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NARRATIVE OF EVENTS
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The 442d RCT continued guarding prisoners of war throughout the month. All battalions and separate companies were employed in this task. On 5 Aug the Regiment was relieved of its attachment to MTOUSA POW Command, was detached from Fifth Army and was attached to Peninsular Base Section. Elements of the 88th Infantry Division effected relief of the Combat Team and Regimental CP moved on 12 Aug to Via Eugenio Sansoni, Leghorn. On 20 Aug, the Regiment was attached to Auxiliary Troops Command for operational control.

Effective 1 August, Lt Col James H. Green, 0328704, CE, having been placed on detached service with the 442d RCT per SO 155, Hq 99th Inf Div, dtd 20 Jul 45, was attached to Hq Pisa, Leghorn, Florence POW-Sub Command per SO 157, Hq 442d RCT, dtd 1 Aug 45.

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BY **ADJUTANT GENERAL**
James H. Green
DOWNGRADING COMMITTEE 9 July 46.....

The 35th Infantry Scout Dog Platoon arrived in the vicinity of Pisa, Italy, 2 Aug per TWX, 5th Army ref #6555, dtd 20 Jul 45 and were used to augment the prisoner-of-war guard.

Per SO 158, Hq 442d RCT, dtd 4 Aug 45, 13 officers from the Combat Team were transferred to the 7th Repl Depot for transshipment to the United States.

Chaplain Masao Yamada, having volunteered his services as an interpreter, was assigned to the 7th Repl Depot for transshipment to the US for the purpose of attending Military Intelligence Service Language School. He was followed on 8 Aug by 42 enlisted men and on 24 Aug a contingent of 30 more enlisted men left the Regiment for the same purpose.

Effective 050001B Aug, 442d Infantry was relieved of attachment to MTOUSA POW Command for operations and detached from Fifth Army and was attached to PBS. Auth: Confidential Directive #39, Hq, MTOUSA POW Command, dtd 6 Aug 45 and Ltr, Hq PBS, file AG 370.5, BPGCT, subj: Unit Assignments and Attachments dtd 8 Aug 45.

By order of HQ PBS ltr file AG 370.5 BPGCT, dtd 14 Aug 45, Company H and Antitank Platoon of Hq Co 2d Bn moved to Naples and upon arrival were attached to 599 FA for operational control only. Relief of Hq Co 3d Bn at Pistoia was effected on 15 Aug 45 by the 28th Ordnance MM Co per teletype msg from 5th Army CCS to PBS Hq.

Confidential telegram from Fifth Army dtd 14 Aug 45 ref 5882 para 2 changed the month for redeployment of the 232d Engineers and 442d Infantry Regiment from February to March.

The news all the world had been waiting for came late in the night of 15 August. The war was officially over and gala celebrations stirred the Allied capitals. The Regiment observed the occasion with a holiday on the 16th.

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Capt Franklin C. Osberg, MC, having joined the Regiment on 12 Aug, was assigned to the Medical Detachment per SO 168, Hq 442d RCT dtd 15 Aug 45.

Swimmers of the 442d RCT took second place honors in the Allied Swimming and Diving Championships held at the Stadio Nazionale, Rome. PFC Charles Oda of the Combat Team was the individual star of the show breaking theater records in four of the events. This coming month, seven members of the team will compete in the MTO, Middle Eastern, ETO finals.

Effective 20 Aug 45, the 442d Infantry Regiment was attached to the Auxiliary Troops Command for operational control per Ltr from Hq PBS, file AG 370.5 BPGCT, dtd 27 Aug 45.

The month closed with the troops at the following locations:

100th Bn CP, Cos B & D coor 034468 map 111-1-SE, Salviano
Co A coor 035467, map 111-1-SE, Salviano
Co C coor 049448, map 111-1-SE, Salviano
2d Bn CP coor 096560, map 111-1, Livorno
Co E coor 096560, map 111-1, Livorno
Co F coor 209472, map 111-1, Livorno
Co G coor 029472, map 111-1, Livorno
Co H coor N2250, 1/200,00, Italy Road Map.
3d Bn CP, Hq Co and Co M coor 531884 map 105-1, Pistoia
Co I coor 779708 map 106-11NW, Firenze
Co K & L Leghorn
AT Co coor 070634, map 104-11 Pisa
Cn Co coor 057507, map 111-1, Livorno
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SUMMARY OF DECORATIONS AND AWARDS--AUGUST 1945.

