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I. DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS.—1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Distinguished-Service Cross for extraordinary heroism in action against an enemy during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Colonel (then lieutenant colonel) *Halstead C. Fowler*, Field Artillery, United States Army, displayed extraordinary heroism in action against the enemy in the Moron Sector, Bataan, Philippine Islands, on 21 January 1942.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Distinguished-Service Cross (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for extraordinary heroism in action against an enemy during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Colonel (then lieutenant colonel) *Halstead C. Fowler*, Field Artillery, United States Army, displayed extraordinary heroism in action, on 24 December 1941, at the Agno River, Luzon, Philippine Islands. While serving as commander of a unit designated to cover the withdrawal of troops, Colonel *Fowler*, sensing impending panic and disorder among the withdrawing troops which would have resulted in the annihilation by an enemy force overwhelmingly superior in number, without regard for his personal safety, fearlessly exposed himself to oncoming vehicles propelled by armed, fear-crazed drivers and, under intense enemy fire succeeded in reorganizing the troops into orderly fighting groups, thus permitting successful completion of the mission. The exemplary heroism displayed by Colonel *Fowler* in the face of enemy fire and his constant, fearless leadership under adverse conditions reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

II. SILVER STAR.—1. 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 to the following-named officer:

First Lieutenant *Charles H. Marcy*, Air Corps, Army of the United States, displayed heroism while serving as pilot of a B-17 aircraft on a combat mission to Berlin, Germany, on 29 April 1944. Just prior to bombs away, Lieutenant *Marcy* was wounded by a burst of flak, but he continued to fly the airplane and drop bombs on the target. Forced out of formation, the bomber was attacked by enemy fighters, which set it afire, and Lieutenant *Marcy* was wounded again. Despite his painful wounds, Lieutenant *Marcy* held the airplane in level flight while the crew made good their escape. The cool courage and heroic devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant *Marcy* on this occasion reflect the highest credit on himself and the Army Air Forces.

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

Sergeant *Ronald K. Bowman* (Army service No.) (then private first class), Transportation Corps (then Infantry), United States Army, a member of Company F, 328th Infantry Regiment, displayed gallantry in action against the enemy in Germany on 17 February 1945. During an attack on enemy positions within the city blocks of Fraulautern, his platoon was caught in an open lot in a cross-fire of German machine guns and his platoon leader was killed. While two riflemen covered his movements from a building, Sergeant *Bowman* jumped through a window into the open lot and rushed the German machine-gun position on his right flank. Although wounded by enemy fire, he reached the enemy position and tossed grenades into the building, thus destroying the weapon and capturing the crew. This action allowed the remaining able men to resume the attack and to evacuate the wounded.

III. LEGION OF MERIT.—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 periods indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named officers:

First Lieutenant <i>William H. Kern, Jr.</i> ,	Quartermaster Corps, Army
of the United States. January 1942.	
Major <i>Edmund Starke, Jr.</i> ,	Quartermaster Corps, Army of the
United States. January 1942.	

IV. LEGION OF MERIT.—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 periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers and enlisted man:

Major <i>Nicholas Andronovitch</i> ,	Infantry, Army of the United States.
October 1943 to March 1949.	
Lieutenant Colonel <i>Harry O. Dodenhoff</i> ,	Transportation Corps,
United States Army. February 1943 to February 1944.	
Major General <i>Albert M. Jones</i> ,	United States Army. October 1946
to March 1949.	
Colonel <i>Joseph E. Kramer</i> ,	(then lieutenant colonel), Quarter-
master Corps, Army of the United States. January 1942.	
Staff Sergeant <i>George J. Labuta</i> (Army service No.),	Infantry,
Army of the United States. August 1944 to February 1945.	
Lieutenant Colonel <i>Morton Solomon</i> ,	(then major), Corps of Engi-
neers, United States Army. May 1942 to June 1944.	

V. LEGION OF MERIT.—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, 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:

Major General *Rafael Fernandez*, Chilean Army. June 1948 to February 1950.

General of the Brigade *Enrique Diaz Gonzalez*, Mexican Army. May 1947 to April 1949.

Brigadier General *Carlos P. Romulo*, O20002, Philippine Armed Forces (Reserve) (formerly Philippine Army). 12 December 1941 to 12 April 1942.

