the ground gained while it awaited orders for its future commitment. While in this defensive position, the Battalions were subjected to heavy artillery and mortar fire causing the troops to be pinned down and disrupting communications. Local counterattacks were beaten off by both the 1st and 2nd Bns. In the meantime, the 3rd Bn was committed on the right flank of the regimental sector in order to attack in the direction of Highway #7 which ran north from Cisterna. The mission was to cut the highway. Throughout the 25th of May, the regiment was involved in mopping-up operations within its zone of action. Patrols were sent out to destroy abandoned enemy anti-tank guns and artillery pieces.

At 1100B, 26 May, the Regiment less the 3rd Battalion, reverted to 34th Division control and passed to Division reserve. The 3rd Battalion remained attached to CCA and re-joined the regiment on the night of 26 May. The regiment assembled in its assigned assembly areas and became the Division reserve for the 34th Division.

General Ryder informed Col. Sweeting that aerial reconnaissance showed the enemy to be withdrawing along the entire front and that the air force was busy bombing and strafing their columns on the road causing them severe casualties in men and vehicles.

As a result of the initial success for which the regiment was highly complimented by General Harmon, the Commanding General of the 1st Armored Division, the Germans had nothing more than the remains of the 362nd Infantry Division left to defend their sector to the front of the 34th Division. To meet this crisis they shifted the reserve elements of their 4th Paratroop Division, 65th Infantry Division, and 3rd Panzer Grenadier Division to the front of the 34th Division, weakening their positions on the western side of the beachhead.

On the 27th of May, the 2nd Battalion was detached from the regiment and attached to CCA, 1st Armored Division. The 100th Battalion was attached to the regiment to replace the 2nd Battalion. While the regiment remained in Division reserve, the 133rd and 168th Infantry Regiments kept pressure on the enemy forcing them back to their M/R paralleling the railroad from Lanuvio to Velletri. Here the enemy became strong and determined. He succeeded in temporarily holding up elements of the Division. Added weight was needed.

Dawn of the 31st of May found the regiment again committed to the attack. Preceded by a 30 minute barrage the regiment attacked along a narrow zone of action between the 45th Division and the 133rd Infantry. The attack moved slowly due to stiff resistance by the enemy which took the form of well-sighted machine gun fire, heavy mortar fire, and self-propelled guns. The regiment was attacking with the 3rd Battalion on the left and the 1st Battalion on the right.

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The 100th Bn was in reserve. Casualties to our troops were heavy, and on this one day the 3rd Battalion evacuated 80 wounded men through their aid station alone. Five medium tanks and two TD's were lost in the first attack of the regiment against the Lanuvio Line.

At 1830B the enemy counterattacked with an estimated battalion of infantry supported by tanks. This blow struck between the 179th Infantry on the left and the 3rd Battalion and also hit between the 3rd and 1st Bns. The Infantry, supported by 13 battalions of artillery, halted the counter-attack. In doing so they reported that many Germans were killed and wounded in their sector. Seventy-five prisoners were captured and our lines held intact. The evening of the last day of the month found the regiment reorganizing after the German counterattack preparatory to continuing the attack the next day.

## SECTION V

COMMANDING OFFICERS IN ENGAGEMENTSA. Commanding Officers and Staff Officers, on 1 May 1944.

|                                 |                               |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Regimental Commander            | Lt Col Harry W. Sweeting      |
| Executive Officer               | Lt Col John J. Phelan         |
| S-4                             | Major Roland Anderson         |
| S-3                             | Major Fred H. Lippucci        |
| S-2                             | Capt Louis H. Hauser          |
| S-1                             | Capt P. F. Smith, Jr          |
| Regimental Surgeon              | Major Vilhelm M. Johnson      |
| Commanding Headquarters Company | Capt Keith O. Van Krevelen    |
| " Service Company               | Capt Allen P. Crowley         |
| " Antitank Company              | Capt Jack K. White            |
| " Cannon Company                | Capt Paul W. Blommen          |
| " Medical Detachment            | Capt Carl J. Gumbert          |
| " First Battalion               | Lt Col Ray J. Ericksen        |
| Executive Officer               | Capt Arnold N. Brandt         |
| S-3                             | Capt Donald J. Dodge          |
| Commanding Headquarters Company | - - - - -                     |
| " Company "A"                   | 1st Lt Robert N. Stokes       |
| " Company "B"                   | Capt William E. Smith         |
| " Company "C"                   | 1st Lt George L. Lambert      |
| " Company "D"                   | 1st Lt Herbert E. Grote       |
| " Second Battalion              | Lt Col Simon Castille         |
| Executive Officer               | Major Robert E. McGraw        |
| S-3                             | Capt Richard H. Sugars        |
| Commanding Headquarters Company | Capt Joel M. Lewison          |
| " Company "E"                   | Capt Joe H. Kimble            |
| " Company "F"                   | Capt Alden S. Lance           |
| " Company "G"                   | Capt George E. Combs          |
| " Company "H"                   | Capt Einer M. Lund            |
| " Third Battalion               | Lt Col Fillmore K. Mearns     |
| Executive Officer               | Capt Harry Y. McSween         |
| S-3                             | Capt John L. Bridgeman        |
| Commanding Headquarters Company | 1st Lt Vincent P. DeAugustine |
| " Company "I"                   | 1st Lt Donovan C. Griffin     |
| " Company "K"                   | 1st Lt Luther L. Doty, Jr     |
| " Company "L"                   | 1st Lt Spencer W. Jones       |
| " Company "M"                   | 1st Lt John Scaffi            |

B. Changes in Commanding Officers and Staff Officers during the month of May 1944.1 May 1944

1. 1st Lt Robert N. Stokes, Commanding Company "A", evacuated sick.

2. Capt William R. Howard assigned Commanding Officer Company "A".

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2 May 1944

1. Capt William R. Howard relieved of assignment as Commanding Officer, Company "A", and assigned Commanding Officer, Headquarters Company, First Battalion.

2. 1st Lt George L. Lambert relieved of assignment as Commanding Officer, Company "C", and assigned Commanding Officer, Company "A".

3. Capt James F. Garfield assigned Commanding Officer, Company "C".

4 May 1944

1. 1st Lt Spencer W. Jones, Commanding Company "L", transferred to Headquarters 34th Inf Division.

2. 1st Lt Joe (NMI) Humble assigned Commanding Officer, Company "L".

5 May 1944

1. Capt Donald J. Dodge, S-3 1st Battalion, evacuated sick.

2. Lt Col Ray J. Ericksen, relieved assignment as Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion, and assigned as Regimental Executive Officer.

3. Lt Col John J. Phelan, relieved of assignment as Executive Officer, 135th Infantry, and assigned as Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion.

4. 1st Lt Donovan C. Griffin, Commanding Officer, Company "I", promoted to Captain by Battlefield Promotion. Subject letter, Fifth Army.

6 May 1944

1. 1st Lt Nelson L. Lindstrand assigned as S-3, 1st Battalion.

14 May 1944

1. Capt Arnold N. Brandt, Executive Officer, 1st Battalion, evacuated sick.

2. 1st Lt Reid B. Huff assigned as S-1 and Headquarters Company Commander, 3rd Battalion. 1st Lt Vincent P. DeAugustine transferred to Service Company.

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14 May 1944, Cont'd

3. Capt Leslie W. Bailey assigned Executive Officer, 1st Battalion.

15 May 1944

1. Lt Col Ray J. Ericksen, Executive Officer, assigned Regimental S-3. Major Fred H. Lippucci relieved assignment as Regimental S-3 and assigned Assistant Regimental S-3.

2. Lt Col Charles P. Greyer assigned per Special Orders, Hq 34th Inf Division, assigned as Regimental Executive Officer.

3. Capt P. F. Smith, Jr., Regimental S-1, placed on Temporary Duty with Hq 34th Inf Division.

4. Capt W. H. Dunham assigned as Regimental S-1.

17 May 1944

1. 1st Lt Luther L. Doty, Commanding Officer, Company "K", promoted to Captain per Special Order, NATOUSA.

2. 1st Lt John Scaffi, Commanding Officer, Company "M", promoted to Captain per Special Order, NATOUSA.

23 May 1944

1. 1st Lt Nelson L. Lindstrand, S-3 1st Battalion, evacuated wounded.

26 May 1944

1. Capt Sumpter R. Nelson, on TD from Personnel Center No. 6, assigned as S-3, 1st Battalion.

## SECTION VI

LOSSES IN ACTION

## A. LOSSES IN ITALIAN CAMPAIGN, (From 1 May through 31 May 1944).

1. Killed in Action

3 May 1944

|       |                    |          |      |
|-------|--------------------|----------|------|
| Pfc   | Felt, Wilbert N.   | 36567230 | Co K |
| Pvt   | Koller, Andre P.   | 33793354 | Co K |
| Pvt   | Evans, David R.    | 36685154 | Co K |
| Pvt   | Wachter, Norman N. | 33721196 | Co K |
| * Pvt | Kriznik, Harry J.  | 35914362 | Co C |

7 May 1944

|     |                 |          |      |
|-----|-----------------|----------|------|
| Pvt | Jones, Clyde D. | 38332652 | Co E |
| Pvt | Kelly, James E. | 33653323 | Co E |

23 May 1944

|        |                          |          |           |
|--------|--------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Pfc    | Leo, Angelo              | 32921672 | Co B      |
| Pvt    | Taylor, Charles R.       | 15315007 | Co B      |
| Pvt    | Hill, Melvin E.          | 34105784 | Co A      |
| Pvt    | Vander Meiden, Robert A. | 36866510 | Co B      |
| Pfc    | Wilson, John L.          | 32677895 | Cannon Co |
| Pvt    | Bowden, Samuel R., Jr.   | 14190387 | Co C      |
| Pvt    | Grossman, Edward R., Jr. | 33830785 | Co C      |
| Pvt    | Erisman, William F.      | 33830772 | Co C      |
| Pvt    | Jessop, James            | 33539811 | Co C      |
| Pvt    | Gorlinski, Walter A.     | 36688100 | Co A      |
| * Pfc  | Seay, William W.         | 34576697 | Co E      |
| 2nd Lt | Kneece, James D.         | 0449974  | Co H      |

(TD to Co H from Personnel Center No. 6)

24 May 1944

|        |                       |          |      |
|--------|-----------------------|----------|------|
| Pvt    | Keating, Wesley J.    | 33700123 | Co E |
| 2nd Lt | Goudy, Robert L.      | 01304201 | Co E |
| Pfc    | Garcia, Juan M.       | 38454294 | Co E |
| Pfc    | Kapinos, John S.      | 33106567 | Co E |
| 2nd Lt | Goodspeed, Harold N.  | 01319410 | Co I |
| Pvt    | Strother, Raymond S.  | 35759788 | Co M |
| T/Sgt  | Spoonoggle, Herman    | 32294339 | Co E |
| Pfc    | McLin, W. C. (IO)     | 34714914 | Co E |
| S/Sgt  | DeBona, Guido G.      | 33687948 | Co F |
| Pvt    | Mercer, Henry C., Jr. | 34813360 | Co F |
| Pvt    | Malone, Charles K.    | 35913902 | Co F |
| Pvt    | Clark, Dan H.         | 34766244 | Co B |
| Pvt    | Hicks, Raymond        | 34883805 | Co B |

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1. Killed in Action, Cont'd

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|       |                   |          |      |
|-------|-------------------|----------|------|
| * Pfc | Otterson, Earl O. | 36280043 | Co E |
| Pvt   | Levak, William J. | 33701476 | Co F |
| Pfc   | Makolin, Alvin A. | 36823744 | Co C |

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|          |                       |          |      |
|----------|-----------------------|----------|------|
| T-5      | Schwartz, Louis       | 20222425 | Co L |
| Pfc      | LePine, Donald F.     | 36290956 | Co L |
| Pfc      | Feconda, Furry P.     | 33784095 | Co G |
| Pfc      | Gillespie, William C. | 33671746 | Co H |
| Pfc      | Szymanski, Raymond J. | 36281141 | Co H |
| Pfc      | Hardin, Sam M.        | 35696899 | Co M |
| * 2nd Lt | Bengen, John A.       | 01703027 | Co I |
| * Pfc    | Bogda, Arthur L.      | 36662496 | Co C |

26 May 1944

|       |                      |          |      |
|-------|----------------------|----------|------|
| Pfc   | Batten, Anclé Z.     | 34783036 | Co K |
| Pvt   | Houston, Guss        | 34439739 | Co K |
| Pvt   | Kelly, Paul J.       | 32945161 | Co K |
| T/Sgt | Rodgers, Levi H.     | 35130723 | Co I |
| Pfc   | Agoney, Frederick L. | 32855995 | Co L |

27 May 1944

|       |                     |          |      |
|-------|---------------------|----------|------|
| T/Sgt | Robison, Charles R. | 34146004 | Co I |
|-------|---------------------|----------|------|

28 May 1944

|     |                     |          |      |
|-----|---------------------|----------|------|
| Pvt | McMahan, J. C. (IO) | 34735318 | Co B |
|-----|---------------------|----------|------|

29 May 1944

|          |                       |          |       |
|----------|-----------------------|----------|-------|
| Pfc      | Chrisman, William     | 34725639 | Co D  |
| * 1st Lt | Morris, George E.     | 01306305 | Co H  |
| Pvt      | Hill, William E., Jr. | 32855607 | AT Co |

30 May 1944

|     |                       |          |      |
|-----|-----------------------|----------|------|
| Pfc | Row, J. C. (IO)       | 39686721 | Co H |
| Pfc | Owsianowski, Roman R. | 36340982 | Co H |
| Cpl | Erlandson, Roy W.     | 37027466 | Co H |
| Pvt | Prader, Leslie A.     | 39843742 | Co L |
| Pfc | Wood, William H.      | 34397668 | Co F |
| Pvt | Miller, George B.     | 32703551 | Co G |
| Pvt | Locantore, James V.   | 32572629 | Co G |

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1. Killed in Action, Cont'd

31 May 1944

|       |                      |          |         |
|-------|----------------------|----------|---------|
| Pvt   | Hunt, Leon L.        | 39184275 | Med Det |
| Pfc   | Mobley, Clarence R.  | 38321448 | Co K    |
| Cpl   | Knippen, Ralph L.    | 36737103 | Co L    |
| * Pfc | Quello, John A.      | 36456829 | Co L    |
| S/Sgt | Tucker, Eugene M.    | 20707244 | Med Det |
| Pvt   | Higgins, Thomas F.   | 42034936 | Co I    |
| S/Sgt | Ingram, Clyde M.     | 39311329 | Co K    |
| Sgt   | McDonnell, Thomas P. | 33396909 | Co K    |
| Sgt   | Skufca, John T.      | 36243484 | Co K    |
| Pfc   | Page, Omer W.        | 34783289 | Co K    |
| Pfc   | Laurain, Francis J.  | 36131186 | Co K    |
| Pfc   | Caulfield, Martin    | 10601048 | Co E    |
| S/Sgt | Weder, William F.    | 32568268 | Co F    |
| Pvt   | Haynes, Howard C.    | 39619802 | Co F    |
| Pfc   | Spires, Mitchell W.  | 34449037 | Co F    |
| Pfc   | Ingstrum, Henry D.   | 31344901 | Co F    |
| Pfc   | Graves, Robert H.    | 32261777 | Co F    |
| S/Sgt | Lucio, Albert V.     | 32181483 | Co B    |
| Pvt   | Bessenger, George E. | 36869254 | Co B    |
| Pfc   | Mosley, Otis         | 37672874 | Co B    |

\* Died of Wounds after being evacuated to hospital.

2. Wounded in Action

3 May 1944

|     |                      |          |              |
|-----|----------------------|----------|--------------|
| Sgt | Franks, Walter L.    | 32311747 | Hq Co 1st Bn |
| Sgt | Criddle, Robert E.   | 38333165 | Hq Co 1st Bn |
| Pfc | Hefner, Ray C.       | 34175314 | Hq Co 3rd Bn |
| Cpl | Johannsen, Marvin J. | 20709760 | Hq Co 3rd Bn |
| Pvt | Higgins, Aaron G.    | 33656047 | Co K         |
| Pfc | Tennant, Raymond     | 38321433 | Co K         |

7 May 1944

|     |                    |          |           |
|-----|--------------------|----------|-----------|
| Pfc | Pheffer, Hyman     | 32541557 | Cannon Co |
| Pvt | Davis, Joseph H.   | 33700292 | Co G      |
| Pfc | Hanson, Stanley V. | 37552806 | Co G      |

9 May 1944

|       |                   |          |           |
|-------|-------------------|----------|-----------|
| S/Sgt | Hudson, Thomas A. | 34643990 | Cannon Co |
|-------|-------------------|----------|-----------|

10 May 1944

|     |                    |          |      |
|-----|--------------------|----------|------|
| Pvt | Dietrich, Ralph W. | 37477616 | Co B |
|-----|--------------------|----------|------|

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2. Wounded in Action, Cont'd

11 May 1944

Pvt Suchomski, Bernard A. 36713536 Co C

14 May 1944

Pvt Balogh, Frank 32906882 Hq Co  
Pfc Charlton, Joseph J. 33474917 Hq Co 2nd Bn

21 May 1944

2nd Lt Cauthen, Wilbur L. 01324824 Co B

23 May 1944

Pfc Bongiovi, Albert R. 32878320 Med Det  
Pvt Deavers, James E. 33634996 Med Det  
Pvt Morus, Frank L. 36662446 Med Det  
Pfc McGowan, Thomas E. 33425749 Med Det  
Pfc Shilvock, Ernest, Jr. 36713732 Cannon Co  
Pvt Williams, Cecil M. 34544997 Cannon Co  
2nd Lt Lindstrand, Nelson L. 02046694 Hq Co 1st Bn  
1st Lt West, Henry D., Jr. 0460016 Hq Co 1st Bn  
1st Lt Gregg, James A. 01309720 Hq Co 1st Bn  
Pvt Brokos, John F., J. 35914660 Co A  
Pvt Moorhead, Robert D. 35631523 Co A  
Pfc Phillips, John 34553762 Co A  
2nd Lt Colina, John J. 01317149 Co A (TD with  
Co A from Personnel Center No.6)  
1st Lt Lambert, George L., Jr. 01310663 Co A  
Sgt Trivitte, Thomas E. 34175224 Co A  
Pvt Kramer, Leo L. 36881627 Co B  
Pfc Carb, Wilson C., Jr. 36598963 Co A  
Pvt Shideler, James S. 35093712 Co A  
Pfc Maddox, Earl W. 34761669 Co A  
Pfc Johns, Walter R. 31342135 Co B  
Pfc Burklow, Samuel D. 36869456 Co B  
Pfc Corley, L. M. (IO) 34801569 Co B  
Pfc Enriguez, Bernardo 38257530 Co B  
Pfc Higgs, Emil Y. 35699977 Co B  
Pvt Johnson, Arthur W. 33608534 Co B  
Pvt Klaiber, LaVerne C. 32932727 Co B  
Pvt 1cl Julius, Clarence W. 10600153 Co B  
S/Sgt Hall, George J. 6152041 Co B  
Sgt Casey, John H. 31297858 Co B

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2. Wounded in Action, Cont'd