Posthumous Distinguished-Service Cross	2
Legion of Merit	2
Posthumous Silver Star	8
Silver Star	2
Soldier's Medal	1
Oak Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star	2
Posthumous Bronze Star	5
Bronze Star	42
Oak Leaf Cluster to Purple Heart	12
Purple Heart	17
Combat Infantryman's Badge	46
Good Conduct Medal	135

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GENERAL ORDERS #60, HEADQUARTERS 92d INFANTRY DIVISION, 6 August 1945
AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR.

EDWARD J. NILGES, 01307740, Captain, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action, on 7 April 1945, in Italy. Captain NILGES, a battalion S-3, personally went to check on the locations of units during their attack on a highly strategic and strongly-defended enemy-held mountain. Upon reaching the front, he volunteered to lead a four-man reconnaissance patrol in an attempt to contact another battalion to assure himself of the coordination of the assault. With the four men, he proceeded into a "no man's land" between the two battalions, walking 15 yards ahead of his men in order to draw all enemy fire upon himself. Near the bottom of a slope they spotted the enemy 30 yards away and were simultaneously fired upon by machine guns and machine pistols. Captain NILGES remained in an exposed position to observe the foe after assuring himself that his men were safely under cover. It was while observing that he was killed by enemy automatic weapons fire. Captain NILGES' courageous daring and initiative reflect high credit on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Fairview, Ohio. Next of kin: Mrs. Josephine J. Nilges (Mother), 4209 West 189th Street, Fairview, Ohio.

ROBERT T. KISHI, 39919576, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action, on 8 April 1945, in Italy. Five men were severely wounded under the fire of enemy rifles and three machine guns as their squad was advancing in attack. Private First Class KISHI, a platoon runner, on his own initiative, immediately crawled seventy five yards to within fifty yards of the hostile guns. With his carbine, he placed such accurate fire on the position that one machine gun was silenced. Then, locating the position of another gun, he sneaked upon the German officer manning it, forced his surrender, and took him to the platoon. Private First Class KISHI then engaged in aiding the wounded, and while so doing was mortally wounded himself. Private First Class KISHI's gallant fighting spirit exemplified the highest heroism of the American Soldier. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah. Next of kin: Mrs Josephine N. Kishi (Wife), El Tovar Hotel, Grand Canyon, Arizona.

MITSUO TANJI, 30104271, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action, on 15 October 1944, in France. Private First Class TANJI's squad was in a platoon attack against strongly-defended enemy-held slopes of an important hill. As the platoon gained the crest of the hill, it was subjected to immediate machine gun fire from the left flank and Private First Class TANJI's squad was ordered to flank the hostile emplacement. Private First Class TANJI and two BAR men crawled ahead of the squad for 30 yards until they were within 15 yards of the hostile guns. Under a hail of enemy fire, he crawled forward another 5 yards to a better position.

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As the BAR men prevented the foe from firing their own weapons, Private First Class TANJI threw 3 hand grenades which completely destroyed the enemy weapon and its three-man crew. His courageous action enabled the platoon to complete its mission and reflects high credit on the traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Wahiawa, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii. Next of kin: Mrs. Matsu Tanji (Mother), 908 Kilani Avenue, Wahiawa, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

CLIFFORD T. TOKUNAGA, 30105286, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action, on 26 and 27 June 1944, in Italy. Private First Class TOKUNAGA was forced into hiding behind enemy lines with two companions when cut off from his unit. Private First Class TOKUNAGA boldly captured an enemy soldier by threatening him with a hand grenade. Observing the prisoner's comrades approaching along the same route, he singlehandedly captured the second foe. Leaving the two prisoners in the care of one of his companions, he flanked and ambushed some other enemy soldiers and sent his second companion to cover their escape route. By the element of surprise and again without firing a shot, he captured an enemy officer and an enlisted man. He then fought his way back to his own lines, contacted a patrol and with its assistance, led his two comrades and the prisoners to his unit. Private First Class TOKUNAGA's exceptional bravery and resourcefulness reflects high merit on the United States Army. Entered military service from Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii. Next of kin: Mr. Toshizu Tokunaga (Father), 545-C North Vineyard Street, Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

