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

Corporal Paul G. Foster (Service No.), Infantry, United States Army, a member of Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, 45th Infantry Division, distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against the enemy near Sidamak, Korea, on 26 June 1952. Company F was attacking Hill 266 through a heavy barrage of small-arms, grenade, and mortar fire from well-entrenched enemy troops. The second platoon had pushed forward within 30 yards of the crest of the hill when it was halted by deadly fire from a reinforced machine-gun position on the left. Without hesitation, Corporal Foster ran within 20 feet of the gun position and attacked it with grenades. He continued his aggressive action for approximately 15 minutes and finally silenced the gun. When a second gun opened fire on the right, he immediately raced across the open ground, vigorously pressed his grenade attack against the hostile emplacement, and hurled enemy grenades back into their position in rapid succession. Although urged by his comrades to withdraw, he continued his bold attack for 3 hours, inflicting easualties on the enemy and silencing the gun. During this action, he was knocked unconscious by the explosion of a grenade which had become lodged on his bandolier. His inspirational conduct and determined actions contributed materially to the successful accomplishment of his unit's mission. Corporal Foster's gallant actions and sustained courage reflect the greatest credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

Corporal Atsuo Miura (Service No.), Infantry, Army of the United States, a member of Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, 45th Infantry Division, distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against the enemy near Karhyon-ni, Korea, on 12 June 1952. Attacking a stubbornly defended hill, the second platoon of Company F was halted near a trench at the top of the slope by small-arms and grenade fire. The platoon was forced to withdraw approximately 50 yards. Corporal Miura voluntarily left his sheltered position and armed only with a pistol and bayonet, started back up the hill in the face of intense fire, picking up enemy grenades en route. Reaching the enemy trench, he threw grenades into it, driving the enemy into their bunkers. Jumping into the trench, he tossed grenades into the bunkers. When a comrade came to his aid with a flame thrower, they cleared the emplacement, thus enabling the platoon to move up. As they were rejoining the platoon at the crest of the hill, a concussion grenade fell between Corporal Miura and his platoon sergeant. Corporal Miura threw his belmet on the grenade and flung himself on the helmet. The force of the explosion shattered the helmet and momentarily stunned him. On recovering, he pursued and captured the enemy soldier who had thrown the grenade. Corporal Miura's gallant actions reflect the highest credit on himself and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the United States Army.

II. DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE MEDAL.—1. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 9 July 1018 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Distinguished-Service Medal for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Brigadier General Wesley T. Guest, United States Army. 26 August 1951 to 20 December 1952.

Major General Thomas L. Harrold, , United States Army, S March 1951 to 19 October 1952.

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

General James A. Van Floet, , United States Army. 14 April 1951 to 11 February 1953.

III. SILVER STAR.—By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Silver Star for gallantry in action on the date indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel Aung Potiganit, , Infantry, Thalland Army, a member of the Thailand Battalion attached to the 9th Infantry Regiment, 2d Infantry Division, distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy near Kumhwa, Korea, on 15 March 1952. Approaching the forward observation post of Company C, Thailand Battalion, on an inspection of front-line positions, Colonel Potiganit came under sniper fire from an enemy position approximately 200 yards ahead. Displaying fearlessness and resolute determination, he ordered his men to take cover, and with disregard for his personal safety he remained in full view and under direct enemy fire in an attempt to locate the hostile sniper. Despite a hall of enemy fire striking around him, he studied the terrain, located the sniper, and, remaining in his exposed vantage, directed the delivery of accurate fire upon the fanatical foe until the position was neutralized. Colonel Potiganit's unfilnehing courage, tenneity, and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

IV..LEGION OF MERIT.—1. By direction of the President, under 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:

Lieutenant General William Bridgeford, Australian Military Forces. 12 November 1951 to 9 February 1953.

Brigadier General Muluqueta Bulli, Imperial Ethiopian Body Guard, July 1950 to April 1952.

Major General Aguinaldo Caiado de Castro (then brigadier general); Brāzilian Army. May 1945 to August 1952.

2. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9200, 20 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 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:

Brigadler Frank J. Floury, Canadian Army. September 1950 to July 1951.