23 May 1944

|        |                          |          |      |
|--------|--------------------------|----------|------|
| S/Sgt  | Pittman, Herbert C.      | 35714760 | Co B |
| Pvt    | Counts, Jesse R.         | 34813259 | Co B |
| 2nd Lt | Anderson, John C.        | 01322969 | Co B |
| Sgt    | Weissmann, William P.    | 36743948 | Co B |
| Pfc    | Van Cleve, Rex A.        | 37460585 | Co C |
| Pvt    | Taylor, Kenneth M.       | 35759802 | Co C |
| Pvt    | Hawkins, Jim E.          | 34612793 | Co C |
| Pvt    | Reed, Robert J.          | 16017120 | Co C |
| Capt   | Garfield, James F.       | 0370002  | Co C |
| Pfc    | Burke, James D.          | 33604100 | Co C |
| 2nd Lt | Kobrin, Charles (NMI)    | 01304911 | Co C |
| Pfc    | Lindsey, Dwain           | 34700702 | Co C |
| Pfc    | Gomez, Joe G.            | 38169383 | Co C |
| Sgt    | Hart, John T.            | 32854800 | Co E |
| Pfc    | Blankenberger, Adolph    | 35728272 | Co E |
| Pvt    | Kolakovich, Walter J.    | 36869128 | Co E |
| Pfc    | Kaiser, William W.       | 36280220 | Co E |
| Pfc    | Donaldson, James A., Jr. | 33738280 | Co E |
| 2nd Lt | Youngmeyer, Howard V.    | 02055902 | Co E |
| Pvt    | Hoag, Lewis T.           | 36869529 | Co E |
| S/Sgt  | Michlitsch, Paul P.      | 37027459 | Co E |
| Pvt    | Koper, Berney            | 36869449 | Co E |
| S/Sgt  | Pomanto, Orlando A.      | 33779015 | Co E |
| Pfc    | King, Edward L.          | 37510680 | Co E |
| Pfc    | Frye, George E.          | 37667271 | Co E |
| Pvt    | Finn, Michael T.         | 32786913 | Co E |
| Pvt    | Kockanowski, William P.  | 36761579 | Co E |
| Pvt    | Kane, John F.            | 33830838 | Co E |
| Pvt    | Milton, Edward A.        | 31350417 | Co E |
| Pfc    | Finehart, Robert F.      | 36593155 | Co E |
| Pfc    | Scaramucci, Bruno        | 33672536 | Co E |
| S/Sgt  | Steinhoff, Raymond N.    | 37026284 | Co E |
| S/Sgt  | Jensen, Ervin            | 20708738 | Co E |
| Pfc    | Hughes, Harvey R.        | 33648458 | Co F |
| Pfc    | Davis, Robert D.         | 33621710 | Co G |
| Pvt    | Izzo, Stephen J.         | 12171348 | Co H |
| 1st Lt | Baker, Philip E.         | 01308907 | Co H |
| Pvt    | Weber, Max S.            | 36643400 | Co H |
| Sgt    | Furtney, Dana D.         | 20708954 | Co H |
| Pfc    | Schneider, Edwin J.      | 37610492 | Co H |
| Pfc    | Fisher, De Vere D.       | 32840784 | Co H |
| Pvt    | Dixon, Frank, Jr.        | 42012250 | Co I |

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2. Wounded in Action, Cont'd

24 May 1944

|        |                        |          |      |
|--------|------------------------|----------|------|
| Pfc    | Brooks, Karl A.        | 6261350  | Co A |
| Pvt    | Adams, John R., Jr.    | 33793757 | Co B |
| S/Sgt  | Fendley, Frank K.      | 34648753 | Co B |
| Sgt    | Kristofferson, Carl C. | 37025722 | Co B |
| 2nd Lt | Kelley, John J.        | 01317023 | Co B |
| Pvt    | King, Frank L.         | 35772885 | Co B |
| Pvt    | Finn, Donald F.        | 35231371 | Co B |
| Pvt    | Hondorp, Gerald        | 36876668 | Co C |
| Sgt    | Malzahn, Edward H.     | 36662075 | Co C |
| Pfc    | Gajewski, Edward J.    | 33463645 | Co E |
| Pfc    | Iverson, Warren M.     | 36281328 | Co E |
| Pvt    | Kiballa, Myron         | 33609433 | Co E |
| Pvt    | McMahon, Verne C.      | 36761519 | Co F |
| Pfc    | Baledge, L. D. (IO)    | 37102242 | Co F |
| Pvt    | McMahan, J. C. (IO)    | 34735318 | Co F |
| S/Sgt  | Spellman, Harold G.    | 35588112 | Co F |
| Pvt    | Troop, Abraham         | 36670087 | Co F |
| Pvt    | Spackman, Cornelius F. | 32651725 | Co F |
| Pfc    | Parr, William R.       | 12174116 | Co G |
| S/Sgt  | Hile, Harold E.        | 37472713 | Co G |
| Pvt    | Jurgens, Robert L.     | 36743606 | Co G |
| Pvt    | Cyr, Normand Z.        | 31343526 | Co H |
| Pfc    | Reynolds, Arthur G.    | 32918459 | Co K |
| Pfc    | Taulbee, Okla          | 35448585 | Co L |
| Pvt    | Edwards, Raymond H.    | 34669979 | Co L |
| Pvt    | Winkler, William O.    | 38519221 | Co L |
| Sgt    | Houser, Orval          | 37045372 | Co L |
| 2nd Lt | Holtegaard, Leonard E. | 01703028 | Co L |

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|       |                       |          |              |
|-------|-----------------------|----------|--------------|
| Pvt   | Lloyd, Wayne, Jr.     | 34739396 | Med Det      |
| T-5   | Dougherty, William R. | 33311073 | Hq Co 1st Bn |
| Pfc   | Beteille, Robert J.   | 32160635 | Hq Co 1st Bn |
| Pvt   | Howell, Everett L.    | 35772923 | Hq Co 1st Bn |
| S/Sgt | Tolan, James J.       | 33130281 | Co A         |
| Pfc   | Echavarria, Jesus R.  | 39686322 | Co B         |
| Cpl   | Storch, William E.    | 33111495 | Co B         |
| Pvt   | Dowdle, John D.       | 34890352 | Co C         |
| Pvt   | Taylor, Roy E.        | 35745880 | Co C         |
| Pvt   | Francis, William S.   | 35659096 | Co E         |
| Pvt   | Babalas, Charles W.   | 31308402 | Co F         |
| Pfc   | Lechner, John H.      | 33680717 | Co F         |
| Sgt   | Seanez, Efren H.      | 39548248 | Co F         |
| Pvt   | Mounts, Joseph W.     | 37533913 | Co F         |
| Pvt   | White, Gilbert H.     | 36460137 | Co F         |
| Pvt   | Mrowicki, Andrew W.   | 36761577 | Co F         |
| Sgt   | Webb, Alvin L.        | 37349914 | Co F         |

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2. Wounded in Action, Cont'd

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|       |                           |          |      |
|-------|---------------------------|----------|------|
| Pvt   | Palange, Salvatore A., Jr | 33595896 | Co F |
| Pvt   | Moisa, Andrew, Jr.        | 36680102 | Co F |
| Pfc   | Houser, Edward H.         | 36740271 | Co F |
| Pvt   | Noyes, Gordon M.          | 12023757 | Co G |
| Pvt   | Sutton, Homer E.          | 35567395 | Co G |
| Cpl   | Mosher, Clarence          | 36575715 | Co G |
| Pfc   | Beard, Archie D.          | 33784071 | Co G |
| Pvt   | Oliver, Lemeul N.         | 36761704 | Co G |
| Pvt   | Fritz, Donald J.          | 36688210 | Co G |
| Pvt   | Gaylor, Robert M.         | 13133169 | Co G |
| Pvt   | Healy, John W.            | 39137692 | Co G |
| Pfc   | Parks, Gordon E.          | 35655615 | Co H |
| Pvt   | Waz, Stanley A.           | 31342107 | Co H |
| Pvt   | Bohaker, Warrell R.       | 31389911 | Co I |
| S/Sgt | Morris, Wallace R.        | 6953464  | Co M |
| Pfc   | Barnhart, Floyd O.        | 33703192 | Co A |

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|        |                      |          |  |
|--------|----------------------|----------|--|
| Pfc    | Kissell, Robert W.   | 36477440 | AT Co  |
| T/Sgt  | Chapman, Raymond P.  | 32167558 | AT Co  |
| T-4    | Mann, Wilburn B.     | 34396556 | Med Det  |
| T-5    | Shaffer, Charles W.  | 33562236 | Med Det  |
| Pfc    | Rudolphi, Daniel K.  | 36079393 | Med Det  |
| Pfc    | Irby, Charles C.     | 33519140 | Med Det  |
| Pfc    | Braa, Jerome B.      | 37036880 | Med Det  |
| Pvt    | Hopkins, Roy L.      | 36750298 | Med Det  |
| Pvt    | Higgins, David J.    | 39909853 | Med Det  |
| Pfc    | Roden, Charles M.    | 34709915 | Co A   |
| Pfc    | Boothe, Owen F.      | 34801549 | Co A   |
| Pfc    | Reed, Harold C.      | 38343185 | Co A   |
| Pvt    | Miller, Russell E.   | 33733161 | Co E   |
| Pfc    | Miles, J. W. (IO)    | 34399923 | Co G   |
| Pvt    | Locke, Maurice E.    | 31321965 | Co G   |
| Capt   | Combs, George E.     | 01290379 | Co G   |
| Pvt    | Moores, James M.     | 31347623 | Co G   |
| Pfc    | Russell, Arthur J.   | 36669784 | Co G   |
| S/Sgt  | Angell, Emery J.     | 36480462 | Co G   |
| 2nd Lt | Gilbert, Owen G.     | 01312001 | Co G (TD with<br>Co "G" from Personnel Center No. 6) |
| Sgt    | Myers, Oliver R.     | 33460111 | Co I   |
| Pfc    | Kazolias, George P.  | 32748609 | Co I   |
| Sgt    | Niemi, William O.    | 36307069 | Co I   |
| S/Sgt  | Bachinsky, George B. | 31122100 | Co K   |

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2. Wounded in Action, Cont'd

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|     |                      |          |      |
|-----|----------------------|----------|------|
| Pvt | Finn, John P.        | 42031339 | Co K |
| Pvt | Eberhardt, Louie     | 34827477 | Co K |
| Pvt | DeCheubell, Robert O | 33514092 | Co K |

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|        |                      |          |            |
|--------|----------------------|----------|------------|
| Pfc    | Kubishta, Joseph P.  | 37025534 | Service Co |
| Pvt    | Kovitz, Louis        | 32815355 | Hq Co      |
| Pfc    | Chromy, Michael      | 36622539 | AT Co      |
| Pvt    | Stipicevic, Marijan  | 32795637 | Med Det    |
| Pfc    | Lawless, Ray         | 33649034 | Co D       |
| Capt   | Doty, Luther L., Jr. | 01292844 | Co K       |
| 1st Lt | Humble, Joe (NMI)    | 01309738 | Co L       |
| Pvt    | Morgan, Kenneth E.   | 20527028 | Co L       |
| Pvt    | Walpole, James C.    | 34814109 | Co L       |
| Sgt    | Holmes, George B.    | 36131214 | Co L       |

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|        |                       |          |              |
|--------|-----------------------|----------|--------------|
| Pfc    | Reinke, Ervin A.      | 37028802 | AT Co        |
| Pvt    | Bitzer, George W.     | 33733113 | Co B         |
| 1st Lt | Jones, William S., Jr | 01294674 | Hq Co 3rd Bn |
| Pfc    | Denning, Theodore R.  | 34175413 | Hq Co 3rd Bn |
| Pfc    | Loechner, George J.   | 36306133 | Hq Co 3rd Bn |
| Pfc    | Martino, Antonio      | 32341490 | Hq Co 3rd Bn |
| T-5    | Weber, William A.     | 20709081 | Hq Co 3rd Bn |
| Pvt    | Holmes, George J.     | 31230979 | Co K         |
| 2nd Lt | Johnson, Donald C.    | 01321416 | Co B         |

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|        |                         |          |           |
|--------|-------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Pfc    | Osier, Finis W.         | 36613500 | Cannon Co |
| Pvt    | Schwartz, Leroy W       | 35588982 | Co B      |
| Pfc    | Rittenhouse, Richard J. | 32811329 | Co D      |
| Pfc    | Langevin, Robert E.     | 31343134 | Co L      |
| Pfc    | Hanson, Robert M.       | 37037437 | Co M      |
| S/Sgt  | Walerak, Frank R.       | 20708919 | Co H      |
| 1st Lt | Morris, George E.       | 01306305 | Co H      |
| S/Sgt  | Wingate, Albert C.      | 32131921 | Co H      |
| Pfc    | Murphy, Adron M.        | 37027466 | Co H      |
| Pfc    | Stegall, Howard E.      | 37608329 | Co H      |

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|     |                         |          |      |
|-----|-------------------------|----------|------|
| Pvt | Birdwhistell, Marvin E. | 35799451 | Co A |
| Pfc | Calvi, John F.          | 32918870 | Co A |
| Pfc | Posthuma, John          | 32602277 | Co A |

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2. Wounded in Action, Cont'd

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|        |                        |          |              |
|--------|------------------------|----------|--------------|
| Pvt    | Daley, Albert A. J.    | 31371810 | Co A         |
| S/Sgt  | Mouton, Presley J.     | 14010285 | Co A         |
| Pvt    | Bass, Martin D.        | 34808932 | Co A         |
| Pvt    | Banzet, Denzil I.      | 37533658 | Co A         |
| Pvt    | Sanders, Robert J.     | 39706550 | Co C         |
| Pfc    | Benner, Paul D.        | 35277635 | Co C         |
| Pvt    | McClure, George W.     | 33703084 | Co C         |
| Pvt    | Mason, Dwhite N.       | 33758989 | Co C         |
| S/Sgt  | Albertson, Donald      | 37025556 | Co A         |
| Pfc    | Baskes, Frank          | 17055797 | Co A         |
| S/Sgt  | Wheeler, Paul L.       | 18003134 | Hq Co 2nd Bn |
| S/Sgt  | Cowell, John T.        | 37027388 | Hq Co 2nd Bn |
| S/Sgt  | Satre, Ingolf O.       | 20708957 | Hq Co 2nd Bn |
| 2nd Lt | Griesemer, Thomas B.   | 01310100 | Co E         |
| Pfc    | Stolte, Harry W., Jr.  | 33561056 | Co E         |
| Pfc    | Finley, Forrest O.     | 37101746 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | Hammer, Wesley C.      | 33504270 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | Gibson, Hubert V.      | 14032201 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | Stewart, Reginald F.   | 15335292 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | Frone, John J.         | 33779448 | Co F         |
| Pvt    | Marfuta, Michael       | 36869167 | Co F         |
| S/Sgt  | Danowski, Edward J.    | 16020478 | Co F         |
| Sgt    | Grose, Raphael T.      | 20708516 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | Leavelle, Joseph H.    | 34813324 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | Bernier, John R.       | 31342092 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | Bardi, Peter W.        | 33600390 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | Kessler, George W.     | 32591385 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | Leatherwood, Ernest E. | 38321496 | Co F         |
| Pvt    | Brink, Eugene S.       | 37477147 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | Weinel, William E.     | 13170700 | Co G         |
| Pvt    | McComb, Joseph C.      | 31383815 | Co G         |
| Pfc    | McDade, William G.     | 31359462 | Co G         |
| Pfc    | Faulkner, Howard J.    | 34821701 | Co G         |
| Pvt    | Butler, Charles        | 33733522 | Co G         |
| Pvt    | Fernandez, Ray         | 39292058 | Co G         |
| Sgt    | Martin, Lealen R.      | 37518224 | Co G         |
| 2nd Lt | Guzzardo, Sam          | 01312760 | Co G         |
| Pvt    | Youngblood, Paul A.    | 34806571 | Co G         |
| Pfc    | Lira, Daniel T.        | 39686619 | Co G         |
| Pfc    | Vittone, Robert A.     | 31347506 | Co G         |
| Pvt    | Lueckemeyer, Alvin R.  | 38414807 | Co G         |
| Pvt    | Greene, Albert J.      | 35772691 | Co G         |
| Pfc    | Sklar, George          | 33575492 | Co G         |
| Cpl    | Vomacka, Stanley       | 20708884 | Co H         |
| Pfc    | Twitchell, Llewelyn F. | 20709733 | Hq Co 3rd Bn |

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2. Wounded in Action, Continued

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|       |                          |          |      |
|-------|--------------------------|----------|------|
| Pfc   | Wastart, Alexander       | 36306929 | Co I |
| Pvt   | Clarke, Wilfred F.       | 32745458 | Co I |
| Pvt   | Stephenson, William H.   | 34813128 | Co I |
| Pvt   | Susag, Paul W.           | 37571815 | Co I |
| Pvt   | Baginski, John F.        | 33485926 | Co I |
| Sgt   | Pihlaja, Arvo A.         | 36229293 | Co I |
| Pfc   | Scalise, Splendore       | 35704459 | Co I |
| Pvt   | Kubeck, George J.        | 33826752 | Co I |
| Pvt   | Jegou, Marcel J.         | 32923202 | Co I |
| Pfc   | Herrman, Richard E., Jr. | 32950344 | Co I |
| Sgt   | Kindhart, Lawrence M.    | 36306747 | Co I |
| S/Sgt | Schoenrock, Norman G.    | 37189514 | Co I |
| Pfc   | Herr, Donald E.          | 33491917 | Co K |
| S/Sgt | Tomassoni, Anthony A.    | 36229267 | Co K |
| S/Sgt | Holtquist, Kenneth C.    | 20709550 | Co L |
| Sgt   | Baker, Gerald T.         | 36160829 | Co L |
| Pfc   | Quello, John A.          | 36456829 | Co L |
| Pfc   | Lettre, Lionel E.        | 31322583 | Co L |
| Pvt   | Beldeszek, Joseph H.     | 31422159 | Co L |
| Pvt   | Wilburn, Edward W.       | 34884450 | Co L |
| Pfc   | White, Andrew (NMI)      | 35871396 | Co L |
| Pvt   | Bruni, Samuel J.         | 33436481 | Co L |
| Pfc   | Wood, James L.           | 35637061 | Co L |
| Pfc   | Teahan, John A.          | 36583176 | Co L |
| T/Sgt | Bladow, Arnold A.        | 37028689 | Co L |
| Pfc   | Tracey, James W.         | 34724815 | Co L |
| Pvt   | Pittman, Ray H.          | 34645754 | Co M |
| Pvt   | Brennan, Terrance        | 32886364 | Co M |
| Pfc   | Isenhardt, Herbert S.    | 36649852 | Co M |

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|-------|------------------------|----------|------|
| Pfc   | Joseph, James          | 35767668 | Co A |
| Pfc   | Bohon, James           | 15377079 | Co A |
| Pvt   | Reutinger, Glen W.     | 35631430 | Co A |
| Pfc   | Greco, Anthony         | 32898876 | Co A |
| Pvt   | Myers, McKenley        | 34653074 | Co A |
| Pfc   | Bankowski, William     | 36875301 | Co A |
| Pvt   | Jones, Charles G.      | 35801305 | Co A |
| Pfc   | Kamykowski, Casimir J. | 36579820 | Co B |
| Pfc   | Decker, Hubert E.      | 35700186 | Co B |
| S/Sgt | Murante, Vincent T.    | 32304950 | Co B |
| Sgt   | Reilly, Thomas F.      | 10600262 | Co B |
| Pfc   | Nardella, Ettore M.    | 36669665 | Co B |
| Pvt   | Kunde, Robert W.       | 31405111 | Co B |
| Sgt   | Matice, Floyd C.       | 12082088 | Co B |

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2. Wounded in Action, Continued