MINORU NAKAYAMA, 39009950, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 14 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from San Francisco, California. Next of kin: Mrs. Tane Nakayama (Mother) 37-1-A War Relocation Center, Topaz, Utah.

AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

MIKE M. OTAKE, 30104439, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 18 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Waialua, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

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AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. (Cont'd)

DONALD Y. UYENO, 32099146, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 7 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Port Chester, New York.

JAMES N. MORIMOTO, 31048211, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 6 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Stamford, Connecticut.

MANSAKU FUJITA, 39017464, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 5 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

DON H. SHIGAKI, 36980271, Private, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 5 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Fort Sheridan, Illinois.

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AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR.

HITOSHI YONEMURA, 0535145, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action, on 20 and 21 April 1945, in Italy. Second Lieutenant YONEMURA was acting as forward observer for a rifle company in its attack against bitterly-resisting enemy forces in mountainous terrain. He continuously exposed himself to small arms fire in moving forward and discovering more advantageous positions from which to adjust maximum effective fire. Because of the accuracy of his adjustment, the company captured its first objective with minimum delay. An artillery preparation was then directed on the second objective, a hill opposite a valley. As the attacking platoon advanced into the valley, it was pinned down by enemy machine gun fire. The platoon immediately counterfired with his own machine guns. Second Lieutenant YONEMURA, in his desire to give the maximum artillery support to the attacking platoon, remained upright behind a tree in a hail of grazing machine gun and small arms fire. Second Lieutenant YONEMURA was killed in the act of giving artillery support to the attacking riflemen. His gallantry and devotion to duty exemplified the highest traditions of the American Soldier. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California. Next of kin: Mrs. Kyoko Yonemura (Mother), 2-23-E War Relocation Center, Heart Mountain, Wyoming.

SHIGENORI NAKAMA, 30102551, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action, on 27 October 1944, in France. Immediately upon leaving the line of departure, Private First Class NAKAMA's platoon, which was leading an attack, was subjected to heavy enemy artillery and machine gun fire, which seriously wounded the squad leader who was the point of the platoon. The platoon was forced to withdraw to safer positions to avoid sustaining more casualties. Noticing his exposed NCO unattended, Private First Class NAKAMA, disregarded exploding shells and dashed alone to the aid of his wounded comrade. In full view of enemy machine gunners, Private First Class NAKAMA administered first aid to the casualty and dragged him a distance of 75 yards to a ditch which offered comparative safety. After counter-battery artillery fire was called for to neutralize the enemy shelling, Private First Class NAKAMA directed his comrade's evacuation and rejoined his company in the renewal of its attack. His gallant action reflects credit on the traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Honolulu, Hawaii. Next of kin: Mr. Tokuichi Nakama, (Father), P.O. Box 94, Kahuku, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

MICHIRU SUMIDA, 39087879, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action, on 6 April 1945, in Italy. Private First Class SUMIDA's platoon was digging in on a hill occupied after two days of heated engagements. The hill was under direct enemy observation and subjected to sniper fire which wounded a sergeant. Private First Class SUMIDA, without regard for his own life, immediately dashed to the aid of his fellow soldier. Sniper's bullets trailed his course but he did not falter until he had reached the wounded man. As he bent to help his comrade, he was shot and killed by the enemy sniper. Private First Class SUMIDA's gallant heroism reflects credit on the traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Monterey, California. Next of kin: Mr. Bill Sumida (Brother), Poston, Arizona.

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AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL.