Commodore Kai Hammerich, Danish Navy. 10 March 1951 to 1 March 1952. Brigadier General Oh Duk Jun, , Infantry, Republic of Korea Army. 25 May 1951 to 12 August 1952.

Major General Menclass George Pantelldes, Greek Army. 4 September 1951 to 30 April 1952.

3. By direction of the President, under 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 Legionnaire, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

First Lieutenant Robert J. Gueriaud, Army of the Republic of France.

1 March to 25 October 1951.

Major Gaston G. Jobet, Army of the Republic of France, 3 November 1950 to 15 December 1951.

Lieutenant Colonel Arturo Corona Mendioros (then major), Mexican Army. 21 July 1949 to 13 July 1951.

Brigadier General Kim Jong Pyong, 10062, Republic of Korea Army. 19 April 1951 to 18 August 1952.

Lieutenant Colonel Kyriakos J. Spiliopoulos, Greek Army. 25 August 1951 to 10 March 1952.

Lieutenant Colonel Victor Esperon Urbina (then major), Mexican Army. 2 January 1947 to 13 June 1949.

Lieutenant Colonel Georges V. R. Vivario, Belgian Army. 31 January 1951 to 21 January 1953.

4. By direction of the President, under 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 Legionnaire (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:

Brigadier General Chang Do Young, Republic of Korea Army. 5 March to 20 December 1951.

V..SOLDIER'S MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (WD Bul. 8, 1926), the Soldier's Medal (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy on the date indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named officer:

First Lieutenant Leo J. Rogers, Infantry, United States Army, a member of Headquarters, 9th Infantry Division, distinguished himself by heroism at Fort Dix, New Jersey, on 7 November 1952. Lieutenant Rogers arrived in the vicinity of the impact area of a rifle-grenade range and discovered that a detail of men had unknowingly entered the impact area while proceeding to the scene of a brush fire, and that one of the men in the detail had stepped on an unexploded grenade. The grenade detonated and wounded three men. Being fully cognizant of the density of unexploded grenades in the area and without regard for his personal safety, he proceeded into the area in order to lead the detail to safety. When he reached the wounded men, he attempted to guide two of them out of the danger area. Another explosion occurred when they were halfway, out and Lieutenant Rogers was fatally wounded. The prompt,

courageous, and determined action taken by Lieutenant Rogers in the face of grave danger reflects distinct credit on himself and the military service.

VI_SOLDIER'S MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 2 July 1920 (WD Bul. 8, 1926), the Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy on the dates indicated is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class Thomas E. Laws (Service No.), Military Police Corps, United States Army, a member of Company B, 703d Military Police Battalion, distinguished himself by heroism at Bamberg, Germany, on 3 January 1953. When Private Laws heard cries for help coming from a 5-year-old German boy who had fallen into the icy, turbulent waters of the Regnitz River, he recognized that the child was in dire distress. Unhesitatingly, he jumped into the cold, swift waters, fully clothed, in a heroic effort to swim to the aid of the child. He successfully accomplished the rescue of the young boy, who was helpless to extricate himself from the dangerous waters. Private Law prompt and courageous action, without regard for his personal safety, reflects distinct credit on himself and the military service.

Second Lieutenant Paul J. McCaulcy,

Artillery, United States Army,
a member of Battery C, 704th Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion, distinguished
himself by heroism near Fort Dawes, Massachusetts, on 23 August 1952. Lieutenant McCaulcy's attention was attracted to cries for help coming from three
men whose small fishing boat had capsized, throwing them into the rough and
icy waters off Deer Island Point. He immediately rushed to the shore. Without hesitation, he dived into the icy and polluted waters of Outer Boston Harbor
and, without regard for his personal safety, swam over 200 yards to assist in the
rescue of the distressed men. Despite the hazards of high winds, strong tide,
and dangerous cross-currents, he proceeded to effect a successful rescue, which
doubtlessly was instrumental in saving the life of at least one man who was
suffering from severe exposure, shock, and immersion. Lieutenant McCaulcy's
prompt and courageous action reflects great credit on himself and the military
service.