31 May 1944, Cont'd

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|--------|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Pfc    | Bobik, Rudolph          | 33403694 | Co B    |
| S/Sgt  | Mulhern, James A.       | 33466862 | Co B    |
| Pvt    | Beckman, Cyril F.       | 37703304 | Co B    |
| Pfc    | Callahan, Clifford J.   | 35534499 | Co B    |
| S/Sgt  | Grinstead, Gerald W.    | 36130918 | Co I    |
| Pvt    | Jones, Burr R.          | 36118771 | Co I    |
| Pvt    | Johnson, Jesse W.       | 35875663 | Co I    |
| Pvt    | Martell, Thomas J.      | 31310445 | Co I    |
| 1st Lt | Vensel, Leslie K.       | 01305681 | Co I    |
| Pvt    | Pikulski, Felix T.      | 36868529 | Co I    |
| Pfc    | Arrudo, John J.         | 31308377 | Co I    |
| Pvt    | Malee, John G.          | 33683362 | Co I    |
| Pvt    | Belknap, Charles S.     | 31381555 | Co I    |
| Pfc    | MaCarty, Harry E.       | 33386850 | Co I    |
| Pvt    | Hoffman, Charles D.     | 33832276 | Co L    |
| Pfc    | McElwayne, Thomas F.    | 35716555 | Co L    |
| Pvt    | Johnson, Vernon P.      | 33733945 | Co L    |
| Pfc    | Rickert, Harry L.       | 35567349 | Co L    |
| Pvt    | Tarcheddo, Chester J.   | 16174987 | Co L    |
| Pfc    | Hart, Gilbert B.        | 36859430 | Co L    |
| Pfc    | Klein, Robert L.        | 32572552 | Co L    |
| Pfc    | Smith, George E.        | 32370233 | Co L    |
| Pvt    | Beach, Jack I.          | 36833575 | Co L    |
| Pvt    | Stevens, James L.       | 33733547 | Co M    |
| Pfc    | Mell, Stewart E.        | 33825632 | Co M    |
| 1st Lt | Flynn, John P.          | 01292861 | Co M    |
| Pvt    | Patton, Samuel M.       | 33655769 | Med Det |
| Cpl    | Pederson, Orville N.    | 20707261 | Med Det |
| Pvt    | Mullins, Dewey E.       | 35624595 | Med Det |
| Pvt    | Cannon, Willie          | 34547547 | Co A    |
| Pvt    | Stec, Milton S.         | 31370958 | Co A    |
| Pvt    | Carleton, Wesley E.     | 31390082 | Co A    |
| Pvt    | Whittaker, Roy M.       | 36549521 | AT Co   |
| Sgt    | Bauer, Frank            | 37028801 | AT Co   |
| Pfc    | Shollenberger, Glenn H. | 13174919 | Cn Co   |
| S/Sgt  | Hoffman, Albert R.      | 17011952 | Co B    |
| Pfc    | O'Beirne, Richard J.    | 32828900 | Co B    |
| Sgt    | Burch, Wallace J.       | 34543949 | Co B    |
| Pfc    | Hite, Cecil L.          | 35750151 | Co B    |
| Capt   | Smith, William E.       | 0418790  | Co B    |
| Pfc    | Day, Americo P.         | 31352981 | Co B    |
| Pfc    | Jolly, David R., Sr.    | 34773806 | Co B    |
| Pfc    | Kaskin, Macabee         | 14192129 | Co B    |
| S/Sgt  | Shoop, Glen R.          | 37463300 | Co B    |
| Pfc    | Lisfwski, Stanley       | 32927087 | Co B    |
| Pfc    | Hyatte, Roy T.          | 35138508 | Co B    |

(SECTION VI -- LOSSES IN ACTION, Continued)

2. Wounded in Action, Continued

31 May 1944, Cont'd

|        |                           |          |              |
|--------|---------------------------|----------|--------------|
| Pfc    | ·Lynch, Edward J.         | 32657527 | Co B.        |
| Pvt    | ·Demers, Herve T.         | 11131501 | Co D         |
| Pfc    | ·Bigelow, James T.        | 20708691 | Hq Co 2nd Bn |
| Pfc    | ·Green, Mose              | 14017974 | Co E         |
| Pfc    | ·Turner, James E.         | 34713745 | Co E         |
| Pvt    | ·Zega, Armando B.         | 42000274 | Co E         |
| Pvt    | ·Roane, Doswell F.        | 33642216 | Co E         |
| Sgt    | ·Granger, Wallace D.      | 20708306 | Co E         |
| Pfc    | ·Garst, John C.           | 35728905 | Co E         |
| Pfc    | ·Frese, Leonard F.        | 31212850 | Co E         |
| Pfc    | ·Richard, Archie E.       | 35651964 | Co E         |
| Pvt    | ·Kircheis, Fred S.        | 36829020 | Co E         |
| Pfc    | ·Martin, Carl             | 33616817 | Co E         |
| Pfc    | ·Hostetler, Roy L.        | 33702569 | Co E         |
| Pvt    | ·Heffner, Arthur H.       | 33248947 | Co E         |
| Pvt    | ·Keenan, John J.          | 42031498 | Co E         |
| Pvt    | ·Doty, John A.            | 32835895 | Co E         |
| Pvt    | ·Kemp, LeRoy W.           | 36829069 | Co E         |
| Pfc    | ·Mico, John J.            | 33651543 | Co F         |
| S/Sgt  | ·Smith, George W.         | 6718982  | Co F         |
| Pfc    | ·Ard, Richard             | 34653707 | Co F         |
| Sgt    | ·Holecek, William A.      | 20708487 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | ·Sigler, Roy E.           | 35588082 | Co F         |
| S/Sgt  | ·Ingenito, John T.        | 32539681 | Co F         |
| S/Sgt  | ·Young, Arthur J.         | 32717269 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | ·Costello, Martin R., Jr. | 31334909 | Co F         |
| Pvt    | ·Maler, Ralph C.          | 35913772 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | ·Hicks, James W.          | 34800565 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | ·Thompson, Chester        | 35637196 | Co F         |
| 2nd Lt | ·Lenar, Eugene J.         | 01306736 | Co F         |
| Pvt    | ·Minor, Vernon F.         | 37534109 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | ·Himes, Jack L.           | 35603506 | Co F         |
| Pfc    | ·Frese, Leonard F.        | 31212850 | Co F         |
| 1st Lt | ·Curley, Michael J.       | 01299700 | Co G         |
| Sgt    | ·Lomneck, Ernest          | 34403500 | Co H         |
| Pfc    | ·Whitaker, Charles A.     | 36591238 | Co H         |
| Pvt    | ·Pietrzycki, Paul F.      | 33794778 | Co I         |
| Pvt    | ·Eardach, Peter H.        | 31386832 | Co I         |
| Pvt    | ·Kolbash, Edward V.       | 32764395 | Co I         |
| Pvt    | ·Krawiec, Edward S.       | 32957569 | Co I         |
| Pvt    | ·Carter, Rhodes D.        | 33734308 | Co L         |
| Pfc    | ·Boom, Chris, Jr.         | 37037476 | Co M         |
| Pvt    | ·Tingle, Murray           | 34870987 | Co M         |
| Pfc    | ·Brittain, Homer G.       | 34607526 | Co M         |
| Pfc    | ·McCann, George F.        | 32458985 | Co M         |

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2. Wounded in Action, Continued

31 May 1944, Cont'd

|        |                          |          |              |
|--------|--------------------------|----------|--------------|
| Pfc    | ·Bucek, Stephen M.       | 33459532 | Co M         |
| Pvt    | ·Purcell, Harvey S.      | 34687992 | Co M         |
| Pfc    | ·Peters, Ruford          | 35092944 | Co M         |
| Pvt    | ·Timinski, Raymond S.    | 33704059 | Co M         |
| Pfc    | ·Mohn, Lester L.         | 33826693 | Co M         |
| 2nd Lt | ·Stratmoen, Lloyd D.     | 01703030 | Co L         |
| T/Sgt  | ·Mack, Stanley B.        | 20709564 | Co L         |
| T/Sgt  | ·Trebil, Edgar W.        | 20709581 | Co L         |
| S/Sgt  | ·Locklear, Ivey W.       | 34449529 | Co L         |
| S/Sgt  | ·Stolpman, Wilfred P.    | 20709579 | Co L         |
| S/Sgt  | ·Wilson, Joe D.          | 6397487  | Co L         |
| Sgt    | ·Skaggs, Carneige A.     | 35686357 | Co L         |
| Sgt    | ·Allen, Gerald R.        | 36160831 | Co L         |
| Pfc    | ·Melvin, Cecil           | 34783798 | Co L         |
| Pfc    | ·Haines, Charles P.      | 37672852 | Co L         |
| Pfc    | ·Lyons, Floyd C.         | 38514477 | Co L         |
| Pfc    | ·Hinckley, Jerold M.     | 31350985 | Co L         |
| Pfc    | ·Nesbitt, Robert J., Jr. | 34645953 | Co L         |
| Pfc    | ·Gifford, Leroy H.       | 36463574 | Co L         |
| Pvt    | ·Setliff, Lecil L.       | 34814318 | Co L         |
| Pvt    | ·Bernard, Joseph         | 42015186 | Co L         |
| Pvt    | ·Ploga, Bernard          | 31381482 | Co L         |
| Pvt    | ·Bollinger, Paul M.      | 33515501 | Co L         |
| Pvt    | ·Nudge, Gust W.          | 33758979 | Co L         |
| Pvt    | ·Wolf, Elmer F.          | 33795788 | Co L         |
| Pvt    | ·Hindle, Alexander       | 31372364 | Co L         |
| Pvt    | ·Seals, Clenton D.       | 38475152 | Co L         |
| Pvt    | ·Nochta, Charles R.      | 35914487 | Co L         |
| Pvt    | ·Brescia, Daniel A.      | 31262290 | Co L         |
| Pvt    | ·DeMiere, Paul V.        | 33440993 | Co L         |
| S/Sgt  | ·Wheeler, Garfield W.    | 35213739 | Co L         |
| Pfc    | ·Dobo, John, Jr.         | 33669313 | Co L         |
| Pvt    | ·Clark, Ethan J.         | 31350410 | Co L         |
| Pfc    | ·Ford, Alexander W.      | 37026783 | Co K         |
| Pfc    | ·Monk, Wayne V.          | 35701658 | Co K         |
| Pfc    | ·Stephens, Timmie E.     | 34813209 | Co I         |
| S/Sgt  | ·Roberson, Velden V.     | 35213784 | Co I         |
| Sgt    | ·Highland, Robert F.     | 36306888 | Co I         |
| Pfc    | ·Dyer, Arthur W.         | 36480882 | Co I         |
| S/Sgt  | ·Burger, Edward J.       | 37026569 | Co I         |
| Pfc    | ·Glace, Cloyd D.         | 33576189 | Co I         |
| Sgt    | ·Rhodus, Glynn           | 35130822 | Co I         |
| Pvt    | ·Chicalace, John F.      | 36729522 | Co I         |
| Pfc    | ·Rubincam, Harold V.     | 13123975 | Co I         |
| Pvt    | ·Guth, Richard E.        | 33680711 | Hq Co 3rd Bn |

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3. Missing in Action

23 May 1944

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|-----|-------------------|----------|------|
| Pfc | Hall, Raymond A.  | 33529744 | Co A |
| Pfc | Short, C. B., Jr. | 38368701 | Co A |
| Pfc | Jones, Hubert     | 34706801 | Co C |
| Pvt | Emory, Virgil     | 34721653 | Co C |

24 May 1944

|     |                       |          |      |
|-----|-----------------------|----------|------|
| Pvt | Combs, Milton C.      | 33536356 | Co A |
| Pfc | Shallcross, Donald H. | 36669408 | Co C |
| Pfc | Koblick, Stanley S.   | 35548613 | Co E |

B. LOSSES IN ITALIAN CAMPAIGN PRIOR TO MAY, 1944, BUT NOT INCLUDED IN PREVIOUS LISTINGS:

1. Missing in Action

11 January 1944

|     |                    |          |      |
|-----|--------------------|----------|------|
| Pvt | McInnis, Robert A. | 31358445 | Co G |
|-----|--------------------|----------|------|

3 February 1944

|     |                   |          |      |
|-----|-------------------|----------|------|
| Pfc | Lamont, Howard G. | 33779333 | Co G |
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S U M M A R Y

|                    | <u>Officers</u> | <u>Warrant Officers</u> | <u>Enlisted Men</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Killed in Action:  | 5               | 0                       | 75                  |
| Wounded in Action: | 28              | 0                       | 402                 |
| Missing in Action  | 0               | 0                       | 9                   |
| Captured:          | 0               | 0                       | 0                   |

SECTION VII -- CITATIONS AND AWARDS, 1 May through 31 May 1944.

A. THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS AND ENLISTED MEN HAVE BEEN RECOMMENDED FOR DECORATIONS AND AWARDS AS INDICATED BELOW:

1. Legion of Merit

a. LEO G. VOSS, 0451700, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Service Company, 135th Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during the period from 1 January 1944 through 31 January 1944 in the vicinity of San Vittore, Italy. As a Battalion S-4 throughout the Tunisian Campaign Lt Leo G. Voss became impressed with the inadequacy of the "C" and "K" rations as combat ration when they had to be served to front line troops over long periods of time. At this time he began working on a plan by which he could supplement this ration and by 1 January 1944, when his Battalion was ready to attack San Vittore, Italy, Lt Voss had secured permission for an experiment of thirty days in an attempt to solve the feeding problem of front line troops. Through considerable improvisation of baking implements and with personnel and equipment drawn from the various company kitchens, he established a Battalion Bakery. The plan was to supplement the "C" ration with large, appetizing pastries of high calorie content, two or three large sandwiches of considerable variety and ample portions of fruit juice. The problems of control, packaging, handling and flexibility were numerous and difficult. The success of the experiment required untiring efforts and ceaseless supervision, but at the end of the period, the plan was pronounced an unqualified success by all members of the Battalion. Lt Voss' efforts materially improved the morale and aggressiveness of the hard fighting and tired front line infantrymen. The perseverance, ingenuity, and concern for the welfare of the front line soldier on the part of Lt Voss reflects great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Lt Voss entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

2. Silver Star (Posthumously)

a. ANTHONY F. VON RUDEN, 01290506, First Lieutenant, Headquarters First Battalion, 135th Infantry Regiment for gallantry in action. Early on the morning of 14 October 1944, the Battalion of which Lt Von Ruden was a member, attacked across the Volturno River in the vicinity of Orcoli, Italy. Lt Von Ruden was ordered to supervise the installation of a ferry to carry supplies across the river. As the group was about to begin their task, a heavy artillery barrage fell on the site of the ferry. In spite of this fact Lt Von Ruden forded the river leading a small detachment of men. Heavy machine gun and rifle fire, augmented by the use of concussion grenades, forced the small group to withdraw back across the river. Although the direct responsibility for the establishment of this ferry lay with the Pioneer and Ammunition Officer and the Engineer Officer, neither was disposed to carry on with his work after the above incident without the support of the rifle units, which according to plans were supposed to be on both flanks. Reorganizing and reinforcing the group with all available men, Lt Von Ruden again crossed the river in the face of small arms and machinegun fire. This time the enemy was driven out and three prisoners taken. In neutralizing these enemy positions he secured the anchorage for the ferry and soon thereafter a steady flow of supplies were crossing the river, making it possible for the battalion to push on after securing their initial objective. The gallantry, personal courage and aggressive leadership of Lt Von Ruden was an inspiration to the men who worked with him and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Entered the Service from Los Angeles, California.

(SECTION VII -- CITATIONS AND AWARDS, Continued)

3. Soldiers Medal

a. ROBERT E. HOLMAN, 39554125, Private First Class, Cannon Company, 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroism not involving actual conflict on 8 May 1944 in the vicinity of Borgo Montello (Anzio Beachhead), Italy. When a fire of undetermined origin was noticed in an ammunition pit that contained 100 rounds of high explosive 75mm Howitzer ammunition, Private First Class Holman, a .50 calibre machine gunner, acting entirely upon his own initiative, organized a bucket brigade from a nearby creek and succeeded in extinguishing the burning ammunition. The explosion of the ammunition appeared imminent but, without regard for self, Private First Class Holman placed himself at the head of the bucket line on the edge of the pit overlooking the burning ammunition and stayed at his post until the fire was extinguished. This heroic act on the part of Pfc Holman was an inspiration to the company and reflects credit upon the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Entered service from Pasadena, California.

4. Bronze Star

a. WILLIAM HUDSON, 34171846, Sergeant, Company "E", 135th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action. On 9 February 1944, while Company "E", 135th Infantry, was being counter-attacked by the enemy, Sgt Hudson placed his mortar in position to fire on the enemy. He then sent the rest of his squad back to carry ammunition while he proceeded to fire the weapon by himself. He kept firing even while the position was covered by heavy small arms fire and artillery fire from the enemy. He never left the position even when another mortar, only about 15 yards away was knocked out. During this time many casualties were inflicted upon men all around him, but with disregard for his own safety, he kept firing. His actions were very instrumental in staving off the attack and were an inspiration to the rest of his men. His heroic action, in the face of grave danger, upholds the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States Army. Entered service from Tarboro, South Carolina.

b. ELMER L. HUNT, 34785200, Sergeant, Company "E", 135th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action. On 17 April 1944, at about 0115 hours, while his company was preparing to conduct a raid on enemy positions, Sgt Hunt was wounded in both hands by a burst of enemy machinegun fire. He left his squad in command of his assistant squad leader and returned to his company CP where he was treated for his wounds. After being treated, he returned to the line of departure, where he checked his squad and reported it all present and in position, to his platoon sergeant. Only after he was satisfied that his men were ready and in position would Sgt Hunt consent to evacuation. Sgt Hunt's heroic action reflects credit upon the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Entered service from Orlando, Florida.

# Regimental History

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#### SECTION IV - NARRATIVE HISTORY FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 1944

The regiment with tank support moved forward to the attack on the first day of June but at the end of a hard day's fighting due to repeated enemy counter-attacks and bitter resistance was unable to make any progress. The action took place approximately a mile south of Lanuvio where the enemy laid down accurate and concentrated mortar and S/P fire on all avenues of advance in the rolling terrain.

The Third Battalion with the aid of artillery, tank and mortar fire, repulsed a heavy German counter-attack, taking 45 prisoners and killing between 100 and 150 of the enemy. The Third Battalion losses were heavy. Lt. Col. Mearns and Captain Bridgeman sustained wounds and were evacuated. The command of the Battalion was assumed by Major McSwain.

Ten men were wounded and two killed, all from the 100th Battalion, when the 135 Infantry CP was subjected to heavy shelling by the enemy. In front of Lanuvio the Second and Third Battalions were suffering heavy casualties after being pinned down in draws by machine gun fire and then receiving concentrated mortar fire. In these draws our medical men performed a difficult task in bringing out the wounded, and it was necessary to send for replacement litter bearers.

As the day came to a close, the troops dug in and consolidated their positions.

The attack was resumed on the following day, driving on the east side of Lanuvio. The 100th Battalion now was attached to the Regiment. The men were tired and nervous from the constant shelling of the previous day and the battlefield ahead was littered with dead. Enemy fire continued to fall in the draws and the various routes of approach.

Our tanks were unable to neutralize enemy machine gun fire because of the confusion caused by smoke and haze and at the same time enemy anti-tank fire was continuous and accurate. Nine of the tanks supporting the Second Battalion were knocked out. Our artillery fire knocked out two or five enemy tanks in front of Company "F".

Very little progress was reported on the entire regimental front.

Shortly before the Second Battalion was to move forward in an attack, a note was received from the enemy, asking for a truce to remove the dead. The note was ignored and the attack launched.

Tank support for the Second Battalion arrived late and the armour was unable to progress because of anti-tank fire. In the meanwhile the Battalion was encountering artillery, mortar, machine gun and sniper fire, much of the latter coming from Germans who had infiltrated into burned out tanks during the night. Because of poor artillery liaison at the time it was not possible to secure the needed support. Enemy tanks moved forward but were repulsed when our own tanks came up to break up their formation, and later our artillery fire was brought upon the enemy.

It was learned from prisoners from Transport and Storm Battalions and Engineer Units that the enemy had orders to withdraw about three kilometers at 2400 hours and this evidence seemed confirmed when a small German counter-attack was made shortly before that hour, apparently as a covering movement. The attack was beaten back by light and heavy mortars, artillery fire not being available.

The 133 Infantry, it was reported, entered Lanuvio early on the day of June 3 and an enemy withdrawal was believed to have taken place during the night. Our regiment suffered a hard loss when on the same morning Lt. Col. Erickson and two enlisted men were killed while on reconnaissance with Lt. Col. Sweeting. They were pinned down by machine gun fire in a road leading north to Genzans while out in front of the leading elements of the Infantry.

On the morning of June 4 the enemy had pulled out all along the regimental front and our battalions swung over to an area near Albano and prepared to march on Rome. The only enemy resistance was limited to occasional S/P and anti-tank fire which supported small groups of infantrymen left behind to fight a delaying action.

On June 5 the 155 Infantry entered the first of the Axis capitals. The regiment was the first infantry unit to march into the limits of Rome. The CP of the First Battalion was established in Rome at 0130, and the troops continued to press through and beyond the city with tanks. The Third Battalion, following armoured units, moved into Rome and occupied a park on the south bank of the Tiber River at 0730 hours.

The civilian population of the "Eternal City" lined the streets, throwing flowers and fruit to the troops and in many cases embracing and kissing our men. Because of this welcome, movement of vehicles and foot soldiers was slow. Our infantrymen were footsore, dusty and weary but the welcome of a liberated people aided greatly in reviving their spirits.

The Regimental CP was established in the Majestic Hotel on June 5. At 1450 of that day, it was reported that the Regimental CP had been unable to contact Lt. Col. Sweeting who had not returned at 1800 from reconnaissance, and at 2400 the belief was expressed that he was missing in action and a report was sent to Division. On the following day Colonel Sweeting's vehicle was

found knocked out. Both Colonel Sweeting and his driver, Private Groom, were missing.

