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I. DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Distinguished-Service Medal for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Brigadier General *Frank L. Howley*, , Army of the United States.
December 1947 to August 1949.

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

Private *Robert W. Lougee* (), Infantry, Army of the United States, a member of Company H, 16th Infantry Regiment, displayed gallantry in action against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, near Hamick, Germany. After a successful attack, his company consolidated the position and Private *Lougee* manned a heavy machine gun. Within the first few minutes of an enemy counterattack, he was wounded in the shoulder and his assistant killed. Despite his physical condition, Private *Lougee* encouraged the members of his squad to remain at their positions and fight it out with the enemy, while he continued to man and operate his gun. When his machine gun was destroyed by enemy fire and he sustained further wounds, he continued to fight effectively, using the arms of his fallen fellow soldiers. Private *Lougee* was killed while participating in mortal hand-to-hand combat with the enemy. His display of courage, patriotism, and devotion to duty so inspired his comrades that they successfully fought off the attack against overwhelming odds.

III. LEGION OF MERIT.—1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Colonel *John H. Fye*, O5783, Field Artillery, United States Army. May to August 1943.

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

Colonel *John W. Warren*, AO15139, United States Air Force. March 1947 to February 1948.

IV..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 posthumously to the following-named enlisted man:

Corporal *Francois L. Tence* (), Infantry, United States Army, a member of the 1st Ground General School Detachment, Fort Riley, Kansas, on 9 July 1949, displayed heroism in an attempt to save the life of Raymond J. Glenn, Jr., age 3½ years. Corporal *Tence*, Corporal Raymond Glenn, Mrs. Raymond Glenn, Mrs. Francis Tence, and Raymond J. Glenn, Jr., were on a picnic on Clarks Creek near Junction City, Kansas. The child, Raymond J. Glenn, Jr., who was playing near the bank of the stream, fell in and was quickly swept away by the current. Corporal *Tence* immediately plunged into the stream to go to the boy's assistance. He succeeded in reaching him and for a short time was able to hold the child above water. However, because of the swift current and encumbered by his clothing, Corporal *Tence* was unable to return to the bank without releasing the boy. His valiant efforts were in vain, because he was unable to save the child from drowning and in addition thereto sacrificed his own life.

V..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 periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted man:

Captain *George F. Charlton*, (), Infantry, United States Army, a member of the Tactical Department, The Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia, on 26 June 1949, at the peril of his life, rescued an officer of the United States Army from drowning in the Atlantic Ocean in the vicinity of Ormond Beach, Florida. The heroism of this act was emphasized by Captain *Charlton's* deliberate disregard for personal safety. Although he realized the presence of a strong ebb tide and a viciously dangerous undertow and was not sure of his swimming ability, inasmuch as he had done no swimming for more than 5 years, Captain *Charlton* nevertheless plunged into the hazardous waters, swam to the helpless officer, and brought him back to safety. His brave act of selfless courage reflects great credit on himself and the military service.

Sergeant *Roy G. Spears* (), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, a member of the Engineer Detachment, 6006th Area Service Unit (POC), displayed heroic conduct on 26 May 1949 at the scene of an electric power failure in the Army Central Electrical Sub-Station, Fort Lewis, Washington. Sergeant *Spears* rescued Mr. Ben Chanslor (civilian) who, in the performance of his duties, "threw in" one of the electric oil switches. Upon closing the circuit, an explosion followed, spraying hot gases, hot oil, and flame on Mr. Chanslor, knocking him to the floor, and enveloping the entire sub-station. With total disregard for personal safety, Sergeant *Spears* rushed in before the flames and explosion had subsided, grabbed Mr. Chanslor's arm with one hand, and dragged him to safety while beating the flames out of his hair with the other bare hand. Upon getting Mr. Chanslor clear, Sergeant *Spears* tore Mr. Chanslor's burning clothes off with his bare hands. During the process of removing Mr. Chanslor, Sergeant *Spears* received serious burns which he ignored until assistance arrived. Because of Sergeant *Spears'* heroic action, Mr. Chanslor was saved from permanent injury or possible death.

