

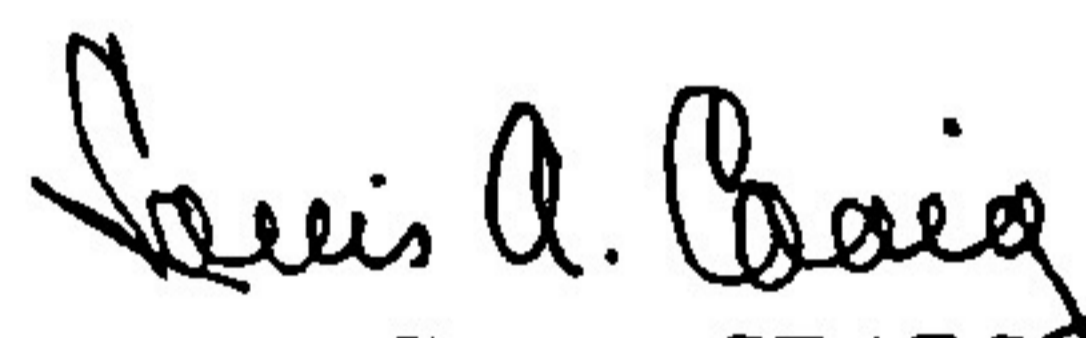
HEADQUARTERS NINTH INFANTRY DIVISION  
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10 March 1945

Mrs. Betty Lee Veltman  
706 Walnut Street  
Selina, Kansas

My dear Mrs. Veltman:

On 15 February 1945 I had the pleasure of awarding to Technician Fourth Grade Bernard A. Veltman, before an assembly of his comrades in arms, the Bronze Star for heroic achievement in action. It is a source of deepest satisfaction to me to present this recognition for outstanding service to a soldier who has demonstrated his unselfish devotion to the service of our Country and whose actions have surpassed our high standards of duty. I speak for the entire Division in assuring you that we share the pride you must feel on learning of this award.

  
LOUIS A. CRAIG,  
Major General, U.S.A.,  
Commanding.