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grand artillery -

Also today Lt Hall got his Silver Star for gallantry - I received a purple heart.

I'm now waiting for my cluster & then I'll send them all home to mom.

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Feb 15th

Today we straightened out the road from Highway six to Cavers by cutting down three sharp curves - This afternoon we gave a school to some ack ack outfit on German mines & etc while on the job this morning we watched our bombers & our artillery blast the once famous Monastery - Abbeyhill above Cassino - It was quite a sight - they really laid them on. Good to have air superiority and

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seem to be anywhere around - at least he never bothered us - (thank goodness) - Our dead are still laying all over the road & bridge site - One I noticed was the Capt. - they been there since the last of January & the 1st & 2nd of Feb & since then I think no one has tried to cross at this spot - To bad somebody doesn't clear them out for they are starting to turn black - No wonder there are so many missing in action.

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Feb 16th

Again today we worked on Cavers Road by straightening out a few more curves - Again we had birds eye view of the bombing & etc of Montecassino Abbey - the dive bombers were extremely accurate - We could see the bombs leave the plane & I could tell whether they were going to hit or miss - through the glasses Montecassino monastery looks pretty beaten - Later in the afternoon Lt Walker & I went down to the River Rapids to look over our bridge site - Jerry didn't