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1..SILVER STAR.—1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul. 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star for gallantry in action during the periods indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named officer and enlisted man:

Technical Sergeant Dellyn A. Farmer (Army serial No.), Ordnance Department, United States Army, a member of the 693d Ordnance Company (Aviation) (Pursuit), distinguished himself by gallantry in action at Nichols Field, Rizal, Philippine Islands, on 9 December 1941, when a soldier in his platoon was seriously wounded by gunfire from enemy aircraft. With total disregard for personal safety, Sergeant Farmer carried the man for a distance of about 400 yards, crossing open terrain subjected to intense gunfire by enemy airplanes, to a ravine where medical attention was available. This unselfish act of heroic conduct on the part of Sergeant Farmer reflects great credit on himself and the military service.

Captain Henry Schipper, Jr.,

, Infantry, Army of the United States, distinguished himself by gallantry in action in the Southwest Pacific Area from 8 to 23 December 1941. As commanding officer of the 2d Battalion, 72d Infantry Regiment, Philippine Army, Captain Schipper displayed unusual fortitude and resourcefulness in directing his unit in the defense of Luzon, Philippine Islands, aganst the overwhelming forces of the Japanese invaders. Moving his battalion in to Urdaneta, upon the outbreak of hostilities, he engaged in 2 weeks of intensive training. When enemy artillery pounded the town behind him and set it after and units on both flanks withdrew under the furious enemy onslaught, he gallantly led his men in a determined defense of their forward position. As he rushed a hostile machine gun, which was causing heavy casualties among his troops, he was shot and killed by the foe. Through his inspiring leadership, tactical ability, and unremitting devotion to duty, Captain Schipper made a conspicuous contribution to the heroic defense of the Philippine Islands.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul. 43, WD, 1918), the Silver Star (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for gallantry in action during the period indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named officer:

Captain Robert C. Foster, Infantry, Army of the United States, displayed gallantry in action in the vicinity of St. Vith, Belgium, between 17 and 21 December 1944. When, as commanding officer of Company A, 31st Tank Battalion, he was leading his company toward the village and rounding a bend in the road, he discovered a German infantry column accompanied by three tanks. He engaged in a flerce fire fight at close range, in which 50 German infantrymen were killed and the Atanks were destroyed. In later enemy attacks, Captain Foster moved at 978B-Dec. 750722°—47

(dismounted) from tank to tank and directed his company's fire, which destroyed two more tanks and an 88-mm gun. He continued to lead and personally direct the fires of his tank company during the next 3 days and personally led a counterattack which destroyed an enemy penetration. On 21 December, Captain Foster was killed by a German artillery barrage while standing on the deck of his tank directing artillery fire. Captain Foster's courage and gallantry were an inspiration to his men in the hard-fought battle for St. Vith.

11_SILVER STAR.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul. 48, WD 1918), the Silver Star for gallantry in action during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officer and ealisted men:

Captain Thurlow W. Davison, , United States Navy, displayed gallantry in action in the Philippines on 29 and 30 April 1942. Volunteering to command the guide launch, he demonstrated exceptional courage and resourcefulness in directing the hazardous and difficult task of sweeping a contact mine field south of Corregidor. While the operation was under attack from a Japanese airplane, he skillfully directed several passes of the launch through the area. By his courageous leadership and unremitting devotion to duty, Captain Davison made it possible to accomplish the subsequent necessary movement of navy craft and army personnel.

Staff Sergeant Felipe P. Gargaritano (Army serial No.) (then private), Cavalry, Philippine Scouts, United States Army, displayed gallantry in action in the Philippine Islands on 23 December 1941. When the 26th Cavalry, Philippine Scouts, was withdrawing from Damortis, La Union, Luzon, Sergeant Gargaritano and a companion were selected to cover a bridge with machine-gun fire over which the regiment had just passed and blown up. When enemy troops appeared on the other side, he opened fire, killing several and forcing others to run for cover. He continued to fire until the barrel became so hot the gun failed to function and his assistant was struck by enemy mortar-shell fragments. He attempted to find a better position from which to continue his fire, but was forced to withdraw because of heavy enemy machine-gun and mortar fire. During the ensuing action, Sergeant Gargaritano was wounded in the left thigh, but managed to rejoin his regiment. Through his gallant actions and devotion to duty in giving the regiment time to withdraw, Sergeant Gargaritano made a noteworthy contribution to the heroic defense of the Philippine Islands.