WILLIAM P. YANAGIMACHI, 39916450, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy, on 8 April 1945, in Italy. A prime mover overturned into a bomb crater during a blackout move. Of the ten men riding on the vehicle, one was killed and several pinned under the truck. Private First Class YANAGIMACHI managed to quickly free himself from under the vehicle and began to attempt to release two other men. Though suffering from shock and injuries which later hospitalized him for a week, he worked by the light of flashlights, chopping away sideboards and pulling rounds of ammunition away from the bodies of his comrades. Digging under the truck with his hands, he passed ammunition and equipment out to the other men, regardless of the danger of being crushed if the truck should settle as he removed the ammunition which held it up. He finally succeeded in removing both men, now unconscious from suffocation, from under the truck. Such an example of selfless determination reflects high honor on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

HIDEO YONAMINE, 30100982, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 28 October 1944, in France. Entered military service from Honolulu, Hawaii. Next of kin: Mrs. Matsu Yonamine (Mother), 1410 University Avenue, Honolulu, Hawaii.

JACOB Y. YOSHIMURA, 30106282, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 8 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Hilo, Hawaii, Territory of Hawaii. Next of kin: Mr. Choichi Yoshimura, (Father), Camp 6, Waiakia Uka, Hilo, Hawaii, Territory of Hawaii.

AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

TETSUO KOMATSU, 30106095, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 10 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Wailuku, Maui, Territory of Hawaii.

PAUL KOSHI, 37709137, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 9 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

HIDETO TANAKA, 39865273, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 5 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Rivers, Arizona.

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GENERAL ORDER # 62, HEADQUARTERS 92d INFANTRY DIVISION, 11 August 1945.

AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

MASARU IKEDA, 39916624, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 8 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Fort Douglas, Utah.

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GENERAL ORDER #63, HEADQUARTERS 92d INFANTRY DIVISION, 11 August 1945

AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

CONRAD C. TSUKAYAMA, 01998655, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 21 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Kaillua, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

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GENERAL ORDERS #68, HEADQUARTERS, 92d INFANTRY DIVISION, 23 August 1945.

AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

HENRY Y. NAKASONE, 30105354, Private First Class, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 5 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Eleele, Kauai, Territory of Hawaii.

AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

ROY R. SHIOZAWA, 39930082, Private, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 5 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Fort Douglas, Utah. Next of kin: Mr. George Shiozawa (Brother), Route 1, Pocatello, Idaho.

AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

GEORGE OYAMA, 39002945, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 5 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Santa Clara, California.

FRED S. IDA, 30105123, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 8 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Schofield Barracks, Territory of Hawaii.

KAORU NODA, 30104007, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 9 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Schofield Barracks, Territory of Hawaii.

WATARU KOHASHI, 30103898, Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 7 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Hilo, Hawaii.

LESTER C. ZUKERAN, 30102506, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 15 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Kaneoke, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

HERBERT M. HIKICHI, 30104539, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 16 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Waipahu, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

SOTARO SHINNO, 39163551, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 7 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Burbank, California.

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GENERAL ORDERS 69, HEADQUARTERS 92d INFANTRY DIVISION, 23 August 1945

AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

ARTHUR K. NISHIMOTO, 30104794, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 14 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Schofield Barracks, Territory of Hawaii.

NOBORU OGAMI, 30105117, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 6 and 7 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Honolulu, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

TADASHI C. FUJIOKA, 39914538, Technician Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 9 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

TSUMENOBU DOI, 30106207, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 5 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Waimea, Kauai, Territory of Hawaii.

MASAHIRO B. HIGA, 30102703, Private First Class, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 6 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Hahiawa, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

ISAAC IIJIMA, 37672362, Private First Class, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 16 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Topaz, Utah.

CHARLES R. MONDEN, 30104120, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 13 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Hilo, Hawaii, Territory of Hawaii.

NOBORU MORIO, 39917998, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 8 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Fort Douglas, Utah.

KAMEKI MORITA, 36467289, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 10 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

SHIGERU MURANAKA, 39015637, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, on 8 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Long Beach, California.

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GENERAL ORDERS #89, HEADQUARTERS, FIFTH ARMY, 17 July 1945.

AWARD, POSTHUMOUS OF DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS.