VI. 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 enlisted men:

Private *William A. Gaylord* (Army service No. _____), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, a member of the 8292d Service Unit, Hawaiian Engineer Depot, on 7 August 1949, displayed heroism at Sandy Beach, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii. Observing a man nearing the rocks, upon which a high surf was breaking, and struggling to escape the strong water currents, Private *Gaylord*, accompanied by Private *Joseph F. Souza*, plunged immediately into the water and swam through rough seas and high swells. After several attempts at rescue and after having been repeatedly torn away from the exhausted swimmer by high waves and raging surf, he managed to bring the man to shore. Private *Gaylord's* personal courage and quick action in an emergency, at the risk of his life, reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

Private First Class *Joseph F. Souza* (Army service No. _____), Chemical Corps, United States Army, a member of the 8310th Service Unit, Hawaiian Chemical Depot, Schofield Barracks, on 7 August 1949, displayed outstanding heroism at Sandy Beach, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii. Observing a man nearing the rocks, upon which a high surf was breaking, and struggling to escape the strong water currents, Private *Souza*, accompanied by Private *William Gaylord*, immediately plunged into the water and swam through rough seas and high swells, with utter disregard for his safety. After several attempts at rescue and after having been repeatedly torn away from the exhausted swimmer by high waves and raging surf, he managed to bring the man to shore. Private *Souza's* personal courage and quick action in an emergency, at the risk of his life, reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

VII. 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:

Major *Theodore R. Daniels*, (then captain), Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States. April 1944 to May 1945.

Major *Ervin G. Haack*, (then captain), Air Corps, Army of the United States. November 1943 to May 1945.

Captain *Kurt G. Happe*, (then second Lieutenant), Signal Corps, Army of the United States. 1 September to 15 October 1944.

Captain *Joseph M. McCarron*, (then first Lieutenant), Quartermaster Corps, Army of the United States. 1 March to 26 April 1945.

Staff Sergeant *Robert C. Ring* (Army service No.), Ordnance Department, Army of the United States. 25 June to 15 August 1945.
 Major *William E. Scherer*, , Air Corps, Army of the United States. March 1944 to August 1945.
 Lieutenant Colonel *Benjamin F. Stahl, Jr.*, , Armored Cavalry, Army of the United States. August 1944 to June 1945.

VIII..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 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 officer:

First Lieutenant *William S. McOutcheon*, , Infantry, Army of the United States, a member of Company I, 411th Infantry Regiment, distinguished himself by heroic achievement in the vicinity of Rothbach, France, on 16 February 1945. When one of the members of his company was seriously wounded near the enemy lines, he organized and led a litter squad across fire-swept, rugged terrain and successfully evacuated the man. Lieutenant *McOutcheon's* courage and leadership are highly commendable.

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

Major General *Alexander G. Paxton*, (then brigadier general), National Guard of the United States. February to July 1945.

X..COMMENDATION RIBBON.—I. 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, chief warrant officer, and enlisted men:

Master Sergeant *William S. Crowley* (Army service No.), United States Army. July 1946 to August 1948.

Major *Harold V. Ellingson*, Medical Corps, United States Army. March 1944 to September 1945.

Master Sergeant *Edoard Esteban* (Army service No.), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. May 1946 to May 1949.

Sergeant *Clarence W. Harmon* (Army service No.) (then private first class), Medical Department, United States Army. 26 and 27 November 1947.

First Lieutenant *Carl Hunter*, Infantry, Army of the United States. January 1947 to October 1949.

Chaplain (Captain) *Oscar M. Lifshutz*, Corps of Chaplains, United States Army. March 1946 to November 1949.

Major *Thomas A. Rhoden*, Transportation Corps, Army of the United States. September 1942 to January 1946.

First Lieutenant *Ronald J. Roberts*, Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States. August 1948 to July 1949.

Sergeant *Edward M. Rochel* (Army service No.), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. September to December 1948.

Chief Warrant Officer *George A. Rohrer* (), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. November 1948 to April 1949.
 Master Sergeant *Billy M. Skiles* (Army service No.), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. January 1947 to July 1949.
 Major *Robert N. Smith*, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. October 1946 to March 1947 and July to December 1948.
 Major *William W. Vance*, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. August 1947 to June 1949.