Private First Class Sydney C. Stern (Army serial No.), Signal Corps, Army of the United States, displayed conspicuous gallantry in action, on 6 August 1944, while commanding a signal detachment from the 90th Infantry Division attached to a task force assigned the mission of capturing Mayenne, France. Busily engaged in establishing communications for the defense of the town, after its capture, he observed enemy troops launching a counterattack through a street which was not covered by friendly troops. Immediately deploying his men, he led them in an attack, which completely frustrated that portion of the enemy's attack. Private Stern's aggressive action, courage, and inspiring leadership reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

III._LEGION OF MERIT.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 40, WD, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, Bul. 54, WD, 1942), the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers and warrant officer:

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- Lieutenant Colonel Wilfred B. Ashworth, Air Corps, United States
 Army. November 1942 to December 1945.
- Colonel Leonard M. Cowley, (then lieutenant colonel), Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States. 7 December 1941 to January 1947.
- Lieutenant Colonel George W. P. Heffelfinger, , Air Corps, Army of the United States. July 1942 to August 1945.
- Lieutenant Colonel Edward H. Lahti, (then colonel), Infantry, United States Army. February 1945 to July 1947.
- Warrant Officer (junior grade) John Lewis (), Army of the United States. December 1941 to December 1944.
- Lieutenant Colonel Robert E. Miller, Air Corps, Army of the United States. August 1942 to July 1943 and November 1943 to September 1945.
- Lieutenant Colonel Feliw Nowakowski, , Adjutant General's Department, Army of the United States. July 1948 to November 1945. (This award supersedes the awards to Lieutenant Colonel Nowakowski, of the Bronze Star Medal, for service from 1. June to 18 July 1944, and the Bronze Star Medal (first Oak-Leaf Cluster), for service from 21 January to 11 June 1944 and 19 July 1944 to 17 April 1945, as published in General Orders 34, Headquarters 6th Infantry Division, 23 August 1944, and General Orders 184, Headquarters Eighth Army, 6 December 1945, respectively.)
- Colonel Jeremiah J. O'Connor, (then lieutenant colonel), Judge Advocate General's Department, Army of the United States. March 1946 to March 1947. (This award supersedes the awards, to Colonel O'Connor, of the Legion of Merit, for service from 17 September 1945 to 2 March 1946, and the Bronze Star Medal (first Oak-Leaf Cluster), for service from 17 September 1945 to 2 March 1946, as published in General Orders 99, Headquarters United States Forces, China Theater, 30 April 1946, and General Orders 93, Headquarters United States Forces, China Theater, 26 April 1946 respectively.)
- Major Francis B. Porzel, , Field Artillery, Army of the United States. September 1944 to September 1945.
- Lieutenant Colonel Mahone Rees, Jr., Infantry, Army of the United States. September 1942 to September 1945. (This award supersedes the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Lieutenant Colonel Rees, for service from 5 September 1942 to 30 June 1945, as published in General Orders 18, United States Army Forces, Pacific, 11 June 1946.)
- IV_LEGION OF MERIT.—1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 40, WD, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, Bul. 54, WD, 1942), the Legion of Merit, in the Degree of Commander, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:
 - Air Vice Marshal Oharles H. K. Edmonds, Royal Air Force. November 1948 to October 1944.
 - Air Vice Marshal Frank F. Inglis, Royal Air Force. June 1942 to February 1944.
 - Air Marshal G. O. Johnson, Royal Canadian Air Force. December 1941 to May 1945.

Air Vice Marshal Arthur P. M. Sanders, Royal Air Force. July 1942 to November 1945.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 40, WD, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, Bul. 54, WD, 1942), the Legion of Merit, in the Degree of Officer, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Major Roy A. Farran, British Army. December 1944 to May 1945.

Group Captain Paul R. Foley, Royal Air Force. November 1943 to July 1944.

Colonel Alfonso Gurza, Mexican Army. January to November 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel John L. Hayden, British Army. October 1944 to July 1945.

Squadron Leader Herbert N. Jerman, Royal Air Force. December 1942 to November 1944.

Colonel Geoffrey Hugh Buckton Moss, British Army. October 1944 to May 1945.

Wing Commander Richard J. P. Prichard, Royal Air Force. December 1943 to October 1944.

Lieutenant Colonel James Joseph Sloan, British Army. April 1944 to September 1945.

Group Captain Michael Watson, Royal Air Force. November 1943 to September 1944.

