

HEADQUARTERS 409TH INFANTRY  
Office of the Regimental Commander

APO 470, US Army,  
6 February 1945.

Subject: Letter of Appreciation.

To : Lt. Colonel James S. Jun, Commanding Officer, 382d  
Field Artillery Battalion, Liaison Officers and  
Forward Observers, 382d Field Artillery Battalion,  
APO 470, US Army.

1. I wish to express my sincere appreciation for the excellent manner in which you and the officers and men of your battalion have untiringly discharged your duties as supporting artillery to this regiment. The successes we have realized in the infantry with the minimum losses in men and materiel could not possibly have been achieved except for excellence in all phases of the artillery support you have constantly rendered. The high standard you have attained in forward observation and liaison is particularly commendable.

2. Not until entering actual combat were the officers and men of this regiment brought to the full realization of the paramount importance of artillery, properly employed and executed. We have faced numerous situations during these past few months that, were it not for your prompt and cooperative support, we should have fallen short of the goal. The "artillery-infantry" team has and will continue to prove an indispensable union of arms, the failure of either, precluding hope for success in combat.

3. Our success is your success and I am extremely proud to have the opportunity of commanding a proven, winning combination.

/s/ Claudius L. Lloyd,  
/t/ CLAUDIUS L. LLOYD,  
Colonel, 409th Inf.  
Commanding.