VI. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 8, 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 and enlisted man:

Lieutenant Colonel *Richard L. Butt, Jr.*, Adjutant General's Department, Army of the United States. January 1943 to September 1944.

Major *Robert M. Clark*, Air Corps, United States Army. February 1943 to October 1944.

First Lieutenant *Harry J. Hovee*, Air Corps, Army of the United States. August 1943 to October 1944.

Major *Raymond P. Murphy*, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. September 1944 to May 1945.

Staff Sergeant *Sam Roska* () (then sergeant), Quartermaster Corps, Army of the United States. March to May 1945.

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

Corporal *Judson E. Baggett* () (then private first class), Infantry, United States Army, company aid man of Company L, 351st Infantry Regiment, 88th Infantry Division, distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action near Itri, Italy, on 14 May 1944. After he had gone forward to a precarious position and had administered aid to a wounded man, in full view of the enemy and without Red Cross arm bands or flags, Corporal *Baggett* set up an improvised aid station in an area that was constantly under heavy enemy artillery fire and successfully cared for the wounded until the arrival of the battalion aid station personnel. The outstanding courage displayed by Corporal *Baggett* reflects great credit on himself and the military service.

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

Major *Virgil W. Bond*, Adjutant General's Department, United States Army. September 1943 to January 1949.

First Lieutenant *Walter M. Bowers*, Infantry, Army of the United States. 18 January to 24 May 1949.

Lieutenant Colonel *Huston D. Crippen*, (then major), Corps of Military Police, Army of the United States. 22 April to 12 July 1945.

Major *Roy H. Davis*, Ordnance Department, Army of the United States. 22 April to 12 July 1945.

Major *Frank DiGiacomo*, (then captain), Infantry, Army of the United States. 22 April to 12 July 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel *Henry B. Engseth*, Ordnance Department, Army of the United States. 22 April to 12 July 1945.

Major *Leo G. Federman*, (then captain), Infantry, Army of the United States. 22 April to 12 July 1945.

Major *Halstead Foreman*, Transportation Corps, Army of the United States. July 1948 to April 1949.

Lieutenant Colonel *John D. Hartigan*, (then major), Air Corps, Army of the United States. 22 April to 12 July 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel *Clarence S. Lewis*, (then major), Transportation Corps, United States Army. June to November 1948.

First Lieutenant *Robert A. Little*, Cavalry, Army of the United States. 11 September 1943 to 18 January 1949.

Major *Wilfred J. McCull*, Transportation Corps, Army of the United States. 17 December 1948 to 20 April 1949.

Major *Walter P. Myers*, Transportation Corps, Army of the United States. October 1948 to April 1949.

First Lieutenant *Justin R. Ormsby*, Coast Artillery Corps, Army of the United States. January 1946 to March 1947.

Lieutenant Colonel *John M. Palmer*, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. June 1943 to June 1945.

2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 17.1, AR 600-45, the Commendation Ribbon for meritorious achievement during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted man:

Captain *Margaret A. Pate*, Army Nurse Corps, United States Army, 23 July 1949.

Private First Class *John C. Smith* () (then private), United States Army. 19 June 1949.

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

Lieutenant Colonel *George M. McClinton*, Transportation Corps, Army of the United States. July 1948 to April 1949.

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

Lieutenant Colonel *Ernest O. Seaman*, Transportation Corps, United States Army. July 1948 to April 1949.

IX.-COMMENDATION RIBBON. 1. So much of paragraph 3, section VII, DA General Orders 28, 1940, as pertains to Lieutenant Colonel *Albert B. Evans* is rescinded.

2. So much of paragraph 1, section VI, DA General Orders 74, 1948, as pertains to Major *Thomas H. Unger* and reads "Commendation Ribbon" is amended to read "Commendation Ribbon (First Oak-Leaf Cluster)."

3. So much of paragraph 3, section VI, DA General Orders 81, 1949, as pertains to Major *Herbert A. Ziegler* and reads "Commendation Ribbon (First Oak-Leaf Cluster)" is amended to read "Commendation Ribbon."

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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