

GENERAL ORDERS No. 2



First Lieutenant Robert M. McGovern,

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY WASHINGTON 25, D. C., 8 January 1952

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## AWARD OF THE MEDAL OF HONOR









By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 48, 1918), the Medal of Honor for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty is awarded posthumously by the Department of the Army in the name of the Congress to the following-named officer:

try, United States Army, a member of Company A, 5th Cavalry Regiment, distinguished himself by conspicuous

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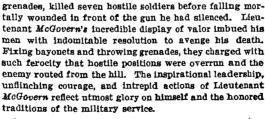
gallentry and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty in action against an armed enemy of the United Nations near Kamyangjan-ni, Korea, on 30 January 1951. As Lieutenant McGovern led his platoon up a slope to engage hostile troops emplaced in bunkertype pillboxes with connecting trenches, the unit came under heavy machine-gun and rifle fire from the crest of the hill, approximately 75 yards distant. Despite a wound sustained in this initial burst of withering fire. Lieutenant McGovern assured the men of his ability to continue on and urged them forward. Forging up the rocky incline, he fearlessly led the platoon to within several yards of its objective when the ruthless foe threw and rolled a vicious barrage of hand grenades on the group and halted the advance. Enemy fire increased in volume and intensity and Lieutenant McGovern, realizing that casualties were rapidly increasing and the morale of his men badly shaken, hurled back several grenades before they exploded. Then, disregarding his painful wound and weakened condition, he charged a machine-gun emplacement which was raking his position with flanking fire. When he was











within 10 yards of the position, a burst of fire ripped the carbine from his hands, but, undaunted, he continued his lone-man assault and, firing his pistol and throwing







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This general order will be read to all troops and will be posted conspicuously on the bulletin boards in each unit area.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

DEFICIAL:

WM. E. BERGIN
Major General, USA
The Adjutant General

J. LAWTON COLLINS Chief of Staff, United States Army