The regimental CP displaced forward to the vicinity of the Vatican City along Highway #1 on June 8 and at the same time the opportunity was taken to feed the troops hot meals and give them as much rest as possible. It was the first hot meal in 10 days for many of the men. The Third Battalion then moved on to a defensive position southeast of Bracciano and the Second Battalion moved forward of the Vatican City radio relay station.

The regiment continued its movement forward after the retreating enemy, while in Division reserve and reached the port of Civitavecchia without undue incident. The beaches throughout this area were heavily mined and it was learned from civilians that the Germans had been expecting an invasion from the sea at this point. Civilians had been evacuated from the immediate area where the invasion was anticipated. It was in this port town that the Germans abandoned huge railway guns which, it was believed, were those used to shell the beachhead at Anzio.

Throughout this area our troops saw evidence of the effectiveness of our air force against enemy transport and supply lines. Not only were there many abandoned and wrecked vehicles but the enemy had been forced to construct fox holes every few yards along the roads for the protection of their drivers.

On June 10 the regiment moved into a rest area near Tarquinia and on June 12 the training program was resumed. Passes were issued to Rome and the nearby beach was cleared for swimming.

On June 24 the regiment moved forward to an assembly area near Savorrano and on June 29 passed through the 442 Infantry, relieving that unit not far from Castagneto. The Second Battalion pushed on to Bogheri where they found that the Partisans had been harrassing the enemy for the past two days.

An increasing number of enemy mines were being encountered as the Regiment pressed forward. At the close of the month the Regiment had three battalions abreast and was involved in an attack, the purpose of which was to cross the Cecina River and advance toward the town of Cecina.

## SECTION V

COMMANDING OFFICERS IN ENGAGEMENTSA. Commanding Officers and Staff Officers, on 1 June 1944.

|                                 |                                     |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Regimental Commander            | Lt Col Harry W. Sweeting, 019168    |
| Executive Officer               | Lt Col Charles P. Greyer, 0269157-  |
| S-4                             | Major Roland Anderson, 0366901      |
| S-3                             | Lt Col Ray J. Erickson, 0401913     |
| S-2                             | Capt Louis H. Hauser, 01290418      |
| S-1                             | Capt Winfred H. Dunham, 01291088    |
| Regimental Surgeon              | Major Wilhelm M. Johnson, 0419941   |
| Commanding Headquarters Company | Capt Keith O. Van Krevelen, 0377973 |
| " Service Company               | Capt Allen P. Crowley, 0354712      |
| " Antitank Company              | Capt Jack K. White, 0336830         |
| " Cannon Company                | Capt Paul W. Blommen, 0452559       |
| " Medical Detachment            | Capt Carl J. Gumbert, 0373567       |
| " First Battalion               | Lt Col John J. Phelan, 020193       |
| Executive Officer               | Capt Leslie W. Bailey, 021045       |
| S-3                             | Capt Sumpter R. Nelson, 0420240     |
| Commanding Headquarters Company | Capt William R. Howard, 0387017     |
| " Company "A"                   | 1st Lt George L. Lambert, 01310663  |
| " Company "B"                   | Capt William E. Smith, 0418790      |
| " Company "C"                   | Capt James F. Garfield, 0370002     |
| " Company "D"                   | 1st Lt Herbert E. Grote, 01302966   |
| " Second Battalion              | Lt Col Simon Castille, 0234762      |
| Executive Officer               | Major Robert E. McGraw, 0393312     |
| S-3                             | Capt Richard H. Sugars, 01288325    |
| Commanding Headquarters Company | Capt Joel M. Lewison, 0291051       |
| " Company "E"                   | Capt Joe H. Kimble, 01290435        |
| " Company "F"                   | Capt Alden S. Lance, 01290440       |
| " Company "G"                   | Capt George E. Combs, 01290379      |
| " Company "H"                   | Capt Einer M. Lund, 0397371         |
| Commanding Third Battalion      | Lt Col Fillmore K. Mearns, 021106   |
| Executive Officer               | Major Harry Y. McSween, 0410271     |
| S-3                             | Capt John L. Bridgeman, 0405756     |
| Commanding Headquarters Company | 1st Lt Reid B. Huff, 0390555        |
| " Company "I"                   | Capt Donovan C. Griffin, 0416559    |
| " Company "K"                   | Capt Luther L. Doty, 01292844       |
| " Company "L"                   | 1st Lt Joe (NMI) Humble, 01309738   |
| " Company "M"                   | Capt John Scaffi, 01290483          |

B. Changes in Commanding Officers and Staff Officers during the month of June, 1944.1 June 1944

1. 1st Lt George L. Lambert, 01310663, Commanding Company "A", evacuated wounded.
2. Capt Ralph J. Mantkowski, 01289603, assigned Commanding Officer, Company "A".
3. Capt William E. Smith, 0418790, Commanding Company "B", evacuated wounded.
4. 1st Lt Raymond J. Drury, 0461984, assigned Commanding Officer, Company "B".

(SECTION V - COMMANDING OFFICERS IN ENGAGEMENTS, Continued).

2 June 1944

1. Capt John Sbaffi, 01290483, Commanding Company "M", evacuated wounded.
2. 1st Lt Jake Gabbard, 01290406, assigned Commanding Officer, Company "M".
3. Capt John L. Bridgeman, S-3 3rd Battalion, evacuated wounded.

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1. Capt Alden S. Lance, 01290440, Commanding Company "F", evacuated wounded.
2. 1st Lt Robert W. Smith, 01301075, assigned Commanding Officer, Company "F",
3. Lt Col Ray J. Ericksen, 0401913, S-3 135th Infantry, Killed in Action.
4. Major Fred H. Lippucci, 0359982, assigned S-3 135th Infantry.

5 June 1944

1. Lt Col Harry W. Sweeting, 019168, Regimental Commander, Missing in Action.

11 June 1944

1. Lt Col Ashton H. Manhart, 018773, Assigned Regimental Commander, having been transferred from the 45th Division.

23 June 1944

- 1st Lt Frank E. Holt, 01291642, Assigned S-3 3rd Battalion.

## SECTION VI

LOSSES IN ACTION

## A. LOSSES IN ITALIAN CAMPAIGN, (From 1 June through 30 June 1944).

1. Killed in Action

1 June 1944

|          |                        |           |              |
|----------|------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Pvt      | ·Dougherty, Firman E.  | 35235960  | Hq Co 1st Bn |
| Pvt      | ·Haight, Gene S.       | 20718589  | Med Det      |
| Pfc      | ·Gordon, Joseph L.     | 37503469  | Co "I"       |
| Pfc      | ·Czop, George P.       | 33625773  | Co "I"       |
| Pvt      | ·Perkins, Francis J.   | 33795706  | Co "I"       |
| Pvt      | ·Edgren, Arthur C.     | 36688163  | Co "I"       |
| Pvt      | ·Line, Donald J.       | 33610046  | Co "I"       |
| Pvt      | ·Smith, Furman L.      | 34779398  | Co "L"       |
| Pvt      | ·Best, Henry B., Jr.   | 31350014  | Co "L"       |
| Pfc      | ·Brooks, Calvin F.     | 33440948  | Co "L"       |
| Pvt      | ·Andersen, Thorvald E. | 20701989  | Co "M"       |
| Pfc      | ·Loud, Francis A.      | 31359536  | Co "C"       |
| Pfc      | ·Szkutak, Anthony B.   | 31211030  | Co "F"       |
| Pfc      | ·Horecka, Ralph E.     | 20708521  | Co "F"       |
| Pfc      | ·Leva, James V.        | 32845320  | Co "F"       |
| * 1st Lt | ·Curley, Michael J.    | 01299700  | Co "G"       |
| Pfc      | ·Watkins, George R.    | 34356819  | Co "G"       |
| Pfc      | ·Snow, Cecil S.        | 36280118  | Co "H"       |
| * S/Sgt  | ·McCafferty, Marcus V. | 39249078  | Co "C"       |
| T/Sgt    | ·Brubaker, Oscar B.    | 33232512  | Co "C"       |
| Pvt      | ·Pelione, Joseph E.    | 36864923  | Co "C"       |
| * Pfc    | ·Arno, Albert          | 14118321  | Co "H"       |
| * S/Sgt  | ·Locklear, Ivey W.     | 344449529 | Co "L"       |
| * S/Sgt  | ·Almy, Ellsworth G.    | 31033586  | Co "F"       |
| Pfc      | ·Johnson, Burnett E.   | 20708524  | Co "F"       |
| Pfc      | ·Petroski, Albert      | 36669521  | Co "F"       |
| Pfc      | ·Ingram, Robert L.     | 34254657  | Co "F"       |
| Pvt      | ·Gain, Grady T.        | 38277347  | Co "A"       |
| Pvt      | ·Jones, Emery L.       | 35875107  | Co "A"       |
| * Pfc    | ·Kasica, Ralph L.      | 36818584  | Co "F"       |

2 June 1944

|       |                        |          |        |
|-------|------------------------|----------|--------|
| Pvt   | ·Thurber, Frederick A. | 31380675 | Co "L" |
| Pvt   | ·Paluch, Michael       | 35760441 | Co "L" |
| Pfc   | ·Everett, Nathan G.    | 33436393 | Co "L" |
| Pvt   | ·Angarano, Dominick P. | 42035661 | Co "E" |
| Pfc   | ·Hughes, LeRoy         | 34651245 | Co "F" |
| Pvt   | ·Fairbanks, James      | 33703113 | Co "F" |
| Pfc   | ·Mercil, Ben T.        | 36669868 | Co "F" |
| S/Sgt | ·Arthur, Pope W.       | 34088851 | Co "F" |
| Pfc   | ·McElwee, Leonard      | 33603603 | Co "K" |
| Pvt   | ·Kamszik, Joseph       | 31338688 | Co "K" |
| Pfc   | ·Hall, James N.        | 35729819 | Co "K" |
| Pfc   | ·Bullen, David F.      | 36229318 | Co "K" |

SECTION VI -- LOSSES IN ACTION, Continued).

1. Killed in Action, Cont'd

3 June 1944

|        |                     |          |          |
|--------|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Pfc    | Raphael, Philip J.  | 32184063 | Hq Co    |
| Pvt    | Sanino, Joseph F.   | 39265764 | Hq Co    |
| Lt Col | Ericksen, Ray J.    | 0401913  | Regtl Hq |
| Pvt    | Marsack, Raymond J. | 36869412 | Co "F"   |

4 June 1944

|     |                        |          |        |
|-----|------------------------|----------|--------|
| Pvt | Earle, Lawrence J.     | 32920123 | Co "B" |
| Pvt | Market, Kenneth W.     | 35048086 | Co "B" |
| Pvt | Lindsey, Wallace       | 34813241 | Co "B" |
| Pvt | Cornelison, Kenneth L. | 36820922 | Co "B" |
| Pfc | Nagy, Julius E.        | 35231772 | Co "B" |

5 June 1944

|       |                     |          |        |
|-------|---------------------|----------|--------|
| * Pvt | Mrowicki, Andrew W. | 36761577 | Co "F" |
|-------|---------------------|----------|--------|

6 June 1944

|       |                    |          |        |
|-------|--------------------|----------|--------|
| * Pvt | Kelly, Curtis      | 34789813 | Co "A" |
| Pvt   | Burleson, Henry F. | 34771753 | Co "B" |

8 June 1944

|     |                       |          |        |
|-----|-----------------------|----------|--------|
| Pvt | Peterson, Ivar L.     | 36761604 | Co "K" |
| Pvt | Schreuder, Anthony P. | 16045754 | Co "L" |

10 June 1944

|       |                    |          |        |
|-------|--------------------|----------|--------|
| * Pfc | Swanson, Robert G. | 34590091 | Co "M" |
|-------|--------------------|----------|--------|

21 June 1944

|          |                 |          |        |
|----------|-----------------|----------|--------|
| * 2nd Lt | Colina, John J. | 01317149 | Co "A" |
|----------|-----------------|----------|--------|

30 June 1944

|       |                       |          |        |
|-------|-----------------------|----------|--------|
| Pfc   | Lingle, Glenn         | 36726088 | Co "H" |
| S/Sgt | Banko, Andrew         | 33601704 | Co "F" |
| Pfc   | Davis, Arlie E.       | 35052896 | Co "F" |
| Pfc   | Kieltyka, Matthew C.  | 31345990 | Co "F" |
| Pvt   | Scholz, Merlyn K.     | 39920609 | Co "F" |
| Pfc   | Urino, Anthony P.     | 32539910 | Co "E" |
| Tec 5 | Oestereich, Daniel E. | 37404497 | Co "G" |
| Pvt   | Fernandez, Ray        | 39292058 | Co "G" |

\* Died of Wounds after being evacuated to hospital.

(SECTION VI -- LOSSES IN ACTION, Continued)

2. Wounded in action

1 June 1944

|        |                          |          |    |           |
|--------|--------------------------|----------|----|-----------|
| Pfc    | ·Brummett, Robert C.     | 37413817 | Co | "H"       |
| Pfc    | ·Heim, Fred              | 32674385 | Co | "H"       |
| Pvt    | ·Eucalitto, Gueivno, W.  | 31325831 | Co | "H"       |
| Pvt    | ·Lebeda, James L.        | 3668201  | Hq | Co 3rd Bn |
| Tec 5  | ·Schwartzman, Milton     | 33068042 | Hq | Co 3rd Bn |
| Pvt    | ·Quinlivan, Robert D.    | 36685960 | Hq | Co 3rd Bn |
| Lt Col | ·Mearns, Fillmore K.     | 021106   | Hq | Co 3rd Bn |
| Capt   | ·Bridgeman, John L.      | 0405756  | Hq | Co 3rd Bn |
| Tec 4  | ·Young, Howard D.        | 33067800 | Hq | Co 3rd Bn |
| Pfc    | ·Ritter, Hearshel H.     | 38405971 | Co | "I"       |
| Sgt    | ·Wright, Curtis A.       | 34397825 | Co | "I"       |
| Pfc    | ·LaBelle, Raymond J.     | 36307084 | Co | "I"       |
| Pfc    | ·Kellen, Roman W.        |          | Co | "I"       |
| Pvt    | ·Penny, William S.       | 37346116 | Co | "I"       |
| Pvt    | ·Torti, Martin J.        | 39101557 | Co | "I"       |
| Pvt    | ·Frederick, Arnold W.    | 36459557 | Co | "I"       |
| Pfc    | ·Haley, Jesse P.         | 34286256 | Co | "I"       |
| Pfc    | ·Sheraden, Frank H., Jr. | 33687197 | Co | "I"       |
| Pvt    | ·Brister, Lee H.         | 38518959 | Co | "I"       |
| Pvt    | ·Read, Walter J.         | 35802002 | Co | "I"       |
| Pvt    | ·Larkin, Frank J.        | 11138392 | Co | "I"       |
| S/Sgt  | ·Allen, James W.         | 35213878 | Co | "I"       |
| Pvt    | ·Petrouchak, Stephen     | 33609442 | Co | "I"       |
| Pvt    | ·Sayers, James H.        | 34812952 | Co | "I"       |
| Pvt    | ·Steyer, Alvin H.        | 36028029 | Co | "I"       |
| Sgt    | ·Majewski, Eugene L.     | 36662022 | Co | "I"       |
| Sgt    | ·Anderson, Delbert I.    | 20709118 | Co | "I"       |
| Pfc    | ·Buzzitta, Louis A.      | 36458368 | Co | "I"       |
| Pfc    | ·Beatley, Leon           | 35686248 | Co | "K"       |
| Pfc    | ·Mackey, Gerald F.       | 32857395 | Co | "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·Camp, Robert N.         | 35226502 | Co | "K"       |
| Pfc    | ·Roed, Floyd O.          | 37027537 | Co | "K"       |
| Pfc    | ·Freeland, Clarence M.   | 35796265 | Co | "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·Kopochis, Bruno R.      | 36680310 | Co | "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·Mancia, John J.         | 33609458 | Co | "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·Utting, Charles E.      | 31381097 | Co | "K"       |
| 1st Lt | ·McGinn, Thomas J.       | 0442410  | Co | "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·Swain, Robert R.        | 37703083 | Co | "K"       |
| Pfc    | ·Johnson, Clarence E.    | 37025794 | Co | "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·Sweeney, Ronald E.      | 37703328 | Co | "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·Dixon, James R.         | 34883516 | Co | "K"       |
| Pfc    | ·Bates, French H.        | 36599924 | Co | "K"       |
| Pfc    | ·Manning, Marvin B.      | 34670934 | Co | "K"       |
| S/Sgt  | ·Aaser, Morris O.        | 37027573 | Co | "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·Switzer, J. A.          | 34813005 | Co | "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·Tharp, Hugh H.          | 36869523 | Co | "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·Higgins, Robert K.      | 36876707 | Co | "L"       |
| Pfc    | ·Anderson, Lloyd W.      | 36280523 | Co | "L"       |
| Pvt    | ·Wolf, Stanley A.        | 35637061 | Co | "L"       |
| S/Sgt  | ·Lopez, David            | 36621697 | Co | "L"       |
| S/Sgt  | ·Cosgrove, John F.       | 33719652 | Co | "L"       |
| Sgt    | ·Houser, Orval           | 37045372 | Co | "L"       |

(SECTION VI -- LOSSES IN ACTION, Continued)

2. Wounded in Action

1 June 1944

|         |                       |          |              |
|---------|-----------------------|----------|--------------|
| Pfc     | Gately, Allen P.      | 33119232 | Hq Co        |
| Tec 5   | Harper, Byron G.      | 35139975 | Med Det      |
| 1st Lt. | Schaibly, Robert L.   | 01296912 | Hq Co 1st Bn |
| Pvt     | Thompson, Edward W.   | 13177075 | Hq Co 1st Bn |
| Pvt     | Hewitt, Charles H.    | 33589990 | Hq Co 1st Bn |
| Pfc     | Patterson, Fred W.    | 32880547 | Co "A"       |
| Pvt     | Kukucz, Edward F.     | 35066001 | Co "B"       |
| Pfc     | Mitchell, James D.    | 34764899 | Co "B"       |
| Pvt     | Barnes, Paul G.       | 33731955 | Co "B"       |
| Pvt     | Sherer, Guiford J.    | 42031914 | Co "B"       |
| Pvt     | Miller, Alfred G.     | 35730149 | Co "B"       |
| Pfc     | Fiehler, Rupert F.    | 37397445 | Co "B"       |
| Pfc     | Dempsey, Maurice E.   | 31351138 | Co "B"       |
| Pvt     | Long, John A.         | 35637052 | Co "B"       |
| S/Sgt   | Higingbottom, Davis   | 34385344 | Co "B"       |
| Pfc     | Heddy, John A.        | 32910234 | Co "B"       |
| Pvt     | Durand, Leo A. J.     | 31386525 | Co "B"       |
| Pvt     | Noe, Robert H.        | 36743741 | Co "B"       |
| Pvt     | Jensen, Jack H.       | 36689021 | Co "B"       |
| Pvt     | Lopes, John D.        | 31386879 | Co "C"       |
| Pfc     | McIntosh, Lloyd T.    | 34599667 | Co "C"       |
| Pvt     | Gitterman, Louis F.   | 20311333 | Co "C"       |
| Pvt     | Ruiz, Arthur          | 35892684 | Co "C"       |
| Pvt     | Phillips, Charles H.  | 34803013 | Co "C"       |
| Sgt     | Matis, George J., Jr. | 33670778 | Co "C"       |
| Pfc     | Sobieski, Henry S.    | 33465479 | Co "C"       |
| Pfc     | Hill, Lester A.       | 31288264 | Co "C"       |
| Tec 5   | Taylor, William E.    | 35635924 | Co "C"       |
| Pvt     | Pittenger, Ralph J.   | 35893029 | Co "C"       |
| Pvt     | Sales, Johnnie        | 39285587 | Co "C"       |
| Pvt     | Flores, Robert B.     | 39857038 | Co "C"       |
| S/Sgt   | Grant, Vincent A.     | 10600111 | Co "C"       |
| Sgt     | Netto, Louis          | 32917427 | Co "C"       |
| Pvt     | Frey, Robert B., Jr.  | 33609519 | Co "C"       |
| Pvt     | Weaver, Clair J.      | 33514070 | Co "C"       |
| S/Sgt   | Juneau, Clyde J.      | 34152048 | Co "C"       |
| Pfc     | McDonald, Jack M.     | 35868256 | Co "C"       |
| 1st Lt  | Woodward, Howard E.   | 01287640 | Co "D"       |
| Sgt     | Ledakowski, Joseph C. | 31354851 | Co "D"       |
| Sgt     | Norwood, Hoyt C.      | 34145539 | Co "D"       |
| Pfc     | Minich, Oscar F.      | 33139938 | Co "F"       |
| 2nd Lt  | Klawitter, Arnold G.  | 02055401 | Co "F"       |
| Pfc     | Brown, Paul W.        | 39286394 | Co "F"       |
| Pfc     | Kasica, Ralph L.      | 36818584 | Co "F"       |
| Pfc     | Castenedo, Ralph A.   | 32885725 | Co "F"       |
| S/Sgt   | Zicca, Ralph          | 32342004 | Co "F"       |
| Pfc     | Zofchak, George       | 35607434 | Co "F"       |
| Pfc     | Stuart, Gilbert W.    | 34361425 | Co "F"       |
| Pfc     | Lyons, Milton C.      | 31350997 | Co "F"       |
| S/Sgt.  | Reagan, Earl T.       | 35171174 | Co "H"       |
| S/Sgt   | Beel, Wayne R.        | 17000582 | Co "H"       |
| Pfc     | Lejman, John S.       | 36544947 | Co "H"       |
| Pfc     | Woodward, Irving R.   | 31322949 | Co "H"       |