Private Robert E. Quinn (Service No.), Artillery, United States Army, a member of Battery B, 90th Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion (90-mm), distinguished himself by heroism at South Franklin Mountain, El Paso, Texas, on 11 November 1952. While scaling a steep and treacherous peak on South Franklin Mountain, along with other climbing parties, he responded to a call for help from members of one group. One member of that party lost his footing and fell to his death and a companion was in dire distress, helpless to extricate himself from an extremely dangerous position. Private Quinn, with disregard for his personal safety, unhesitatingly climbed down the precipitous mountain side in attempt to aid the fallen man. Upon reaching his comrade and knowing that he could not help him, he hastily climbed to the position where the fallen man's companion was clinging helplessly to the face of a cliff in a state of nervous shock. With great presence of mind and using extremely good judgment, he successfully assisted the man in his descent to a place of safety, carefully guiding and directing each step and insuring safe and secure foot holds. Private Quinn's calm, prompt, and courageous actions during the rescue activities saved the life of a fellow soldier and reflect distinct credit on himself and the military service.

Corporal Joseph W. Titcomb (Service No.), Artillery, United States Army, a member of Battery C, 704th Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion,

distinguished himself by heroism near Fort Dawes, Massachusetts, on 23 August 1952. Corporal *Titcomb's* attention was attracted to cries for help coming from three men whose small fishing boat had capsized, throwing them into the rough and icy waters off Deer Island Point. He immediately rushed to the shore. Without hesitation, he dived into the icy and polluted waters of Outer Boston Harbor and, without regard for his personal safety, swam over 200 yards to assist in the rescue of the distressed men. Despite the hazards of high winds, strong tide, and dangerous cross-currents, he proceeded to effect a successful rescue, which doubtlessly was instrumental in saving the life of at least one man who was suffering from severe exposure, shock, and immersion. Corporal *Titcomb's* prompt and courageous action reflects great credit on himself and the military service.

Private First Class Theodore D. Yochum (Service No.), Artillery, United States Army, a member of Battery C, 704th Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion, distinguished himself by heroism near Fort Dawes, Massachusetts, on 23 August 1952. Private Yochum's attention was attracted to cries for help coming from three men whose small fishing boat had capsized, throwing them into the rough and icy waters off Deer Island Point. He immediately rushed to the shore. Without hesitation, he dived into the icy and polluted waters of Outer Boston Harbor and, without regard for his personal safety, swam over 200 yards to assist in the rescue of the distressed men. Despite the hazards of high winds, strong tide, and dangerous cross-currents, he proceeded to effect a successful rescue, which doubtlessly was instrumental in saving the life of at least one man who was suffering from severe exposure, shock, and immersion. Private Yochum's prompt and courageous action reflects great credit on himself and the military service.

VII. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 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:

Lieutenant General Lee Chong Chan, Republic of Korea Army. 23 June 1951 to 20 May 1952.

Major Turgut Sunalp, Turkish Army. 9 September 1951 to 8 June 1952. Major Preben Von Magnus, Danish Red Cross. 10 March to 12 July 1951.

VIII...COMMENDATION RIBBON WITH METAL PENDANT.—1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under AR 600-45, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant for meritorious service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officer, warrant officer, and enlisted men:

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Sergeant First Class David C. Byers (Service No.
                                                           ). Ordnance
   Corps. United States Army. 1 November to 13 December 1951.
                                                 ), United States Army.
Sergeant George P. Higgins (Service No.
   27 November 1952.
Corporal Vernon L. Huw (Service No.
                                                ), United States Army.
   16 July 1952.
                                                          ), Infantry,
Private First Class Curtis Jewell (Service No.
   United States Army. 28 July 1952.
Private First Class Alex Kovach (Service No.
                                                      ), United States
   Army. 16 July 1952.
                                               ), United States Army.
Corporal Henry L. Lee (Service No.
   20 September 1952.
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Captain Orval H. Sheppard, July 1952.

Artillery, United States Army. 16

), Army Private First Class Jerome A. Tintle (Service No. Security Agency (Signal Corps), United States Army. 6 to 8 August

Warrant Officer (junior grade) Margaret A. Van Raam (Service No.), United States Army. February 1951 to May 1952.

2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under AR 600-45, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant for meritorious achievement during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named enlisted men:

Private Paul B. Buzzell (Service No.

), Infantry, United States

Army. 16 November 1952.

), Military Police Corps,

Corporal John L. Hooper (Service No. United States Army. 2 to 30 November 1951.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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