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 officers, warrant officer, and enlisted men:

Corporal *Howard L. Biery* (Army service No.) (then sergeant), Ordnance Department, United States Army. 28 and 29 July 1948.
 Captain *Robert M. Brackett*, Ordnance Department, Army of the United States. 28 and 29 July 1948.
 Major *Burton E. Cox*, (then second Lieutenant), Air Corps, Army of the United States. 23 January 1948.
 Captain *Joe Dumic*, Ordnance Department, Army of the United States, 28 and 29 July 1948.
 Corporal *Hollis R. Eastman* (Army service No.) (then technician fourth grade), Ordnance Department, United States Army. 28 and 29 July 1948.
 Technical Sergeant *Jewell R. Germany, Jr.* (Army service No.), Air Corps, Army of the United States. 23 January 1948.
 Corporal *Thomas A. Gormley* (Army service No.), United States Army. 28 and 29 July 1948.
 Chaplain (Captain) *William K. Graw*, Corps of Chaplains, Army of the United States. 28 and 29 July 1948.
 Corporal *Graham Hambly* (Army service No.), Ordnance Department, United States Army. 28 and 29 July 1948.
 Corporal *John O. Johnson* (Army service No.), Ordnance Department, United States Army. 28 and 29 July 1948.
 First Lieutenant *Thomas B. Johnston*, Infantry, Army of the United States. 23 August 1940.
 Corporal *Kenneth L. Jones* (Army service No.), Ordnance Department, United States Army. 28 and 29 July 1948.
 Sergeant *George Komarowski* (Army service No.), Infantry, United States Army. 28 and 29 June 1948.
 Sergeant *William H. McKee* (Army service) (then technician fourth grade), Ordnance Department, United States Army. 28 and 29 July 1948.
 Corporal *Elvin O. McLendon* (Army service No.), Field Artillery, United States Army. 28 and 29 June 1948.
 Sergeant *Raymond B. McNeil* (Army service No.) (then corporal), Infantry, United States Army. 28 and 29 June 1948.
 Sergeant *Paul J. O'Donnell* (Army service No.) (then corporal), Infantry, United States Army. 28 and 29 June 1948.
 Corporal *James E. Petty* (Army service No.), Medical Department, United States Army. 28 and 29 July 1948.

Sergeant First Class *Zygmund J. Pipczynski* (Army service No.) (then technical sergeant), Ordnance Department, United States Army. 28 and 29 July 1948.

Sergeant *Charles M. Powell* (Army service No.) (then technician third grade), Ordnance Department, United States Army. 28 and 29 July 1948.

Staff Sergeant *Donald L. Roberts* (Army service No.), Air Corps, Army of the United States. 23 January 1943.

Corporal *Maurice L. Rodgers* (Army service No.), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. 28 and 29 July 1948.

Corporal *Earl N. Stanley, Jr.* (Army service No.), Corps of Military Police, United States Army, 22 August 1949.

Warrant Officer (junior grade) *Chester D. Warner* (), United States Army. 28 and 29 July 1948.

Lieutenant Colonel *Paul R. Whitaker*, Corps of Military Police, Army of the United States. 28 and 29 July 1948.

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 warrant officer:

Warrant Officer (junior grade) *Joseph R. Ambrose* () (then master sergeant, Army service No.), Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States. 2 December 1947 to 6 May 1948.

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

First Lieutenant *Warren J. Higgins*, Transportation Corps, United States Army. April to August 1949.

5. 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 achievement during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted man:

Master Sergeant *Thomas E. Gluckhertz* (Army service No.) (then staff sergeant, Infantry), Finance Department, United States Army. 23 January 1943.

Lieutenant Colonel *Walter F. Partin*, Ordnance Department, Army of the United States. 28 and 29 July 1948.

XI. DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS.—So much of section I, WD General Orders 93, 1946, as reads "Sergeant *Vicente Villamor* (Army serial No. 6611365), Philippine Army, a member of Company II, 57th Infantry (Philippine Scouts)," is amended to read "Master Sergeant *Vicente Villamor* (Army service No.) (then sergeant, Philippine Army), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army, a Philippine Scout and member of Company H, 57th Infantry (Philippine Scouts)."

XII. COMMENDATION RIBBON.—1. So much of paragraph 1, section II, DA General Orders 79, 1948, as pertains to Master Sergeant *Joseph R. Ambrose* is rescinded. (See par. 3, sec. X above.)

2. So much of paragraph 1, section VIII, DA General Orders 46, 1949, as pertains to Lieutenant Colonel *John M. Palmer* and reads "Commendation Ribbon" is amended to read "Commendation Ribbon (first Oak-Leaf Cluster)."

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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