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Tech. Sgt. Richard C. Thoene of Utica has been awarded the bronze star for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France and Germany from Sept. 18, 1944 to May 17, 1945. Sgt. Thoene, who is with the 807th tank destroyer, entered the service in March, 1942. He is the son of Mrs. Gertrude Thoene of Utica. A graduate of Utica high school, he attended the University of Nebraska and was a member of Theta Xi fraternity.

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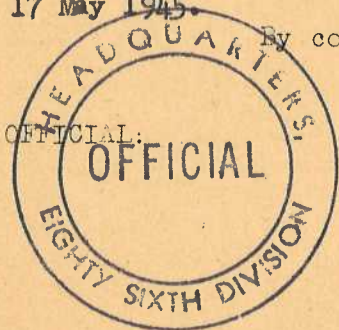
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Technical Sergeant Richard C. Thoene,
37 154 035, Field Artillery, Headquarters
Company, 807th Tank Destroyer Battalion,
United States Army, for meritorious service
in connection with military operations
against the enemy in France and Germany
from 18 September 1944 to 17 May 1945.
Technical Sergeant Thoene performed his
duties as personnel sergeant major of the
807th Tank Destroyer Battalion during
operations in France and Germany in an out-
standing manner. He constantly volunteered
to relieve the unit commanders in the
battalion of burdensome details of an ad-
ministrative nature so that they could
devote all their efforts to a tactical study
of operations against the enemy. His
cheerful, willing attitude and loyal devotion
to duty were an inspiration to all members
of his section and reflect high credit upon
himself and the military forces of the
United States. Entered military service from
Nebraska.



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Major General, U. S. Army,
Commanding