JOE M. NISHIMOTO, (35229917), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in action on 7 November 1944, near La Houssiere, France. After three days of unsuccessful attempts by his company to dislodge the enemy from a strongly defended ridge, Private First Class NISHIMOTO, an acting squad leader, boldly crawled forward through a heavily mined and booby-trapped area. Spotting a machine gun nest, he hurled a grenade and destroyed the emplacement. Then, circling to the rear of another machine gun position, he fired his submachine gun at point-blank range, killing one gunner and wounding another. Pursuing two riflemen, Private First Class NISHIMOTO killed one while the other hastily retreated. Continuing his determined assault, he drove another machine gun crew from the position. The Germans, with their key strongpoints taken, were forced to withdraw from this sector. Private First Class NISHIMOTO'S heroic action in breaking the three day stalemate and his fearlessness in the face of grave danger reflect great credit to him and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Marion, Ohio. Next of kin: Mrs. Kiyo Nishimoto, (Mother), 28-12-B, Rohwer WRA, McGehee, Arkansas.

AWARD, POSTHUMOUS OF SILVER STAR.

RENKICHI MATSUMURA, (30105547), Private, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 29 October 1944 near Halley, France. When his company encountered intense enemy fire while attacking a strongly defended hill, Private MATSUMURA crawled forward under concentrated hostile fire to a point within thirty yards of an automatic weapon dugout. Firing his bazooka, he destroyed the emplacement. Pressing onward, he continued to fire his bazooka at enemy positions until his ammunition was exhausted. Hurling two hand grenades, he neutralized another enemy gun position. He then picked up a discarded rifle and pursued the enemy until the hill was completely occupied by his company. The courageous actions of Private MATSUMURA were an inspiration to all and exemplify the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Hilo, T.H. Next of kin: Tamako Matsumura (Mother), Amaulo, Camp 4, Hilo, T.H.

AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

FRED M. KINOSHITA, (39913750), Corporal, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 26 June 1944 to 2 May 1945, in France and Italy. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

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GO #89, Hq Fifth Army, 17 July 1945

AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

SEIKATSU H. KIKUYAMA, (30105897), Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 October 1944 near Bruyeres, France. Entered military service from Lahaina, Maui, T. H.

HAROLD K. FUKUNAGA, (30106389), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 October 1944 near Bruyeres, France. Entered military service from Wahiawa, Oahu, T. H.

FUMIO MASAOKA, (39086329), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 19 October 1944 near Bruyeres, France. Entered military service from Presidio, Monterey, California.

SHIGEMI NAKASU, (30105038), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 October 1944, in the vicinity of Bruyeres, France. Entered military service from Honolulu, T. H.

TSUTOMU OKABAYASKI, (38539943), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 26 June 1944 to 2 May 1945, in France and Italy. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

MASASHI SEWAKE, (30104083), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 October 1944 near Bruyeres, France. Entered military service from Kohala, T. H.

PAUL S. TERUYA, (30104980), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 24 October 1944, near Biffontaine, France. Entered military service from Honolulu, T. H.

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GENERAL ORDERS #103, HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY, 19 August 1945.

AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS.

JOE HAYASHI, (39233508), Private, Infantry, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in action on 20 and 22 April 1945, near Tendola, Italy. Ordered to attack a strongly defended hill which commanded all approaches to the village of Tendola, Private HAYASHI skilfully led his men to a point within seventy-five yards of the enemy positions before they were detected and fired upon by the enemy. After dragging his wounded comrades to safety, he returned alone and exposed himself to small arms fire in order to direct and adjust mortar fire against hostile emplacements. Boldly attacking the hill with the remaining men of his squad, he attained his objective and discovered that the mortars had neutralized three machine guns, killed twenty-seven and wounded many others. On 22 April 1945, attacking the village of Tendola, Private HAYASHI, maneuvered his squad up a steep terraced hill to within one hundred yards of the enemy. Crawling under intense fire to a hostile machine gun position, he hurled a grenade, killing one German and forcing the other members of the gun crew to surrender. Seeing four enemy machine guns delivering deadly fire upon other elements of his platoon, he again exposed himself and launched a grenade, destroying a machine gun nest. Then, he crawled to the right flank of another machine gun position where he killed four Germans and forced the others to flee. Attempting to pursue the enemy, he was mortally wounded by a burst of machine pistol fire. The dauntless courage and exemplary leadership of Private HAYASHI which enabled his company to attain its objective were an inspiration to all and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pasadena, California. Next of kin: Mis Kiyu Hayashi, (Sister), 1-14-E Heart Mt, WRA Center, Cody, Wyoming.