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2. Wounded in action

1 June 1944

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|     |                        |          |        |
|-----|------------------------|----------|--------|
| Pvt | ·Iacobba, Pasquale Jr. | 11136447 | Co "L" |
| Pvt | ·Hoffman, Charles D.   | 33832276 | Co "L" |
| Pfc | ·Parker, Carl E.       | 32734770 | Co "L" |
| Pfc | ·Eakin, Henry F.       | 38333738 | Co "L" |
| Pvt | ·Workman, Clarence H.  | 35772799 | Co "L" |
| Pvt | ·Wicker, James E.      | 35093394 | Co "M" |

2 June 1944

|        |                        |          |              |
|--------|------------------------|----------|--------------|
| Pvt    | ·Leeds, Marvin M.      | 42034399 | Hq Co 1st Bn |
| Pvt    | ·Garner, Haskell H.    | 34813844 | Co "A"       |
| Pvt    | ·Grimm, Donald W.      | 37572208 | Co "A"       |
| Pvt    | ·Elliott, Victor       | 35868384 | Co "C"       |
| Cpl    | ·Watterson, Kenneth F. | 39407328 | Co "D"       |
| Cpl    | ·Camp, Woodrow E.      | 33628508 | Co "D"       |
| Pvt    | ·Coull, Jack           | 33759558 | Co "D"       |
| Pvt    | ·Sheridan, James J.    | 32706064 | Co "D"       |
| Sgt    | ·Solamon, Gabriel M.   | 13092763 | Co "D"       |
| Pfc    | ·Hodnett, Willie A.    | 34813177 | Co "E"       |
| Pfc    | ·Butler, Herman H.     | 20524572 | Co "E"       |
| Pfc    | ·Ditlow, John O.       | 35742608 | Co "E"       |
| Pfc    | ·Haskins, Glen P.      | 36589237 | Co "E"       |
| Pfc    | ·McGurn, James F.      | 31360317 | Co "E"       |
| Pfc    | ·Gaines, Milton D.     | 34765206 | Co "E"       |
| Pfc    | ·Orazen, Peter J.      | 37552498 | Co "E"       |
| Pvt    | ·Hartman, Lester E.    | 36869528 | Co "E"       |
| Sgt    | ·Zlatohlary, Victor A. | 33083401 | Co "E"       |
| Pfc    | ·Langley, John H.      | 34813175 | Co "F"       |
| 1st Lt | ·Oas, Clayton D.       | 01311345 | Co "F"       |
| Pfc    | ·Pala, Anthony J.      | 33508829 | Co "F"       |
| S/Sgt  | ·Arthur, Pope W.       | 34088851 | Co "F"       |
| Pvt    | ·Smith, Thomas         | 32897734 | Co "F"       |
| S/Sgt  | ·Dugan, James D.       | 20708512 | Co "F"       |
| Sgt    | ·Joyce, William E.     | 31302548 | Co "F"       |
| Pfc    | ·Flood, Hugh E.        | 33687511 | Co "F"       |
| Pfc    | ·Duran, Jesse J.       | 36661958 | Co "F"       |
| Pfc    | ·Goolsby, Richard E.   | 32815737 | Co "F"       |
| Pfc    | ·Buckner, Levi B.      | 18079997 | Co "F"       |
| Sgt    | ·Meeuwse, Jake J.      | 36407367 | Co "F"       |
| Pvt    | ·Pate, John T.         | 34813107 | Co "C"       |
| Pfc    | ·Revelle, William E.   | 34671374 | Co "I"       |
| Pvt    | ·Martin, James O.      | 35752144 | Co "I"       |
| Pfc    | ·Ziegler, Herbert J.   | 37273804 | Co "I"       |
| Pvt    | ·Vernon, James E.      | 39402108 | Co "K"       |
| Pfc    | ·Futie, Samuel J.      | 31331393 | Co "K"       |
| Pfc    | ·Lucchesi, Hugo J.     | 36831852 | Co "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·Taylor, J. L.         | 34813171 | Co "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·Kraus, Gerald J.      | 42010608 | Co "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·Pirulli, Michael A.   | 33797384 | Co "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·Zukowski, John S.     | 31421111 | Co "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·Miller, Alfred G.     | 35730149 | Co "K"       |
| Pfc    | ·Swider, Joseph F.     | 37025954 | Co "K"       |
| Pfc    | ·Haynes, Gene H.       | 34775051 | Co "K"       |
| Cpl    | ·Lajaunie, Lawrence    | 38265989 | Co "L"       |

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2. Wounded in action

2 June 1944

|      |                      |          |        |
|------|----------------------|----------|--------|
| Pfc  | ·Kovacic, Anthony J. | 33761524 | Co "L" |
| Pfc  | ·Takos, Andy (NMI)   | 35218107 | Co "L" |
| Pvt  | ·Lake, Churchill S.  | 32944724 | Co "L" |
| Sgt  | ·Mack, Percy         | 32341258 | Co "L" |
| Pfc  | ·Lenhard, Wilbert J. | 32845045 | Co "L" |
| Pfc  | ·Eldridge, Lowell H. | 36484786 | Co L   |
| Cpl  | ·Spiewak, Charles R. | 20112451 | Co "L" |
| Capt | ·Sbaffi, John (NMI)  | 01290483 | Co "L" |

3 June 1944

|        |                        |          |              |
|--------|------------------------|----------|--------------|
| 2nd Lt | ·Derber, Ward H.       | 01319141 | Hq Co 1st Bn |
| Pvt    | ·Clary, Kenneth A.     | 11080273 | Co "A"       |
| Pvt    | ·Lawrence, Alfred L.   | 33600500 | Co "D"       |
| Pfc    | ·Moorehead, Russell T. | 35752284 | Co "D"       |
| Pvt    | ·Haines, Joseph G.     | 33795829 | Co "E"       |
| Sgt    | ·Lamson, Harley D.     | 20708313 | Co "E"       |
| Pvt    | ·Geller, George        | 32591172 | Co "E"       |
| Capt   | ·Lance, Alden S.       | 01290440 | Co "F"       |
| Pvt    | ·Lawton, Warren M.     | 37534441 | Co "F"       |
| Sgt    | ·White, Belvin E.      | 33092375 | Co "G"       |
| Pvt    | ·O'Brien, Thomas C.    | 37357298 | Co "G"       |
| Pvt    | ·Erickson, Kernin V.   | 36815502 | Co "G"       |
| Pfc    | ·Tanner, Charlton      | 34448890 | Co "G"       |
| Pfc    | ·Annamann, Paul T.     | 33436059 | Co "G"       |
| Pvt    | ·Wierzgac, William C.  | 36669855 | Co "G"       |
| Pvt    | ·Davis, Otis A.        | 31322507 | Co "G"       |
| Pvt    | ·Kolodge, Leonard L.   | 37555718 | Co "G"       |
| Pvt    | ·Healy, John W.        | 39137692 | Co "G"       |
| Pfc    | ·Smith, Charles M.     | 36869327 | Co "I"       |
| Sgt    | ·Wild, David           | 36307208 | Co "K"       |
| Sgt    | ·McCarthy, John P.     | 33469082 | Co "K"       |
| Pvt    | ·George, Willard F.    | 34678701 | Co "K"       |
| Pfc    | ·Holbrook, Guy C.      | 39683330 | Co "L"       |
| Pfc    | ·Gardner, Charles R.   | 36735084 | Co "L"       |
| Pvt    | ·Meyers, George E.     | 35235229 | Co "L"       |

4 June 1944

|       |                        |          |        |
|-------|------------------------|----------|--------|
| Pfc   | ·Lipner, Ralph I.      | 35556972 | Co "B" |
| S/Sgt | ·Rubino, Michael (NMI) | 32622087 | Co "F" |
| Pfc   | ·Perone, Anthony L.    | 33623473 | Co "F" |
| Pvt   | ·Treolo, Joseph        | 35659919 | Co "G" |
| Pfc   | ·Hardin, William D.    | 34516524 | Co "H" |
| Pvt   | ·Martin, Paul C.       | 12173989 | Co "H" |

5 June 1944

|       |                       |          |         |
|-------|-----------------------|----------|---------|
| Tec 4 | ·Abodeely, Robert J.  | 20718601 | Med Det |
| Pvt   | ·Scott, Dewey R.      | 34891034 | Co "A"  |
| Pfc   | ·Thompson, Beverly E. | 20112617 | Co "A"  |
| Pfc   | ·Arthur, Frank L.     | 18046873 | Co "A"  |
| Pvt   | ·Carten, William F.   | 31338678 | Co "A"  |
| Pvt   | ·Johnson, Junius T.   | 34679346 | Co "C"  |

(SECTION VI -- LOSSES IN ACTION, Continued)

2. Wounded in action

6<sup>th</sup> June 1944

Sgt Butman, Robert J. 31370508 Co "A"

8 June 1944

Pfc Telix, Alfonso 39543119 Co "K"  
Pfc Boler, Orvis W. 371441183 Co "K"  
S/Sgt Adahl, Simon O. 37027539 Co "K"  
Pvt Gerzabek, John A. 31335282 Co "K"  
Pfc Ewald, Harvey P. 36241327 Co "D"  
Pfc Prince, William D. 36306600 Co "K"  
Pfc Hilliard, Albert F. 33403184 Co "K"

9 June 1944

Pfc Ricci, Rudolph J. 35629064 Co "A"

28 June 1944

Pvt Flammer, William 32919606 AT Co

30 June 1944

Pvt Balogh, Frank (MIA) 32906882 Hq Co  
Tec 5 Karges, Erwin S. 37025804 Med Det  
Pfc Nitschke, Isadore (MIA) 37028788 AT Co  
1st Lt Linden, Eugene J. 01297747 Co "D"  
Pfc Rakow, Kenneth E. 20708920 Hq Co 2nd Bn  
Pfc Kutzler, James S. 33830761 Co "E"  
T/Sgt Fay, James C. 32330730 Co "E"  
Pvt Anderson, Lester N. 39619795 Co "E"  
Pfc Rivera, Julio (MIA) 32873198 Co "E"  
S/Sgt Finley, Forrest O. 37101746 Co "F"  
Pfc Cratch, Murray D. 34670658 Co "F"  
Pvt Crapet, Joe A. 34705842 Co "F"  
Pvt Campbell, James H. 34766813 Co "F"  
Pfc Frun, Acie E. 35761395 Co "F"  
Sgt Gibson, Hubert V. 14032201 Co "F"  
Pfc Mahnich, Frank L. 36761600 Co "F"  
Pfc Suiro, Nick (MIA) 35587854 Co "F"  
Pfc Bahr, William E. 36747137 Co "F"  
Pfc Kerr, Edward H., Jr. 32454490 Co "F"  
Pfc Follo, Arialdo C. 32795766 Co "F"  
Pfc Czerwinski, Sigmund J. 36230742 Co "F"  
Pfc Long, Wilbur W. 34449272 Co "F"  
Pvt Smith, Thomas (MIA) 32897734 Co "F"  
Pvt Varga, John W. 42017881 Co "F"  
Pfc Jaramillo, Jessie 36579085 Co "F"  
2nd Lt Wolf, George B. 01316259 Co "G"  
Sgt Bosley, Robert A. 35171300 Co "G"  
Pfc Danz, Robert H. 32921090 Co "G"  
Pfc Malone, Dave 34490562 Co "G"  
Pvt Cappellano, Joseph J. 31423331 Co "G"  
Pvt Javorsky, Thomas W. 32928259 Co "G"

(SECTION VI -- LOSSES IN ACTION, Continued)

2. Wounded in Action

30 June 1944

|        |                      |          |        |
|--------|----------------------|----------|--------|
| Cpl    | Mosher, Clarence     | 36575715 | Co "G" |
| Pfc    | Baldwin, Charlie J.  | 33634478 | Co "G" |
| 2nd Lt | McCaffrey, Donald F. | 01323452 | Co "H" |
| Sgt    | Schmelzer, John D.   | 33295229 | Co "H" |
| S/Sgt  | Allas, Peter H.      | 20708901 | Co "H" |

3. Missing in Action

1 June 1944

|       |                    |          |        |
|-------|--------------------|----------|--------|
| Pvt   | Cross, Winston P.  | 34730989 | Co "C" |
| S/Sgt | Stach, Peter       | 33358788 | Co "C" |
| S/Sgt | Kennedy, Leon O.   | 20709560 | Co "L" |
| Pfc   | Poland, Leonard I. | 36480115 | Co "L" |

2 June 1944

|     |                   |          |        |
|-----|-------------------|----------|--------|
| Pfc | Goodson, Glenn E. | 34805444 | Co "I" |
| Pfc | Drew, Carlton J.  | 10600182 | Co "I" |
| Pvt | Pickell, Kobert   | 32923619 | Co "K" |

3 June 1944

|     |                  |          |        |
|-----|------------------|----------|--------|
| Pvt | Mykulyn, Michael | 33601850 | Co "C" |
| Pfc | Yawn, Omar L.    | 34449211 | Co "H" |
| Pvt | Pease, Edward J. | 36454096 | Co "I" |

4 June 1944

|     |                     |          |        |
|-----|---------------------|----------|--------|
| Pfc | Duke, Fred J.       | 34729106 | Co "F" |
| Pfc | Doppelheuer, Roy R. | 33441001 | Co "L" |
| Pvt | Kmetek, Fred        | 6880151  | Co "L" |
| Pfc | Kolb, Douglas P.    | 32732881 | Co "L" |
| Pvt | Richwein, Edward H. | 36876377 | Co "L" |
| Pfc | Hersant, Henry F.   | 36617937 | Co "L" |
| Pfc | Lehmann, Kobert W.  | 32797683 | Co "L" |

5 June 1944

|        |                    |          |          |
|--------|--------------------|----------|----------|
| Lt Col | Sweeting, Harry W. | 019168   | Regtl Hq |
| Pvt    | Grimm, Eugene G.   | 33719003 | Serv Co  |

8 June 1944

|     |                  |          |        |
|-----|------------------|----------|--------|
| Pvt | Tursi, Daniel J. | 33784577 | Co "L" |
|-----|------------------|----------|--------|

B. LOSSES IN ITALIAN CAMPAIGN PRIOR TO JUNE 1944 BUT NOT INCLUDED IN PREVIOUS LISTINGS

1. Killed in Action

29 November 1943

|       |   |          |        |
|-------|---|----------|--------|
| S/Sgt | Glover, Ivan L.<br>(Previously listed as MIA) | 10600279 | Co "C" |
|-------|---|----------|--------|

(SECTION VI — LOSSES IN ACTION, Continued)

1. Killed in Action

|   |       |                       |          |         |
|---|-------|-----------------------|----------|---------|
|   |       | 2 February 1944       |          |         |
| * | Pvt   | Bartelt, Leonard M.   | 36818848 | Co "L"  |
|   |       | 9 April 1944          |          |         |
|   | Pvt   | Del Grosse, George A. | 33733251 | Co "I"  |
|   |       | 24 May 1944           |          |         |
| * | Pfc   | Moore, Lonnie V.      | 34813580 | Co "K"  |
|   |       | 26 May 1944           |          |         |
| * | Pfc   | Moorhead, Robert D.   | 35631523 | Co "A"  |
|   | Pfc   | Schwark, Charles O.   | 35062161 | Co "B"  |
|   |       | 29 May 1944           |          |         |
|   | Pfc   | Kops, Frank J.        | 36818712 | Co "G"  |
|   | Tec 5 | Reuss, William J.     | 37145331 | Med Det |
|   |       | 30 May 1944           |          |         |
| * | Pfc   | Faulkner, Howard J.   | 34821701 | Co "G"  |
|   | Pfc   | Albano, Joseph        | 33671205 | Co "A"  |
|   |       | 31 May 1944           |          |         |
| * | Pfc   | Richard, Archie E.    | 35651964 | Co "E"  |
|   | Pfc   | Kleczowski, Edward J. | 36662429 | Co "F"  |
|   | Cpl   | Golemac, Ubert M.     | 39034372 | Co "A"  |
|   | Fvt   | Crews, Ellis          | 34268341 | Med Det |
| * | Pvt   | Keenan, John J.       | 42031498 | Co "E"  |
|   | Pvt   | LaChappelle, Perry P. | 36759325 | Co "F"  |

\* Died of wounds after being evacuated to Hospital.

2. Wounded in Action

|  |     |                    |          |        |
|--|-----|--------------------|----------|--------|
|  |     | 23 May 1944        |          |        |
|  | Pvt | Melton, Charles L. | 34771177 | Co "A" |
|  |     | 28 May 1944        |          |        |
|  | Pfc | Friedman, Sanford  | 35060215 | Co "L" |
|  |     | 29 May 1944        |          |        |
|  | Pvt | Fitio, Harry       | 33784003 | Co "G" |
|  |     | 30 May 1944        |          |        |
|  | Cpl | Gress, Peter J.    | 37025505 | Co "F" |
|  | Pfc | Long, Dean R.      | 33746246 | Co "F" |
|  | Pfc | Bahr, William E.   | 36747137 | Co "F" |

(SECTION VI -- LOSSES IN ACTION, Continued)

2. Wounded in action, continued

|     |                      |             |          |        |
|-----|----------------------|-------------|----------|--------|
|     |                      | 30 May 1944 |          |        |
| Pvt | Atkins, Bernard      |             | 31371707 | Co "G" |
|     |                      | 31 May 1944 |          |        |
| Pfc | Dollar, John D., Jr. |             | 34813176 | Co "B" |
| Pfc | Clayton, Charles E.  |             | 34827208 | Co "F" |

3. Missing in Action

|     |                      |                 |          |        |
|-----|----------------------|-----------------|----------|--------|
|     |                      | 5 February 1944 |          |        |
| Pfc | Maira, Frank A.      |                 | 32951336 | Co "C" |
| Pfc | Nichols, Junior K.   |                 | 35768075 | Co "C" |
|     |                      | 8 February 1944 |          |        |
| Pfc | Karczynski, Frank C. |                 | 36669838 | Co "B" |

S U M M A R Y

|                    | <u>Officers</u> | <u>Warrant<br/>Officers</u> | <u>Enlisted<br/>Men</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Killed in Action:  | 3               | 0                           | 79                      |
| Wounded in Action: | 13              | 0                           | 243                     |
| Missing in Action: | 1               | 0                           | 22                      |
| Captured:          | 0               | 0                           | 0                       |

SECTION VII --- CITATIONS AND AWARDS, 1 June through 30 June 1944.

A. THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER AND ENLISTED MEN HAVE BEEN AWARDED THE DECORATIONS AND AWARDS AS INDICATED BELOW:

1. Silver Star

a. WILLIE H. WHITTINGTON, 34706581, Private, Company "E", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 3 December 1943, in the vicinity of Salvoni, Pantano, Italy. During a forced march by his Battalion to relieve another unit, Pvt. Whittington, carrying needed ammunition for an 81mm mortar, was wounded in two places, when part of the column was subjected to heavy enemy artillery concentration. With complete disregard for his own welfare Pvt Whittington refused to seek medical aid and insisted on carrying on despite his painful wounds, until he succeeded in bringing the vitally-needed ammunition to the new position. Such personal courage and devotion to duty was an inspiration to his entire company and a great credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Foley, Alabama.

b. NICHOLAS E. CALABRESE, 32181569, Sergeant, Company "C", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on \*\* January 1944, in the vicinity of \*\*\* Italy. While his company was reorganizing to withdraw, Sgt. Calabrese with another soldier, went forward from the Company position into a heavily mined area to evacuate the wounded who were in front of the position. Although under direct observation of the enemy and under heavy fire from both mortars and machine guns, Sgt. Calabrese and his comrade worked for three hours removing seven of their wounded comrades to safety behind the Company's position. Sgt. Calabrese's coolness and bravery in the face of grave danger was highly commendable and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Brooklyn, New York.

c. BRUCE J. MORROW, 37025733, Staff Sergeant, Company "B", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on the night of \*\* January 1944, in the vicinity of \*\*\* Italy. Sgt. Morrow was bringing equipment up to his Company's position and in order to reach his Company he had to cross a 100-foot clearing which was cleverly mined and under observation by the enemy. When he started into the clearing the enemy laid down a barrage of mortar fire, but with complete disregard for his own personal safety he continued to cross the clearing. Although he was wounded in the head by a flying shell fragment he continued to move forward, endeavoring to get the much needed equipment to his Company, and did not stop until he tripped an enemy "S" mine which blew off one of his feet. Sgt. Morrow's fearlessness and courage in action in the face of grave danger was outstanding and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from: Minnesota Lake, Minnesota.

d. HAROLD (NEI) WITTENBERG, 12086072, Private First Class (then Private), Company "K", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on \*\* January 1944, in the vicinity of \*\*\*\* Italy. Four times during the day, Pfc Wittenberg, a platoon runner, in full view of enemy snipers and machine gunners, crossed through an open place on the approach to \*\*\*\* and ran the gauntlet of snipers within the town to deliver vital messages calling for reinforcements and ammunition for the almost surrounded platoon. On one trip across the open stretch of ground a man who was accompanying him was killed by an enemy sniper, but the constant and extreme danger did not deter Pfc Wittenberg from fulfilling his mission. Pfc Wittenberg's courage and sense of duty to his comrades was exemplary and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Bronx, New York.

SECTION VII --- CHAPTERS AND AWARDS, Continued,

1. Silver Star, Continued.

e. NORMAN J. STAPEL, 36807033, Private First Class (then Private), Company "I", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on \*\* January 1944, in the vicinity of \*\*\* Italy. When an enemy machine gun which had been by-passed in the attack of his Company on \*\*\* opened up from the rear and pinned down the company, Pfc Stapel set out to destroy it. Quietly he worked his way up to the machine gun position and then using his knowledge of German, he called out to the enemy manning the gun. Taking advantage of the instant during which their attention was diverted, he arose quickly and fired a rifle grenade into the position. Immediately he called out for them to surrender and without hesitation the enemy manning the gun surrendered. Pfc Stapel's courageous action was an inspiration to the members of his Company who witnessed the deed, and is a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

f. WILLIAM S. BARKER, 01317870, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action of 5 February 1944, in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy. Lt. Barker, who had been seriously wounded in the leg two days before, led his platoon in the face of fierce enemy resistance in the attack and occupation of the high ground southeast of Hill 445. He was instrumental in repelling seven strong enemy counter-attacks that day in spite of his two-day-old wound, the seriousness of which he repeatedly minimized. Although his leg was very painful, he personally organized his positions and coordinated his rifle and supporting machine gun fire which demanded expert deployment of his few remaining men. That evening, the Company Commander suspecting a broken leg ordered Lt. Barker to the rear and hospital reports later confirmed the Commanding Officer's suspicions. Lt. Barker's courage, loyalty, and unyielding determination, despite his fractured leg, was an inspiration to his weary men and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Borton Harbor, Michigan.

g. JOHN E. DORTCH JR., 32377998, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 February 1944, in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy. After a gruelling five-hour trip with one mule-pack train, carrying rations and water, Pfc Dortch volunteered to lead a second pack train with vitally needed supplies over a natural perilous route which in addition subsequently became the object of an intense mortar and artillery barrage. One of the group was wounded and another rendered unconscious by flying fragments. After being pinned down for a considerable time, Pfc Dortch obtained aid for the two wounded men, reorganized the train and resumed his journey. He soon encountered another terrific barrage, but nevertheless, his valor and determination carried the mule train on to its destination. Pfc Dortch then returned to the position of one of the wounded men whom he had been forced to leave behind and assisted in evacuating him from the locality. In all he had covered the hazardous journey of fifteen miles in sixteen and one-half hours. Pfc Dortch's unfaltering courage and resolution upholds the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Sidona, Tennessee.

h. DONALD B. LANGE, 35791789, Private, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 June 1944, in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. When the forward column of the Regimental Command Post was displacing forward in pursuit of the enemy it was suddenly taken under fire. Pvt. Lange took cover in the vicinity of his vehicle from where he could protect the vehicle which contained message-center equipment, secret code devices and a signal operations instructions which would have been highly valuable to the enemy. Pvt. Lange on his own initiative remained with his vehicle while being continually exposed to enemy small arms fire and heavy concentrations of artillery and for twelve hours he guarded the vehicle against capture by the enemy and then safely retrieved the vehicle and its valuable contents. Pvt. Lange's courageous devotion to duty was exemplary and in keeping with the fine traditions of the military service. Entered military service from: Cincinnati, Ohio.

(SECTION VII -- CITATIONS AND AWARDS, Continued.)

B. THE FOLLOWING ENLISTED SERVICEMEN AND ENLISTED MEN HAVE BEEN RECOMMENDED FOR DECORATIONS AND AWARDS AS INDICATED BELOW:

1. Distinguished Service Cross

a. SELVSTER J. HUNTER, O-1302468, First Lieutenant, Company "G", 135th Infantry Regiment. For extraordinary heroism in action on Hill 593 in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy. 1st Lieutenant Hunter (then 2nd Lieutenant), did organize the remaining riflemen of Company "G" into one platoon totaling eighteen riflemen. He led the assault up the rocky slopes of Hill 593 in the face of murderous enemy machine gun and mortar fire. His bold leadership and aggressive spirit spurred his men on until they reached the rock wall on top of the hill. With eight remaining riflemen he held fast to his positions for forty-eight hours until relief finally arrived. During the forty-eight hours, Lt. Hunter's platoon was under continual machine gun and mortar fire coming from the abbey on his left flank on top of the hill itself. Also, during that forty-eight hours, the enemy launched six savage counter-attacks. During the counter-attacks, Lt. Hunter threw hand grenades and fired his Tommy gun, at time almost point blank, until an enemy bullet ripped through the magazine of his gun knocking it out of his hands. He quickly picked up his weapon and replaced the shattered magazine with a new one and continued firing. The enemy were members of the famed 1st Paratroop Division, and it is estimated that at least fifty of them were killed and wounded during the forty-eight hour period. His men were inspired by his heroic actions and, although tired, cold and hungry, they did not falter from their positions, but continued to fight and throw back the enemy who had far superior numbers. This conduct and initiative of Lt. Hunter in the face of grave danger was an inspiration to his comrades and reflects credit on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: St. Louis, Missouri.

2. Silver Star

a. WALTER H. JOHNSON, O-328283, Captain, Headquarters, 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action from 28 March 1944 to 21 June 1944. Captain Johnson, Regimental Liaison Officer, has performed his duties in an outstanding manner, often in the face of many dangers and hazards. In numerous instances he completed missions while under heavy mortar and artillery fire and on one occasion it was necessary for him to crawl through an enemy minefield under direct enemy observation in order that he might deliver vital documents intrusted to his care. During the capture of Rome and the drive on Viterbo, Captain Johnson acted as liaison officer to CC "A" and found that in order to keep abreast of the situation and maintain effective liaison, it was often necessary for him to accompany the advance elements of the combat command. During this time he encountered the same dangers as the tanks, receiving none of their protection in the one-quarter ton truck in which he was riding. In one stage of the attack, during a heated tank battle, Capt. Johnson and his driver on their own initiative and beyond their normally assigned duty, captured three prisoners all the while being subjected to intense enemy fire. The success of the recent operation and the perfect union in which the infantry worked with CC "A" reflects favorably upon the outstanding liaison work of Capt. Johnson. The manner in which he performed his duties sets a high standard of liaison efficiency. His gallant and heroic actions are of the type that inspire men and brings credit upon the Armed Forces of the United States.

(SECTION VII -- CITIZENSHIP AND AWARDS, Continued.)

2. Silver Star, continued.

b. OWEN G. GILBERT, O-13112001, 2nd Lieutenant, Company "G", 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from; Champagne, Illinois.

WARREN E. AIKEN, 17013181, Staff Sergeant, Company "G", 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from; Lisbon, Louisiana.

EDWARD J. SCHENCKING, 39204689, Private First Class, Company "G", 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from; Blaine, Washington.

For gallantry in action on 6 April 1944 in the vicinity of Cisternia, Italy. At about 1700 hours, 6 April 1944, an enemy artillery shell hit a house on the front lines near Cisternia, Italy, burying three men in a dugout. Immediately, during the continued shelling of the house, and while under full observation and fire of the enemy, Lt. Gilbert, St. Sgt. Aiken and Pfc. Schencking leaped out of their dugout and started liberating the imprisoned men. During the entire time they worked falling debris and shell fragments showered about them, partially burying them as well. Nevertheless, they continued with their efforts, eventually rescuing one of the men, who otherwise would not have survived. Their courage and bravery in the face of great danger was inspiring to the men of the platoon and upholds the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States.

c. EDGAR W. BOGGAN, O-413150, First Lieutenant, Company "E", 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from: Tupelo, Mississippi.

HERMAN L. KOZNATZ, Staff Sergeant, 36031545, Company "E", 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from: Chicago, Illinois.

HARLEY D. LAMSON, 20708313, Sergeant, Company "E", 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from: Mountain Lake, Minnesota.

For gallantry in action on 31 May 1944 in the vicinity of Campoleone, Italy, when a platoon of Company "E" was surrounded by the enemy and receiving heavy machine gun and small arms fire. Lt. Boggan, St. Sgt. Koznutz and Sgt. Lamson in the face of intense enemy fire, crawled to a location one hundred yards from the enemy weapon pits and brought effective mortar fire on the enemy emplacements. This resulted in these positions being neutralized and the infliction of many casualties on the enemy. The company was thus aided in holding the advanced position which it had gained in the attack. The courage and determination displayed by Lt. Boggan, St. Sgt. Koznutz and Sgt. Lamson served to inspire the men of their company and reflects favorably on the Armed Forces of the United States.

d. NELSON L. LINDSTRAED, O-2046692, 1st Lieutenant, Headquarters, 1st Battalion, 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 23 May 1944 near Camporoto, Italy. The 1st Bn. attached prepared German defenses north of Camporoto, Italy. Lt. Lindstreaed, 1st Bn. S-3, volunteered to go 200 yards over open terrain to direct the dispersal of tanks which were bringing heavy artillery fire upon the infantry. Disregarding his personal safety, he started forward under heavy shellfire. After traversing 50 yards, he was wounded in the arm and leg and was unable to continue. His great courage in attempting to bring safety to his comrades was an inspiration to his men and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Upper Darby, Pennsylvania.

(SECTION VII -- CITATIONS AND AWARDS, Continued.)

2. Silver Star, continued.

e. **WESLEY G. ROBINSON**, 33119675, Private, Regimental Headquarters Company, 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 23 May 1944 in the vicinity of Cisternia Di Littoria, Italy. The Regimental Raider Platoon spearheaded the Regimental attack. The orders of this group were to neutralize an enemy strong point 1000 yards to the regimental front, capture any possible prisoners, and return to the line of departure. After completing the designated mission and nearly in their original position, Pvt. Robinson informed the platoon leader that Pvt. William Carb was missing from the group. With no regard as to his personal safety, and knowing that the enemy had observation, Pvt. Robinson volunteered to return to the battle scene in an attempt to locate the missing man. He was forced to cross an open field in the face of grazing machine gun, heavy mortar and artillery fire. After a thorough search, Pvt. Carb was located severely wounded in the back. Carrying the wounded man as best he could, Pvt. Robinson crawled to a defiladed position and applied first aid and then remained with his comrade until the attacking Infantry units passed. At this time he was relieved by the battalion aid men. This gallant act of heroism was most inspirational to the entire platoon and reflects great credit on himself, his unit, and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Norfolk, Virginia.

f. **JAMES J. MANNING**, 32503658, Private First Class, Company "I", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 31 May 1944, near Lanavio, Italy. The enemy launched a heavy counter-attack on positions held by Company "I". Pfc Manning, a platoon runner, was instructed to go approximately 200 yards to the rear and guide the reserve squad forward. This squad was urgently needed to bridge a gap in the lines between Companies "I" and "K". Through heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire, Pfc Manning worked his way to the reserve squad and began to lead them forward. The enemy improved the accuracy of his fire and five members of the squad became casualties. Pfc Manning continued forward without hesitation, placing the squad into position. On his own initiative, he made the hazardous trip to the Company C.P., and reported the casualties, and then guided the litter bearers to the wounded men. Since the enemy did not respect the Red Cross Flag carried by the enemy bearers, this operation was also executed under hostile small arms fire. His disregard of personal safety and devotion to duty was an inspiration to the entire company. Entered military service from: Brooklyn, New York.

g. **RAYMOND J. RUDOLPH**, 33418855, Private, Headquarters Company, 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 14 April 1944 in the vicinity of Cisternia, Italy. While the enemy was shelling the immediate vicinity of the Regimental Observation Post, Pvt. Rudolph, acting entirely on his own initiative, left his place of cover and went to the observation post inside a nearby building. In utter disregard of the intense shellfire which twice scored direct hits on the building, Pvt. Rudolph remained at his self appointed post, located the position of the enemy guns, and then directed counter-battery fire until the enemy guns were silenced. This voluntary act of heroism and determination to seek out and destroy the enemy regardless of cost to self, reflects great credit upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Minneapolis, Minnesota.

h. **JOHN B. KAPINOS**, 33100667, Private First Class, Company "G", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 23 May 1944 in the vicinity of Carone, Italy. While crossing an enemy minefield on 23 May 1944, Pfc Kapinos stepped on a mine causing part of his foot to be blown off. In great need of medical attention yet knowing the area to be dangerous, he waved his comrades and the aid men away in order that they might not be hit by the mines. Being unable to crawl, he tried to get out of the minefield by rolling whereupon he exploded another mine and died upon the field of battle. By sacrificing his own life rather than endangering the lives of his fellow soldiers, Pfc. Kapinos set a high standard of devotion to be followed by other members of the Armed Forces of the United States.

(SECTION VII - AWARDS AND CITATIONS, Continued.)

2. Silver Star, continued

i. WILLIAM P. KEANE, 37037087, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from: Sioux City, Iowa.

RUDOLPH G. NELSON, 20709783, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from: Louisburg, Minnesota.

For gallantry in action in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy on 1 June 1944. The enemy launched a violent counter-attack, supported by heavy artillery and mortar fire. Aware of this fact, S/Sgt. Keane and Pfc. Nelson volunteered to go beyond our front lines and evacuate a wounded officer. As they worked their way forward, they came under direct enemy observation and had small arms fire directed at them. Realizing the great personal risk involved, they continued forward without hesitation, reached the wounded officer, and rendered first aid. S/Sgt. Keane and Pfc. Nelson then carried the wounded officer to the aid station through a gully that was knee deep with water and mud, and covered with brush and briars. Along the entire route they encountered heavy mortar concentrations. At the time of their arrival at the aid station, they were in a state of physical exhaustion; nevertheless, both men immediately volunteered for additional duty as stretcher bearers. They completed three evacuations the same day, using the same route and enduring similar hostile fire. Their complete disregard for their personal safety and their unselfish devotion to duty is exemplary and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States.

j. WALLACE D. GRANGER, 20708306, Sergeant, Company "E", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action in the vicinity of Campoleone, Italy. During the time that his platoon was isolated from "E" company, and while he was out looking for prisoners in enemy held territory, Sgt. Granger was wounded in the back and shoulder. He was so weakened as a result of his wound that he was unable to move for two hours. After partially regaining some of his strength he managed to work his way back to the platoon. Although still in a weakened condition, Sgt. Granger then went out with men from his platoon and pointed out the location of two enemy mortars which had been effective in holding up the attack. These two mortars were later neutralized as a result of Sgt. Granger's heroic action helping to make possible the gaining of the company's line and the continuance of the attack. The courage and determination displayed by Sgt. Granger while in an injured and weakened condition was an inspiration to the men of his platoon and brought credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Exeland, Wisconsin.

k. CHARLES H. BUSSEY, 18074984, Technical Sergeant, Company "G", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action of 1 February 1944. Tech. Sgt. Bussey, then Private First Class, did, through his own initiative and gallantry enable his squad and platoon to take the company objective. During the attack the first scout was wounded thereupon Pfc. Bussey continued to lead the attack up the hill. Near the top of the hill he took as prisoner a radio operator who had been directing fire on the elements, thereby depriving the enemy of vital observation. Upon reaching the top of the hill, he knocked out a machine gun nest which had been holding up the advance, killing one man and wounding another. Tech. Sgt. Bussey then assembled his men and led them into the attack in the face of heavy small arms fire. The attack was successful and resulted in driving the enemy from the hill. The initiative and disregard of personal safety displayed by Tech. Sgt. Bussey was an inspiration to his men and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Big Springs, Texas.

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2. Silver Star, continued.

l. CHARLES L. MELTON, 34771177, Private, Company "A", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on the 9th of February 1944 on Hill 593 above Cassino, Italy. Pvt. Melton was a member of Company "A" as the company advanced on the Monte Cassino Abbey. Fierce enemy counter-attacks forced the company to a defensive position which was ordered to be held at all cost. Friendly and enemy artillery fire falling in the company area had disrupted communications to the rear and flanking units. Pvt. Melton volunteered to take word back to the Battalion C-P and to repair the telephone wire. With neither concealment nor cover he exposed himself to enemy observation, which brought directed fire upon him as he made his way to the C-P. Frequently galling to the ground to escape flying fragments, he reached the C-P in time to raise the friendly artillery fire before casualties were sustained. Returning to the company under the same adverse conditions he mended the wire which enabled the company to direct accurate counter-battery fire upon the enemy. In the evening Company "A" made a flank movement to a position 900 yards NE of the Monastery. At 2200A intense artillery and sniper fire combed the area from three directions, inflicting several casualties and cutting communications. Pvt. Melton again volunteered to take the report of the enemy action to the Bn. C-P. Over the same barren terrain and under a bright moon he made his way toward the Bn. C-P. Sniper fire followed him and shells enveloped him forcing him to fall prone to the ground often. His report of the enemy activity to the Battalion Commander brought counter-battery upon the enemy. Returning to the company he mended the telephone wire. Upon returning to the company C-P he was exhausted mentally and physically. Because of his perseverance, courage and regard for his fellow men above his personal safety in performing these deeds Pvt. Melton made possible the establishment of organized resistance against the enemy counter-attacks. The gallantry displayed by Pvt. Melton is a credit to his organization and to the Armed Forces of the United States.

m. JOHN W. W. DeBLOOM, 33067433, Private, Headquarters Company, 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action at Filignano, Italy on 10 December 1944. When the Regimental Message Center was hit by enemy artillery and seven men were wounded, Pvt. DeBloom left his place of cover and wnet out into the area being shelled, to render first aid. When he found communications out he made his way on foot to a medical aid station one-half mile away and then returned through continuing enemy fire with necessary bandages to render first aid. Upon completion of this task he again set out to repair the communication lines so that he could expedite the evacuation for the wounded. In thus exposing himself three times to heavy enemy shell fire without regard for his own safety, Pvt. DeBloom was instrumental in saving the lives of several of his comrades. His gallant deed is a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States and typifies the heroic heights to which the American soldier, no matter what his job may be, can rise to when the occasion demands it. Entered military service from: Baltimore, Maryland.

n. JOHN W. WHEELER, 35697261, Private, Company "L", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action 1 June 1944 in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. Pfc. Wheeler, did, in the face of an intense enemy artillery barrage and counter-attack, remain at his machine gun after all supporting riflemen had been killed, wounded or dispersed. Constantly being subjected to enemy fire of all caliber and with complete disregard for his personal safety, Pvt. Wheeler delivered numerous casualties on them as they advanced, and succeeded in stopping the counter attack and enabling our remaining riflemen to reoccupy their positions. Pvt. Wheeler's devotion to duty in the face of overwhelming odds was an inspiration to the men of his company and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Westview, Kentucky.