Wing Commander John H. Weaver, Royal Air Force. 20 December 1943 to 15 October 1944.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 40, WD, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I. Bul. 54, WD, 1942), the Legion of Merit, in the Degree of Legionnaire, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer: Colonel Arthur Thurlow Laws, British Army. July 1942 to July 1945.

V_DISTINGUISHED-FLYING CROSS.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bul. 8, WD, 1926), the Distinguished-Flying Cross for heroic achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named enlisted man:

Technical Sergeant Harrel W. Fuller (Army serial No.), Air Corps, Army of the United States, displayed heroism while participating in aerial flight as aerial engineer in a B-24 type aircraft on 16 August 1944. When approaching a heavily defended target at Dessau, Germany, Sergeant Fuller's aircraft received severe damage from enemy fighter attacks and the order was given to bail out. Upon discovering that the copilot's parachute had been damaged by enemy action, Sergeant Fuller, with complete disregard for his personal safety, volunteered to carry the copilot on his back. The exceptional courage and selfless devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Fuller on this occasion reflect the highest credit on himself and the United States Air Force.

VI. DISTINGUISHED-FLYING CROSS.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bul. 8, WD, 1926), the Distinguished-Flying Cross (third Oak-Leaf Cluster) for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel Olbert F. Lassiter, Air Corps, United States Army. 81 July to 2 August 1947.

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VII. SOLDIER'S MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (WD, Bul. 8, 1926), the Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Captain John W. Whitehead, Air Corps, Army of the United States, on 24 August 1947, displayed heroism at Lake Freeman, Indiana. Hearing a young girl scream for help and then seeing her disappear under water, which he knew to be 15 to 20 feet deep, he immediately dived, fully clothed, into the lake and brought the girl to the surface. Although exhausted by his effort to keep the struggling girl afloat, he successfully towed her to the boat from which he had dived. Captain Whitehead's personal courage and quick action in an emergency and at the risk of his life reflected great credit on himself and the military service.

VIII.BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, Bul. 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named officer:

First Lieutenant Daniel C. Pruitt, (then technical sergeant), Air Corps, Army of the United States, distinguished himself by heroic achievement at Clark Field, Pampanga, Philippine Islands, on 8 December 1941. During an enemy air raid, he displayed leadership and courage in directing the evacuation of his men from a bombed and burning building and returned alone to salvage the only available reserve supply of parachutes. With disregard for personal safety, he removed the important equipment to safety under bombardment and strafing. Through his courageous action and unremitting devotion to duty, Lieutenant Pruitt made a distinct contribution to the defense of the Philippine Islands.

IX_BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, Bul. 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers, chief warrant officer, enlisted men, and individual:

- Lieutenant Colonel Robert J. Antonelli, (then captain), Field Artillery, Army of the United States. 1 to 10 April 1945.
- Major John A. Buehler, (then captain), Air Corps, Army of the United States. August 1942 to June 1943.
- Captain William S. Charles, III, (then technician fourth grade), Field Artillery, Army of the United States. 23 May to 11 November 1942.
- Technical Sergeant Oharles M. Fetterman (Army serial No.) (then private), Air Corps, United States Army. December 1941 to March 1942.
- Chief Warrant Officer Grover B. Gilbert () (then warrant officer (junior grade)), Army of the United States. December 1941 to April 1942.
- Major John E. Harding, General Staff Corps (Field Artillery), United States Army. 1 July to 15 August and 15 September to 9 November 1945.
- Sergeant George A. Kirven (Army serial No.) (then corporal), AGC 979B Army of the United States. 5 June to 15 July 1945.

Noel F. Newsome, British civilian. February to May 1945.
Corporal Marion M. Royalia (Army serial No.), Air Corps, Army
of the United States. June 1944 to August 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel Wayne E. Scott, (then major), Air Corps, Army of the United States. April to October 1943.

X.BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, Bul. 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted man:

Captain Francisco G. Guerrero, , Medical Corps, Philippine Army, distinguished himself by heroic achievement in the Southwest Pacific Area on 6 January 1942. When the command post of the 71st Division, Philippine Army, at Culex, Bataan, Philippine Islands, was under enemy shelling, Captain Guerrero, commanding officer of Collecting Company C, 71st Medical Battalion, courageously exposed himself to the Japanese barrage in order to provide vitally needed medical services. Although the overwhelming enemy attack rendered the position untenable, he rallied the men still remaining in his company and proceeded to evacuate the wounded, despite exposure to bombing attacks. Wounded by bomb fragments when a direct hit was made on his collecting station, Captain Guerrero continued on, refusing to withdraw until every casualty had been moved to safety.