AWARDS OF SILVER STAR.

MASATO NAKAGAWA, (39019095), Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 November 1944, near La Houssiere, France. Attacking a strongly defended ridge after a three day stalemate, Staff Sergeant NAKAGAWA'S platoon was halted by the intense fire of four enemy machine guns. Without thought of personal safety, he crawled into a minefield located between the gun positions and his platoon, cutting wires attached to mines, until he was within thirty yards of the nearest enemy emplacement. Standing up in full view of the enemy, he fired several bursts from his submachine gun into the enemy position, wounding one crew member and causing the other to flee. Continuing forward in the face of heavy fire from another stronghold, he placed effective fire on the gun crew, wounding one and enabling two of his men to destroy the emplacement. Seeing that two of the machine gun nests had been neutralized, the crews of the remaining two hostile positions abandoned their weapons and fled. The inspiring courage and gallantry of Staff Sergeant NAKAGAWA which broke the strength of stubborn enemy resistance are exemplary of the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from San Diego, California.

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AWARDS OF SILVER STAR. (Cont'd)

TAKESHI ONUMA, (30106208), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 November 1944, near Biffontaine, France. When his platoon's advance was halted by the intense fire of a well concealed machine gun on a dominating ridge, Private First Class ONUMA boldly crawled forward through a heavily mined and booby-trapped area until he was only twenty yards from the enemy emplacement. Without thought of personal safety, he stood up in full view of the enemy and hurled a grenade into the hostile position. Then, firing his automatic rifle as he advanced, he rushed the strongpoint, killing one and wounding the other two members of the machine gun crew. Frightened by the ferociousness of his attack, two other enemy machine gun crews abandoned their weapons and fled. The inspiring gallantry and aggressive determination of Private First Class ONUMA in neutralizing a formidable enemy strongpoint reflect the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kalaheo, Kauai, T. H.

AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

CIKE C. KAWANO, (37085233), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 6 November 1944, in the vicinity of Belmont, France. Entered military service from Cheyenne, Wyoming. Next of kin: Ei Kawano, (Mother), Powell, Wyoming.

AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

SHIGETO KANEMOTO, (30106415), Technical Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 October 1944, in the vicinity of Bruyeres, France. Entered military service from Schofield Barracks, T. H.

IWAO KOJIRO, (30106287), Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 26 October 1944, in the vicinity of Biffontaine, France. Entered military service from Waikae Uka, Hilo, T. H.

LEWIS D. FUKUI, (39682956), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 5 November 1944, near Biffontaine, France. Entered military service from Reno, Nevada.

TADASHI HIKOYEDA, (39919484), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 2 November 1944, near Belmont, France. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

HARUO MORITA, (30104078), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 October 1944 near Bruyeres, France. Entered military service from Honokaa, T. H.

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AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. (Cont'd)

SHIZUO B. YAMANAKA, (39164190), Private First Class, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 October 1944 near Bruyeres, France. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

THOMAS M. KUROKAWA, (19063290), Private, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 25 June 1944 to 2 May 1945 in France and Italy. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

YUKIO OKAMOTO, (37357447), Private, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 October 1944 near Bruyeres, France. Entered military service from Powell, Wyoming.

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CHOICHI SHIMABUKURO, 30101358, First Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 100th Battalion, 442d Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy and France from 5 December 1943 to 19 March 1945. Entered service from Wahiawa, Kauai, Territory of Hawaii.

HIRO HIGUCHI, 0527027, Captain, Chaplains Corps, Headquarters, 442d Infantry Regiment, for services in Italy and France from 26 June 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered service from Waipahu, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

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