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2. Silver Star, continued

o. FREDERICK G. ECCLESTONE, 36869436, Private First Class, Company "C", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 23 May 1944 in the vicinity of Campo Morto, Italy. On 23 May 1944 in the vicinity of the railroad tracks north of Campo Morto, Pfc. Ecclestone moved forward from his company CP to perform an assigned mission. Making the best possible use of what little natural cover was available, when reaching the railroad tracks, 400 yards to the front of the CP, he observed two enemy soldiers manning a listening post on his left. Covering them with his rifle, he ordered them to surrender. He then searched enemy dugouts along the railroad embankment and captured two or three men from each hole bringing his total to 29 prisoners captured. By taking these prisoners and risking his life in the face of overwhelming odds, he enabled his company and the tanks to reach their objective. Pfc. Ecclestone's complete disregard for his own personal safety, his display of heroic individual initiative, and his demonstration of the superiority of the American over the enemy soldier was a great inspiration to the men of his company and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Detroit, Michigan.

p. CHRISTOPHER J. DILL, 33682657, Private First Class, Company "I", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 24 May 1944 near Velletri, Italy. Company "I" in the attack towards Velletri designated its second platoon as the right forward rifle platoon. This platoon, during a halt for reorganization, placed Pfc. Dill, a Browning Automatic Rifleman, on the flank. Pfc. Dill noticed considerable enemy activity to his front and immediately opened fire. His accurate fire drove a group of the enemy, who were manning a 105mm. Howitzer, into their dugouts. Seeing his advantage, Pfc. Dill, on his own initiative, advanced forward, firing as he moved. Then with the use of hand grenades, he captured twenty prisoners and the gun. His singlehanded feat of capturing the gun and its entire crew, including one officer and nineteen enlisted men removed a serious threat to the advance of his company. His disregard for himself and his courageous devotion to duty is exemplary of the high traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Weedville, Pennsylvania.

q. DAN L. GUNTER, 34152046, Staff Sergeant, Company "B", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on the morning of 23 May 1944 near Lanuvio, Italy. Company "B" moved into the attack toward the Cisternia-Lanuvio Railroad. As the third platoon was crossing flat open terrain, enemy machine guns laid accurate grazing fire upon the platoon, wounding the platoon leader and killing the radio operator. 1st Sgt. Gunter, acting platoon sergeant, totally disregarding his own safety, ran to his platoon leader and rendered assistance. He then immediately assumed command of the platoon and promptly led his men forward. 1st Sgt. Gunter personally led his platoon safely through an enemy minefield, flanking the enemy positions and making them untenable. He then reorganized his platoon in conformity with the company attack plan. His unflinching courage and demonstrated qualities of leadership was an inspiration to his men and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Alexandria, Louisiana.

r. THOMAS E. MCGOWAN, 33425749, Private, Medical Detachment, 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 23 May 1944 near Campo Morto, Italy. During an attack on 23 May 1944, the 1st platoon of Company "C", suffered 17 casualties. Pvt. McGowan, attached to 1st Bn., while under intense enemy artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire, and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, rendered first aid to all of the wounded men. While applying dressings to four men whom he had dragged to a shell hole, Pvt. McGowan received two severe wounds across the back of his shoulder. Despite the serious nature of his injury, he refused treatment until he had finished attending all of the wounded men, at which time he passed into a state of unconsciousness and was later evacuated. By his outstanding and courageous act of heroism, Pvt. McGowan gambled with losing his own life, but he undoubtedly saved others by his self denial.

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2. Silver Star, continued

r. (continued) The gallantry he displayed in going far beyond the normal call of duty served as an inspiration to the Medical Detachment and demonstrated heroic traditions of the Medical Corps to the men of the 1st Bn. Entered military service from: Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

s. RAY W. MORRISON, 20704980, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 1 June 1944 in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. Pfc. Morrison, attached to Company "L", 3rd Bn., company aid man, constantly endured severe hostile artillery, mortar and small arms fire in the execution of his duties. These duties necessarily were in the impact area of hostile fire and were extremely hazardous. Over and above his duty, Pfc. Morrison treated and arranged evacuation for casualties of another unit. On one occasion he personally evacuated a seriously wounded man on his back over a route subjected to continuous hostile fire. His constant presence in extremely dangerous areas provided medical attention, improved morale, and is exemplary of the high traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Chisholm, Minnesota.

t. PHILIP J. RICHTSCHEIDT, 32181242, Private, Headquarters Company, 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action from 22 May to 9 June 1944. During the recent operation including the capture of Rome and the drive on Viterbo, Pvt. Richtscheidt acted as driver for the Regimental Liaison Officer to C.C. "A". It was often necessary for Pvt. Richtscheidt to drive his 2 ton truck with the advance elements of the combat command in order to keep the liaison officer abreast of the situation and maintain effective liaison, thus being subjected to the same dangers as the tanks but receiving none of their protection. On one occasion Pvt. Richtscheidt and Capt. Johnson on their own initiative and beyond their normally assigned duty, left their vehicle and captured three prisoners, all the while being subjected to intense enemy fire. Pvt. Richtscheidt displayed a complete disregard for his personal safety during this period and his conduct was of the type that inspires men and brings credit to the Armed Forces of the United States.

u. CARMINE (NINI) DONADIO, 32432352, Private First Class, Company "E", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action 23 May 1944 in the vicinity of Salerno, Italy. On 13 May 1944, when the platoon leader of one of Company "E"'s platoons was seriously wounded and the platoon held up by a minefield and heavy enemy machine gun fire, Pfc. Donadio made three hazardous trips across the minefield which was under intense enemy fire. Pfc. Donadio not only furnished vital communications to the platoon but also wiped out an enemy strongpoint with the assistance of the company executive officer whom he was guiding to the platoon. Pfc. Donadio's display of courage, stamina, individual initiative and his complete disregard for his own personal safety did much to inspire the men of his company and the results of his heroic deeds played a big part in enabling the company to continue the attack. Entered military service from: Brooklyn, New York.

v. JOHN C. GARST, 35728905, Private First Class, Company "E", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 31 May 1944 in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. After having succeeded in capturing seven prisoners and while returning them to our lines, Pfc. Garst was engaged in a fire fight by three of the enemy. Although outnumbered, he succeeded in killing two of the Germans before the third managed to wound him in the stomach and recapture the seven prisoners. Although critically wounded he managed to escape from the Germans, but instead of going to the nearby medical aid station, he made his way to his platoon which in the meantime had been cut off deep in enemy territory. He gave his platoon leader valuable information about enemy positions which enabled him to safely guide his platoon back to the company positions. By this time Pfc. Garst was in such a weakened condition that it was necessary to dispatch litter bearers to evacuate him.

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2. Silver Star, continued

v. (continued) His self-sacrificing devotion to duty in the face of superior enemy numbers and while seriously wounded was a great inspiration to the men of his company and reflects credit on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Livermore, Kentucky.

w. RICHARD A. RUPPERT, 35752252, Private First Class, Headquarters First Battalion, 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 23 May 1944 north of Campo Morto, Italy. The 1st Bn. was attacking in the direction of the Cisternia-Lanuvio railroad. The enemy laid a severe barrage of heavy mortar fire wounding a Company Commander. Pvt. Ruppert, although himself slightly wounded in the face and nose, with complete disregard for his own safety, administered first aid at once. The attack progressed forward and an enemy self-propelled gun fired at point blank range into the Battalion Forward Command Group, inflicting additional casualties. Pvt. Ruppert was wounded in the leg and his radio was torn from his back by flying shrapnel. Upon the order of the Battalion Commander, he left the radio and started back to the aid station. However, he went two miles to the Rear Command Post and assured himself that another radio and operator were sent to his Battalion Commander. Only then did he report to the aid station for proper medical attention. After receiving medical aid, he insisted that he be returned to duty. Pvt. Ruppert's complete disregard for self and his extreme devotion to duty is an inspiration to the entire Battalion.

x. WILLIAM A. FISHINGER, Staff Sergeant, 33439348, Company "F", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 31 May 1944 in the vicinity of A. Hill, Italy. The First Platoon of Company "F" supported by tanks, successfully attacked and then occupied strongly fortified enemy positions. Because of flat, open terrain the tanks withdrew, leaving both flanks exposed. Before the position could be effectively organized for defense, the enemy counter-attacked violently, forcing the squad defending the left flank to withdraw. Sgt. Fishinger, a machine gun squad leader who was assigned to the defense of the right flank, immediately placed his gun in a new and forward position and opened fire upon the enemy. He assumed command of those men unable to move and so directed his fire as to permit their withdrawal, at the same time killing at least six of the enemy. Friendly artillery, intended to support the defense, fell short and wounded three of his men, one very seriously. Ordering the two slightly wounded men to crawl back, Sgt. Fishinger placed the seriously wounded man on his back and carried him to the comparative safety of the rear. This action was executed under continuous artillery and small arms fire. His initiative, leadership and actions directly resulted in avoiding an encirclement of the right flank of the platoon as well as the evacuation of wounded personnel and is exemplary of the high traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

y. JOHN R. PLUMMER, 32026061, Sergeant, Company "K", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 1 June 1944 in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. During a large scale counter-attack, the enemy succeeded in exposing the right flank of "K" company and leaving it vulnerable to attack. Taking advantage of their initial success, the enemy laid down a heavy mortar and artillery concentration which eventually caused our troops to withdraw from the exposed flank. Sgt. Plummer, however, acting on his own initiative and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, elected to remain at his O.P. throughout the barrage. When the enemy artillery and mortar fire was lifted, the enemy assaulted the flank but were fired upon by Sgt. Plummer and held off until it was possible for our troops to again occupy their former positions. Thus he played an important part in halting the counter-attack and prevented the enemy from working around our flank and the possibility of the company being encircled. This courageous devotion to duty in the face of over-

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2. Silver Star, continued

y. (continued) whose numbers was a great inspiration to the men of his company and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Minneapolis, Minnesota.

z. HARRY L. SNODGRASS, 35213731, Private First Class, Company "I", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy on 2 February 1944. During the action in the vicinity of Hill 706, "I" Company was completely surrounded by the enemy. Not having communications with Battalion Headquarters, Pfc. Snodgrass, a company runner then at Bn. Hq's., was given a highly important message to be delivered to his company commander. With a minimum of delay Pfc. Snodgrass set out on his hazardous task and tried three times to reach his company, but each time he was pinned down by enemy machine gun fire. Finally on his fourth attempt, he was able to gain entrance to his company's lines by crawling 50 yards over a rocky knoll. Pfc. Snodgrass had been given an extremely difficult and dangerous task which he unhesitatingly performed with the least possible delay and against seemingly insurmountable odds. His gallantry set a high standard of determination, loyalty, and courage to be followed by other men in his company and is a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Diamond, West Virginia.

3. Bronze Star

a. THOMAS B. GRIESMER, O-1310100, Second Lieutenant, Company "E", 135th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious achievement in action on 23 May 1944. Lt. Griesmer re-organized the two forward assault platoons after the platoon leader of the right assault platoon had been wounded, and the platoon leader of the left assault platoon had been killed in action, and he led them to complete their mission in reaching the final objective. Entered military service from: Reading, Pennsylvania.

b. NORMAN E. BROWN, O-1286956, First Lieutenant, Company "E", 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action on 23 May 1944 in the vicinity of Carone, Italy. On 23 May 1944, when the platoon leader of one of Company "E"'s platoons was seriously injured and the platoon held up by a minefield and heavy enemy machine gun fire, 1st Lt. Brown, Executive Officer of "E" Company and a runner crossed the minefield under intense enemy fire and succeeded in capturing an enemy strong point consisting of one officer and fifteen enlisted men. Lt. Brown then re-grouped the platoon and moved them up with the assault forces. Lt. Brown's individual initiative and his complete disregard for his own individual safety was an inspiration to the men of his company and reflects credit on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Woodville, New Hampshire.

c. FRED W. LIPPUCCI, O-359982, Major, Headquarters, 135th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious achievement in action on 3 June 1944 in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. When the regimental command post was displacing forward, the convoy of seven 2 ton vehicles received heavy enemy small arms and machine gun fire which was later followed by intense artillery concentrations. Major Lippucci, assistant regimental S-3, on his own initiative and beyond his normally assigned duty assumed command of the men, many of whom had become panicky due to the intensity of the enemy fire. By exercising extremely cautious supervision he was able to infiltrate the safe return of each man and saved all equipment possible. Throughout the entire time that Major Lippucci remained at the scene of the catastrophe, he was constantly exposed to heavy concentrations of enemy artillery fire. By his leadership and coolness under fire he restored confidence in his men and was directly responsible for saving many lives which might otherwise have been lost. His devotion to his fellow soldiers and his complete disregard for his personal

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3. Bronze Star, continued

c. (continued) safety exemplify the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Morgantown, West Virginia.

d. CHARLES P. GREYER, O-269157, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action on 1 June 1944 south of Lanuvio, Italy. Lt. Col. Greyer, did, during an intense enemy barrage, when all the others had sought safety, remain at his post and direct artillery fire on a large scale enemy counter-attack. This artillery support had been made possible by Lt. Col. Greyer's foresight in having previously established liaison and provided communications with four battalions of corps artillery. As a result of his heroic action, accurate and intense artillery was brought to bear on the advancing enemy troops, breaking up the counter-attack before the enemy was able to penetrate our lines and inflicting between 300 and 350 casualties on the participating troops. The keen foresight, devotion to duty, and complete disregard of personal safety displayed by Lt. Col. Greyer was an inspiration to the men of the entire regiment and reflects credit upon the chosen commanders of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from: Morgantown, North Carolina.

e. RICHARD R. FOSBURG, O-1320833, Second Lieutenant, Company "B", 135th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious service in action on 1 June 1944 near Pastorella, Italy. Lt. Fosburg's leadership held his platoon together under extreme stress and eliminated the danger of enemy counter-attacks over that particular terrain. His leadership was responsible for holding casualties to a minimum and served as an inspiration to all his men and is a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Galesburg, Illinois.

f. CHARLES H. SMITH, JR., O-1290495, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 2nd Battalion, 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered service from: Barboursville, Kentucky.

RICHARD BARDEN, O-1303834, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 2nd Battalion, 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from: Patterson, New Jersey.

PAUL E. FIEBER, O-1286265, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 2nd Battalion, 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from: Wooster, Ohio.

For heroic achievement in action during the period 1 February to 14 February 1944 in the vicinity of Hill 593 near Cassino, Italy. Lts. Smith, Barden and Fieber were responsible for the extremely important mission of supplying the Bn. with food, water and ammunition, and throughout the fourteen days these officers made a daily journey of 12 miles with a 100-mule train over a very rugged and slippery mule trail that was constantly subjected to enemy fire. Their untiring, unselfish, heroic devotion to a very dangerous and exhausting job upholds the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States.

g. THOMAS R. MOORE, 37027463, Staff Sergeant, Company "G", 135th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 2 June 1944 in the vicinity of Albano, Italy. During the above named action, S/Sgt. Moore saw one of his men, Pvt. Faulkner, seriously wounded by a shell burst during a heavy barrage of mortar fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, S/Sgt. Moore crawled through this heavy barrage and brought Pvt. Faulkner back where medical aid was available. This immediate action on S/Sgt. Moore's part was responsible for saving the life of Pvt. Faulkner. Immediately after this gallant act, S/Sgt. Moore returned to his position and fulfilled his duties as platoon sergeant. This conduct was an inspiration to all the comrades of S/Sgt. Moore and reflects credit on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Rochester, Minnesota.

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3. Bronze Star, continued

h. JAMES L. DRISCOLL, 32116014, Corporal, Service Company, 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroism in action on the night of 31 May 1944 near Lanuvio, Italy. On his own initiative and beyond his normal assigned duty, Cpl. Driscoll volunteered to go out beyond our lines to retrieve a 6x6 truck and its load of 81mm mortar ammunition needed by the heavy weapons company for support of the battalion. The vehicle had been sitting in "No Man's Land" for 24 hours and subjected to enemy mortar and small arms fire. Due to this, the mobility status of the vehicle was unknown nor was it known whether or not the enemy had tampered with the vehicle during the night. Knowing these facts, Cpl. Driscoll disregarded his own personal safety and evacuated the vehicle under continuous sniper and small arms fire which could have exploded the cargo at any moment. Due to his action, the weapons company received the ammunition to support the advance and to capture their objective. Cpl. Driscoll's gallant act was an inspiration to the entire company and reflects great credit on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: New York City, New York.

i. ALBERT H. WOERDEHOFF, 37026272, Staff Sergeant, Company "E", 135th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious achievement in action in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy on 3 June 1944. Sgt. Woerdehoff, did, skillfully direct his men in such a manner that they were able to inflict many casualties on an enemy patrol and capture six prisoners. Possessing a knowledge of German, Sgt. Woerdehoff interrogated the prisoners and gained valuable information concerning an enemy withdrawal. As a result of Sgt. Woerdehoff's quick thinking, display of initiative, and qualities of leadership, small arms and machine gun fire was brought to bear on the enemy, hampering his withdrawal and causing many casualties. This served as an inspiration to the men of his company and reflects credit on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Jordan, Minnesota.

k. THOMAS S. McCORMICK, 33642075, Private First Class, Company "F", 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action on 2 June 1944 in the vicinity of Aprilia, Italy. Company "F" attacked enemy positions, received heavy enemy fire and was forced to withdraw. Pfc. McCormick and a companion voluntarily remained and began the evacuation of a seriously wounded comrade. Disregarding heavy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire, they carried him the entire distance to our lines. Pfc. McCormick's great courage and voluntary exposure of self was an inspiration to the company and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States.

l. FREDERICK J. WILCOX, 32063999, Technical Sergeant, Company "G", 135th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious achievement in action on 2 January 1944 near Mt. Chaia, Italy. Tech. Sgt. Wilcox, did, on his own initiative reorganize Company "G" and move them forward to more advantageous positions in the absence of his company commander. This reorganization was accomplished under heavy enemy fire at a time when the morale of the company was at a low ebb, and was responsible for the success of the attack. After the reorganization was completed Tech. Sgt. Wilcox took over self appointed task of supervising the evacuation of wounded men. The conduct and initiative of Tech. Sgt. Wilcox in the face of grave danger was an inspiration to his comrades and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Jersey City, New Jersey.

m. MATHEW L. KIELTYKA, 31345990, Private First Class, Company "F", 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action on 2 June 1944 near Aprilia, Italy.

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3. Bronze Star, continued

m. (continued) On 2 June 1944 in the vicinity of Aprilia, Italy, Company "F" attacked enemy positions, received heavy enemy fire and was forced to withdraw. Pfc. Kiertyka and a companion voluntarily remained and began the evacuation of a seriously wounded comrade. Disregarding heavy artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire, they carried him the entire distance to our lines. Pfc. Kiertyka's great courage and voluntary exposure of self was an inspiration to the company and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States.

n. LENARD (NMI) TALKINGTON, 34706759, Private First Class, Company "E", 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action on 2 and 3 June 1944 in the vicinity of Campoleone, Italy. Pfc. Talkington, did, keep in a constant state of repair, the lines from his company command post to the mortar section. The wires were continually being knocked out by heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire and despite the fact that he was often told to stay under cover, Pfc. Talkington continued to repair the breaks as they occurred. At times he came under direct enemy observation and had to crawl as far as 50 yards under enemy machine gun fire. As a result of his heroic actions the mortars were able to bring accurate fire on the enemy thus enabling Company "E" to continue the attack. Pfc. Talkington's disregard for his personal safety and his devotion to duty was an inspiration to the men of his company and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States.

o. KENNETH W. BLAKE, 20709053, Technical Sergeant, 3rd Battalion Headquarters Company, 135th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious service on 1 June 1944 south of Lanuvio, Italy. After numerous determined but unsuccessful attempts to rescue three ammunition trucks which he had been forced to abandon in an area under heavy enemy fire. Tech. Sgt. Blake on the night of 1 June 1944 finally succeeded in retrieving these trucks with the valuable loads of ammunition. He exposed himself to heavy enemy machine gun and mortar fire and minefields while accomplishing his self appointed mission. Sgt. Blake's courageous determination and complete disregard for his own personal safety acted as an inspiration to the men of the pioneer and ammunition platoon and reflects favorably upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Appleton, Minnesota.

p. JOHN J. JURICK, 32926269, Sergeant, Company "B", 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action on the 31st of May 1944 in the vicinity of Pastorella, Italy. Company "B" launched an attack, the first objective being enemy positions on a knoll approximately 700 yards to their front. Having advanced 300 yards, the entire company was pinned down by heavy artillery and mortar barrage as well as grazing rifle and machine gun fire. Sgt. Jurick, then Private First Class, noticing that his squad leader was wounded and knowing that no aid man was available, immediately left his small shelter and rendered first aid. He further evacuated his squad leader to the company command post and returned through heavy enemy fire to his squad. Immediately upon finding the squad disorganized, he assumed command, organized the squad, and reported the situation to his platoon leader. His complete disregard for his own safety, his courage and leadership was an inspiration to the entire platoon and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Cliffside, New Jersey.

q. ROBERT M. GAYLOR, 13133169, Private First Class, Company "G", 135th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious achievement in action on 4 February 1944 near Cassino, Italy. Pfc. Gaylor, did, during a fierce counter-attack, expose himself to heavy machine pistol, machine gun, and mortar fire to bring a supply of ammunition and to string wire to his platoon's position.