Sergeant Cecil F. Powers (Army serial No.) (then corporal), Air Corps, Army of the United States, a member of Battery E., 2d Battalion, 131st Field Artillery, on March 1942, distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy near Soerabaja, Java. Voluntarily, he helped to move a 75-mm gun forward, under heavy enemy fire, to a position from which he and the remaining crew delivered direct fire against the foe, forcing the numerically superior enemy to delay his attack against the city. Sergeant Powers displayed courage and determination which reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

XI..AIR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named enlisted man:

Master Sergeant Bernard G. Lewis (Army serial No.), Air Corps, Army of the United States. 18 November 1946.

XII. AIR MEDAL.—1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 31 July to 2 August 1947 is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted men:

Captain William D. Bailey, Air Corps, United States Army.

Staff Sergeant Joseph C. Gauthier (Army serial No.), Air Corps,
Army of the United States.

Staff Sergeant James R. Sanders (Army serial No. , Air Corps,
Army of the United States.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Captain Frank O. Hinckley, Alr Corps, Army of the United States.
31 July to 2 August 1947.

Captain Elliott D. Wolfsen, Air Corps, Army of the United States.
31 August 1943 to 27 November 1945.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal (second Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named enlisted man:

Master Sergeant Robert B. Corey (Army serial No. 6571853), Air Corps, Army of the United States. 31 July to 2 August 1947.

4. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal (third Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 31 July to 2 August 1947 is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted man:

Master Sergeant John J. Blangio (Army serial No.), Air Corps, United States Army.

First Lieutenant Russell L. Lewis, , Air Corps, Army of the United States.

5. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal (fourth Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

First Lieutenant Arthur J. Orillion, Air Corps, Army of the United States. 31 July to 2 August 1947.

5. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal (tenth Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Captain William J. Valentine, Air Corps, United States Army. 31 July to 2 August 1947.

XIII.ARMY COMMENDATION RIBBON.—1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 17.1, AR 600-45, the Army Commendation Ribbon for meritorious service during the periods indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named officers:

Major Cheney Cowles, Air Corps, Army of the United States.
November 1942 to May 1943.

Licutenant Colonel George A. Rote, Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States. December 1941 to August 1945.

2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 17.1, AR 600-45, the Army Commendation Ribbon (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service during the period indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel John F. Foy,
Army. April 1942 to August 1944.

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Licutemant Council Mark O. Bone, Jr., 032078 (then major), Air Corps,

XIV. ARMY COMMENDATION RIBBON.—1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 17.1, AR 600-45, the Army Commendation Ribbon for meritorious service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers and enlisted men:

Major Francis K. Bagby, Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States. August 1945 to May 1947.

Colonel Howard F. Bresce, Corps of Military Police, Array of the United States. October 1945 to July 1947.

Colonel Levi M. Browning, (then lieutenant colonel), Medical Corps, United States Army. January to September 1943.

Colonel Charles H. Calais, Infantry, United States Army. June 1942 to March 1943.

First Lieutenant Della M. Coyle, Army Nurse Corps, Army of the United States. 7 March 1947.

Lieutenant Colonel Joseph P. Feeley, Corns of Engineers, Army of the United States. June 1943 to July 1947.

Lieutenant Colonel Edgar M. Lewis, Jr., Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States. June 1945 to August 1947.

Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence J. Lincoln, (then colonel), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. December 1946 to August 1947.

Colonel Robert O. Lindsay, , (then lieutenant colonel), Air Corps, Army of the United States. January to September 1943.

Lieutenant Colonel Franklin H. MacNaughton, Air Corps, United States Army. January 1943 to March 1945.

Major John E. Merriken, Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. May 1945 to August 1946.

Colonel Douglas P. Quandt, General Staff Corps, United States-Army, November 1945 to May 1947.

Master Sergeant Larry J. Sanchez (Army serial No.), Air Corps, United States Army. February to July 1946.

Lieutenant Colonel Frederick W. Searles, Air Corps, United States
Army. October 1942 to September 1943.

Lieutenant Colonel Robert E. Slack , Air Corps, Army of the United States. May to September 1943.

Sergeant Jerome D. Stanfield (Army serial No.) Corps of Engineers, United States Army. 10 April to 17 August 1947.

2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 17.1, AR 600-45, the Army Commendation Ribbon (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Colonel John M. Pesek, Infantry, United States Army. September 1945 to September 1947.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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EDWARD F. WITSELL Major General The Adjutant General