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3. Bronze Star, continued

q.(continued) With this sorely needed ammunition and wire, the platoon was able to hold off the enemy and to call for artillery fire to break up the counter-attack. Pfc. Gaylor's disregard for his own personal safety and his devotion to duty saved his platoon from being overrun by the enemy. His action reflects great credit upon his organization and it yet typical of the heroic traditions of our Armed Forces. Entered military service from: Ridgway, Pennsylvania.

r. JOHN J. KELLY, 32726783, Private First Class, Company "C", 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from: Ridgway, Pennsylvania.

GEORGE W. BUTLER, 33598806, Private, Company "C", 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

For heroic achievement in action on 23 May 1944. After "C" company had reached its objective at 2400 hours, Pfc. Kelly and Pvt. Butler established their mortar positions and then set out on their own initiative to undertake the dangerous task of combing the newly acquired area for any enemy personnel that might have been by-passed. Upon entering a large cave, Pfc. Kelly and Pvt. Butler found it to be occupied by the enemy. They ordered the enemy to surrender and upon their refusal, threw in a hand grenade into the cave. Fourteen men, including one captain and one lieutenant, then surrendered. As a result of the action of these two men, an infantry battalion C. P. was neutralized and highly valuable enemy maps and doubly important documents captured. The courageous action and quick thinking displayed by Pfc. Kelly and Pvt. Butler was an inspiration to the men of Company "C" and reflects credit on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

s. WILLIAM A. RICE, 35796568, Private, Medical Detachment, 135th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious achievement in action on 30 May 1944 in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. Pvt. Rice, attached to 3rd Bn., a member of a litter squad, displayed unbounded courage and devotion to duty in evacuating casualties from the field of battle. With only two routes of evacuation from the various companies; namely, over a ridge and through a gully, both of which were subjected to heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, he made numerous successive trips with no regard whatsoever as to his personal safety. The highly dangerous task of evacuating the wounded from their own unit as well as a unit from an adjacent division fell largely to the Third Battalion, and his team played a gallant and heroic part in this trying and difficult task. With the red cross prominently displayed on every trip, the enemy continued to fire at him at every opportunity. He heroically faced this danger, and with untiring efforts, finally succeeded in clearing the field of all casualties. His heroic act reflects credit to himself, his unit and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from; Covington, Kentucky.

t. HAROLD (NMI) RANDOLPH, 33281354, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 135th Infantry Regiment. From 30 May to 3 June 1944 in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy, T-4 Randolph, attached to 3rd Bn., distinguished himself by facilitating under fire, the evacuation of a large number of patients. His duties were performed in an exposed area with enemy concentrations often landing in the nearby vicinity. His coolness under fire, his complete disregard for his personal safety, and his deep devotion to duty was an inspiration to his comrades and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Carmichael, Pennsylvania.

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u. CHARLES E. WORD (posthumous) 38241316, Private, Company "B", 109th Medical Battalion. Entered military service from: Houston, Texas.

MILES A. WOODY, 36124378, Private, Company "B", 109th Medical Battalion. Entered military service from: Detroit, Michigan.

NORMAN P. TRAPP, 39179661, Private, Company "B", 109th Medical Battalion. Entered military service from: Snohomish, Washington.

JUDSON H. OSBORNE, 33647338, Private, Company "B", 109th Medical Battalion. Entered military service from: Independence, Virginia.

For meritorious achievement in action from 30 May through 1 June 1944 in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. The above named enlisted men displayed unbounded courage and devotion to duty in evacuating casualties from the field of battle. With only two routes of evacuation for the various companies; namely, over a ridge and through a gully both of which were subjected to heavy artiller, mortar, and small arms fire, this team made numerous successive trips with no regard whatsoever as to their personal safety. The highly dangerous task of evacuating the wounded from their own unit as well as a unit from an adjacent division fell largely to the 3rd Bn. litter bearers, and this team played a gallant and heroic part in this trying and difficult task. With the Red Cross prominently displayed on every trip, the enemy continued to fire at them at every opportunity. It was on 1 June 1944 during a trip in which they were displaying two Red Cross flags that squad leader Word was killed by sniper fire. Undaunted by this catastrophe, the remainder of the squad continued in their hazardous duties until all the casualties had been evacuated. The unbounded courage, loyalty, and devotion to duty so heroically displayed by the group was an inspiration to the entire personnel of the 3rd Bn. and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States.

v. EDWARD (NMI) NELSON, 36306141, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 135th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious service in action from 30 May to 3 June 1944 in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. The 3rd Bn. Aid Station handled an extremely large number of casualties. The cave in which the Aid Station was located was large enough to provide protection for only three litter patients, and the hillside was covered with walking and litter patients. This area received periodic harassing fire from the enemy. T-4 Nelson, with complete disregard of hostile fire, performed the exceedingly hazardous duty of administering to the patients while they awaited evacuation. His courageous conduct and deep devotion to duty is an example and standard for the rest of the unit and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States.

w. ANDREW L. MIHOK, 32568340, Private, Medical Detachment, 135th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious achievement in action from 30 May to 1 June 1944 in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. Pvt. Mihok, attached to 3rd Bn., a member of a litter squad, displayed unbounded courage and devotion to duty in evacuating casualties from the field of battle. With only two routes of evacuation from the various companies; namely, over a ridge and through a gully both of which were subjected to heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, he made numerous successive trips with no regard whatsoever as to his personal safety. The highly dangerous task of evacuating the wounded from their own unit as well as a unit from an adjacent division fell largely to the 3rd Bn., and this team played a gallant and heroic part in this trying and difficult task. With the Red Cross prominently displayed on every trip, the enemy continued to fire at him at every opportunity. He heroically faced this danger, and with untiring efforts, finally succeeded in clearing the field of all casualties. His heroic act reflects credit to himself, his unit and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

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x. ELMER H. LAWRENCE, 37520408, Private, Medical Detachment, 135th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious achievement in action on 30 May and 1 June 1944 in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. Pvt. Lawrence, attached to 3rd Bn., a member of a litter squad, displayed unbounded courage and devotion to duty in evacuating casualties from the field of battle. With only two routes of evacuation from the various companies; namely, over a ridge and through a gully both of which were subjected to heavy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire, he made numerous successive trips with no regard whatsoever as to his personal safety. The highly dangerous task of evacuating the wounded from their own unit as well as a unit from an adjacent division fell largely to the 3rd Bn. and his team played a gallant and heroic part in this trying and difficult task. With the Red Cross prominently displayed on every trip, the enemy continued to fire at him at every opportunity. He heroically faced this danger, and with untiring efforts, finally succeeded in clearing the field of all casualties. His heroic act reflects credit to himself, his unit and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Dighton, Kansas.

y. PETE G. PANAGAKAS, 14183401, Private, Medical Detachment, 135th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious achievement in action from 30 May to 1 June 1944 in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. Pvt. Panagakas, attached to 3rd Bn., a member of a litter squad, displayed unbounded courage and devotion to duty in evacuating casualties from the field of battle. With only two routes of evacuation from the various companies; namely, over a ridge and through a gully both of which were subjected to heavy artillery mortar and small arms fire, he made numerous successive trips with no regard whatsoever as to his personal safety. The highly dangerous task of evacuating the wounded from their own unit as well as a unit from an adjacent division fell largely to the 3rd Bn., and his team played a gallant and heroic part in this trying and difficult task. With the Red Cross prominently displayed on every trip, the enemy continued to fire at him at every opportunity. He heroically faced this danger, and with untiring efforts, finally succeeded in clearing the field of all casualties. His heroic act reflects credit to himself, his unit and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Greenville, South Carolina.

z. WILLIAM J. KING, 33465387, Private First Class, Company "G", 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroic and meritorious achievement in connection with his Company operations against the enemy on Hill 593, vicinity of Cassino, Italy, on 2 February 1944. Upon learning that the Company ammunition was running out, Pfc. King volunteered to try and get ammunition to his company. He made several trips under intense artillery, mortar and small arms fire, to the company's foremost positions with ammunition. This action enabled his company to successfully repel counter attacks and hold their objective.

aa. RONALD A. McCANN, 31368871, Private, Company "L", 135th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious achievement in action on 1 June 1944 in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. During an enemy counter-attack Company "L" began to run low on ammunition. Pvt. McCann on his own initiative, leave his entrenched position, proceed to the ammunition dump, and obtain the much needed ammunition. He was exposed to intense artillery and mortar fire while making the round trip but with grim determination he carried on at his self-appointed task. While our troops continued to be driven back, Pvt. McCann's heroic act of obtaining ammunition under heavy enemy fire enabled them to withdraw in an orderly manner. His devotion to duty in the face of grave danger is of the type that reflects credit on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Wilburn, Mass.

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bb. THEODORE J. HILL, 34608396, Sergeant, Company "M", 135th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious achievement in action on 28 May 1944 in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. Sgt. Hill was assigned the mission of blocking a road against an imminent counter-attack. He placed his squad into position while receiving heavy enemy machine gun and cannon fire from tanks. He then laid enemy mines in front of his position as further security. His calm assurance under fire and deep devotion to duty greatly strengthened the morale of his men and is a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered service from: Reidsville, North Carolina.

cc. THOMAS A. PASTERIK, 33434055, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 5th Infantry Regiment. Entered service from: Conneautville, Pennsylvania.

ORESTE M. DACHILLE, 35343849, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered service from: Toledo, Ohio.

ROY L. HOPKINS, 36750298, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered service from: Chicago, Illinois.

WILLIAM F. HEALY, 32119218, Private, Medical Detachment, 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered service from: Brooklyn, New York.

DAVID (NMI) KOLODOFF, 31056875, Private, Medical Detachment, 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered service from: Providence, Rhode Island.

For meritorious achievement in action on 30 May and 1 June 1944 in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. A litter squad composed of Pfc's. Pasterik, DaChille, and Hopkins and Pvt's. Healy and Kolodoff, attached to the 3rd Bn., 135th Infantry Regiment, displayed unbounded courage, and devotion to duty in evacuating casualties from the field of battle. With only two routes of evacuation from the various companies; namely, over a ridge and through a gully both of which were subjected to heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, this team made numerous successive trips with no regard whatsoever as to their personal safety. The highly dangerous task of evacuating the wounded from their own unit as well as a unit from an adjacent division fell largely to the 3rd Bn., and this team played a gallant and heroic part in this trying and difficult task. With the Red Cross prominently displayed on every trip, the enemy continued to fire at them at every opportunity. This group heroically faced this danger, and with untiring efforts, finally succeeded in clearing the field of all casualties. This heroic act reflects credit to themselves, their unit, and the Armed Forces of the United States.

dd. WAYNE B. LITTLEFIELD, 34385057, Private First Class, Company "G", 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroic and meritorious achievement in action in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy on 2 February 1944. Pfc. Littlefield, acting Communication Sergeant, laid wire under intense artillery and small arms fire between his Company Command Post and the Battalion Command Post. During this operation which lasted for a period of three hours, this area was subjected to heavy mortar and artillery fire. Pfc. Littlefield maintained and kept in repair the only means of communication the Company had with their Battalion Headquarters. This heroic action on the part of Pfc. Littlefield materially aided Company "G" in their attack and ability to hold their objective.

ee. JAMES C. FAY, 32336730, Technical Sergeant, Company "E", 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action on 3 June 1944 at Compoleone, Italy. The platoon commanded by T/Sgt Fay was overrun by the enemy and forced to retreat to another position. Sgt. Fay then reorganized the platoon under heavy machine gun and mortar fire and led them in an attack which regained their former position and enabled the company to continue the advance. This action was an inspiration to the men of the platoon and a credit to the Armed Forces.

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ff. VICTOR M. THOLKES, 37027132, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 2nd. Bn., 135th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious service in action from May 1943 through May 1944. Tec. 5 Tholkes (then Private First Class) took over the responsibilities of Intelligence Section Leader in December 1943. He was aggressive in the handling of his men and has shown initiative in locating observation post in forward areas and commanding terrain. He has been a member of the Intelligence section since May 1943 and has rendered meritorious service ever since by his calmness under fire, quick thinking and reporting of information regarding enemy movements and installations. His devotion to duty upholds the highest traditions of the Soldier of the United States Army. Entered service from: New Market, Minnesota

gg. VINCENT J. DORSEY, 32721061, Private First Class, Company "E", 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroic and meritorious achievement in action of 1 June 1944 near Lanuvio, Italy. Pfc. Dorsey successfully led litter bearers to wounded enlisted men and officer which were lying near a forward tank position under heavy enemy artillery and machine gun fire. This voluntary exposure of self to self-appointed task to aid the wounded men was an inspiration to the entire company and is a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered service from: South Ozone Park, New York.

hh. HADLEY B. SNELL, 34784171, Private First Class, Company "F", 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action on 2 June 1944 in the vicinity of Aprilia, Italy. After an enemy counter-attack had forced Company "F" to withdraw to its former positions, it was found that one of the men of the company was missing. Faint cries had been heard in the area. Pfc. Snell and two other men realizing that they would be subjected to intense fire and beyond their normally assigned duty, crawled to a point 200 yards behind the German lines where they found the man in a seriously wounded condition. Pfc. Snell and his comrades then carried him to safety, possibly saving his life and certainly saving him from capture. Pfc. Snell's devotion to a fallen comrade and his complete disregard for his own personal safety was an inspiration to the men of his company and reflects favorably on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Yulee, Florida.

ii. DONALD J. GLISKY, 20709725, Staff Sergeant, Company "M", 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action on 1 June 1944 near Lanuvio, Italy. During an enemy counter attack, S/Sgt Glisky, on his own initiative and with complete disregard for his personal safety, made three separate trips into an area exposed to enemy observation to repair wire communications between his mortar platoon and the O. P. In all three instances he was subjected to enemy small arm and machine gun fire, but with grim determination, he did not falter at his self-appointed task. When not busy repair in the wires, Sgt. Glisky was at the O. P. directing greatly needed mortar fire on enemy positions to the battalion front. The heroism displayed by S/Sgt Glisky was to a large extent responsible for the repulsing of the enemy counter-attack and the enabling of the company to continue the offensive and served as an inspiration to the men of his company. Entered military service from: Appleton, Minnesota.

kk. CHARLES E. WOODS, 10600203, Private First Class, Company "F", 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action on 2 June 1944 in the vicinity of Aprilia, Italy. After an enemy counter-attack had forced Company "F" to withdraw to its former positions, it was found that one of the men of the company was missing. Faint cries had been heard in the area. Pfc. Woods and two other men realizing that they would be subjected to intense fire and beyond their normally assigned duty crawled to a point 200 yards behind the German lines where they found the man in a seriously wounded condition. Pfc Woods and his comrades then carried him to safety, possibly saving his life and certainly saving him from being captured. Pfc Wood's devotion to a fallen comrade and his complete disregard for his own personal safety was an inspiration to the men of his company and reflects favorably on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered service from: Thursley, England.

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11. JOHN J. MAGEE, 33830837, Private, Company "F", 135th Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action on 2 June 1944 in the vicinity of Aprilia, Italy. After an enemy counter-attack had forced Company "F" to withdraw to its former positions, it was found that one of the men of the company was missing. Faint cries had been heard in the area. Pvt. Magee and two other men realizing that they would be subjected to intense fire and beyond their normally assigned duty crawled to a point 200 yards behind the German lines where they found the man in a seriously wounded condition. Pvt. Magee and his comrades then carried him to safety, possibly saving his life and certainly saving him from capture. Pvt. Magee's devotion to a fallen comrade and his complete disregard for his own personal safety was an inspiration to the men of his company and reflects favorably on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Allentown, Pennsylvania.

12. KENNETH L. BROWN, 35700214, Sergeant, Company "B", 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from: Hartingsburg, Kentucky.

13. ARTHUR L. LATIMER, 31405065, Private, Company "B", 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from: New Haven, Connecticut.

14. HAROLD W. VINSON, 34883124, Private, Company "B", 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from: Chattanooga, Tennessee.

15. CARMEN C. MARRA, 31348041, Private, Company "B", 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from: Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

For heroic achievement in action, on 10 June 1944 in the vicinity of Viterbo, Italy. During an attack to gain possession of the city, Company "E" stopped in the center of the city to reorganize. Discovering from a divilian that a group of the enemy were about one half mile away, Sgt. Brown and Pvts. Marra, Latimer and Vinson immediately volunteered to contact the enemy. Expecting hostile fire at every street intersection, the patrol finally sighted a dozen of the enemy. A fire fight immediately took place, resulting in the wounding and capture of four of the enemy. The remainder of the enemy escaped in a vehicle. However, it is known that two of these were also casualties. The patrol attempted to pursue the enemy in a near-by vehicle, but were unable to start the motor. They then returned to the company and reported. This action by the patrol permitted the entire company to advance later without suffering a single casualty. The display of such aggressive action and devotion to duty was an inspiration to the entire company and a credit to the Armed Forces of the United States.

16. HAROLD E. REDDICK, 37026020, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 3rd Bn., 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered service from: Webster, South Dakota.

17. M. (IO) E. HAMPTON, 38321294, Tec. 5, Headquarters Company, 3rd Bn., 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered service from: Fairfax, Oklahoma.

18. ALFRED C. KENNEDY, 34600208, Tec. 5, Headquarters Company, 3rd Bn., 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered service from: Highpoint, North Carolina.

19. HOWARD D. YOUNG, 33067800, Tec. 4, Headquarters Company, 3rd Bn., 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered service from: Elkridge, Maryland.

20. ROBERT C. BURNS, 37027582, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3rd Bn., 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered service from: York, North Dakota.

21. CHARLES W. BARON, 36407628, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3rd Bn., 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered service from: Vanbala, Michigan.

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nn.(continued) HEID W. HELSCHER, 33440132, Pvt. 1cl, Headquarters Company, 3rd Bn., 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered service from: Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

ADOLPH V. HULT, 36685438, Private, Headquarters Company, 3rd Bn., 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered service from: Chicago, Illinois.

AUGUST F. HAERKAMP, 366044775, Private, Headquarters Company, 3rd Bn., 135th Infantry Regiment. Entered service from: Staunto, Illinois.

For meritorious service in action in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy from 30 May to 2 June 1944. A single draw was the only means of approach and axis of communications for the 1st and 3rd Battalions of the 135th Infantry. The 3rd Bn's. switchboard and all lines both forward and rear were laid along the draw which was continuously subjected to heavy enemy fire. Sgt. Reddick, Tec 5's Hampton and Kennedy, Tec. 4 Young, Pfc's. Burns, Baron and Hilscher and Pvts. Hult and Haferkamp of the 3rd Bn. wire section were called upon innumerable times to repair breaks in the wire and to lay new ones, all under the most trying conditions of combat. With complete disregard for their own personal safety and without the slightest hesitation, these men promptly and efficiently kept communications in repair at all times. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by these men as well as their untiring diligence set a high standard of communication efficiency and reflects favorably upon the Armed Forces of the United States.