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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, the Distinguished Service Medal for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility is awarded to:

Brigadier General *John L. Person*, , United States Army. June 1946 to June 1959.

Major General *Albert Pierson*, , United States Army. June 1946 to 31 July 1959.

II..SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918, the Silver Star for gallantry in action during the period indicated was awarded by General Joseph W. Stillwell, United States Army, to the following named officer:

Colonel *Charles N. Hunter*, , Infantry, United States Army, displayed gallantry in action in North Burma in 1944.

III..LEGION OF MERIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded posthumously to:

Major *Forrest B. Tilson*, , Artillery, United States Army. 23 August 1957 to 27 December 1958.

IV..LEGION OF MERIT. 1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Colonel *Robert L. Anderson*, , Adjutant General's Corps, United States Army. 24 February 1946 to 31 July 1959.

Colonel *George F. Conner*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. 19 February 1948 to 31 July 1959.

Colonel *William H. Greear*, , Armor, United States Army. 1 July 1947 to 31 July 1959.

Colonel *Louis A. Hammack*, , Armor, United States Army. 22 December 1947 to 31 July 1959.

Brigadier General *James P. Hannigan*, , United States Army. 13 January 1953 to 31 July 1959.

Colonel *Charles N. Hunter*, , Infantry, United States Army. 21 August 1957 to 31 July 1959.

Colonel *Walter E. Kraus*, , Artillery, United States Army. 1 September 1954 to 31 July 1959.

Brigadier General *John D. F. Phillips*, , United States Army. 16 August 1952 to 31 July 1959.

Colonel *Andrew Samuels, Jr.*, , Artillery, United States Army. 1 October 1949 to 31 July 1959.

Colonel *Ralph B. Strader*, , Chemical Corps, United States Army.
28 July 1950 to 31 July 1959.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Colonel *Lyman D. Bothwell*, , Armor, United States Army. 1 July 1947 to 31 July 1959.

Colonel *John D. Cone*, , Infantry, United States Army. June 1953 to 31 July 1959.

Brigadier General *Edgar T. Conley, Jr.*, , United States Army. 23 July 1953 to 31 July 1959.

Colonel *Fred H. Mowrey*, , Medical Corps, United States Army. 15 November 1950 to 31 July 1959.

Colonel *Ohandler P. Robbins, Jr.*, , Armor, United States Army. December 1946 to 31 July 1959. (This award supersedes the award of the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant, for service from 19 August 1954 to 31 January 1957, as announced in General Orders Number 17, Headquarters, Fort Leavenworth, Kans., 28 January 1957.)

Colonel *Edgar Wright, Jr.*, , Infantry, United States Army. June 1946 to 31 July 1959.

Brigadier General *Kenneth F. Zitzman*, , United States Army. December 1945 to 31 July 1959.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (Second Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Colonel *William P. Connally, Jr.*, , Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Army. 15 October 1946 to 31 July 1959. (This award supersedes the award of the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service from 13 September 1955 to 30 April 1958, as announced in General Orders Number 93, Headquarters Third United States Army, 30 April 1958.)

Brigadier General *Edward J. McNally*, , United States Army. 1 July 1947 to 31 July 1959.

Colonel *Donald A. Poorman*, , Infantry, United States Army. February 1948 to 31 July 1959.

Brigadier General *Erio H. F. Svensson*, , United States Army. 16 June 1954 to 31 July 1959.

4. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (Third Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Colonel *Frederic H. Chaffee*, , Artillery, United States Army. 26 June 1950 to 31 July 1959.

V..SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 2 July 1926, a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy is awarded to:

Specialist Five *Harold J. Dias*, , United States Army, a member of the 168th Signal Company (MC), Fort Bragg, N.C., distinguished himself by heroism on 4 April 1959. While driving on North Carolina Highway No. 27,

Specialist *Dias* observed an automobile partially submerged in the waters of the Pee Dee River. He immediately stopped his car and, without hesitation or concern for his own personal safety, dived into the chilly waters and swam out to the sunken vehicle. After opening the car door and not finding the driver inside, he surfaced for air and was informed by occupants of a small boat that the driver could be seen on the right side of the automobile. Specialist *Dias* dived again, located and freed the driver and without assistance, carried the victim to shore where he immediately administered artificial respiration. Even though all efforts to revive the drowned man were unsuccessful, the heroic attempt made by Specialist *Dias* to save a human life reflects great credit upon himself and the military service.

Master Sergeant *Wilfred C. Gernandt*, , United States Army, a member of Headquarters Detachment, United States Army Garrison, Fort Chaffee, Ark., distinguished himself by heroism at Clear Creek, Silver Bridge, Mountainburg, Ark., on 8 June 1958. When a search was conducted to rescue a young boy believed lost in the treacherous and murky Clear Creek waters, Sergeant *Gernandt*, unhesitatingly and without regard for his own personal safety, volunteered his services in an effort to locate the child. Despite the many hazards of large boulders and swift channelized currents, he made repeated attempts in a continuous pursuit which involved diving to depths of 10 to 15 feet, and remained submerged for long periods in the murky waters on the rocky river bottom to locate the victim. Sergeant *Gernandt* persisted in his efforts after all others had abandoned the search. Alone, and already taxed to the limit of his endurance, he finally succeeded in finding the child's body on the bottom of the river and brought the boy to the surface where others assisted him in carrying him ashore. Artificial respiration which was promptly administered, revived the young victim. Sergeant *Gernandt's* timely and accurate analysis of the situation, selfless determination and utter disregard for his own life were solely instrumental in the location and recovery which ultimately saved the boy's life. His heroic actions are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army, and reflect distinct credit upon himself and the military service. (This award supersedes the award of the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant for meritorious achievement on 8 June 1958, as announced in General Orders Number 87, Headquarters, U.S. Army Training Center, Field Artillery, Fort Chaffee, Ark., 7 May 1959.)

Sergeant First Class *Charles P. Lothamer*, , United States Army, a member of Headquarters Company, 48th Transportation Group (Truck), Fort Eustis, Va., distinguished himself by heroism at Newport News, Va., on 19 March 1959. Upon learning that a 2-year-old girl was trapped in the bedroom of a burning home, Sergeant *Lothamer*, immediately and without regard for his own personal safety, entered the house and attempted to save the stranded child. He continued his efforts until forced to leave by the intense heat and heavy smoke. The unselfish and courageous actions taken by Sergeant *Lothamer* materially assisted in the ultimate rescue of the child, and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service.

First Lieutenant *Raymond L. Piers*, , Infantry, Army of the United States, distinguished himself by heroism on 11 April 1959. While on leave at Stone Mountain, Ga., Lieutenant *Piers* volunteered to assist a Georgia State Park employee to rescue and evacuate a 19-year-old airman from Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Ga. The airman had lost his footing on the slippery moss on the steeply sloping mountain side, tumbled down the steep face of Stone Mountain

and become lodged on a ledge some 600 feet below. With profound courage and without regard for his personal safety, Lieutenant *Viers* tied himself into a 1-inch rope and was lowered over the treacherous cliff. Together with the park employee, first aid was administered, after which Lieutenant *Viers* climbed hand-over-hand up the vertical face of the cliff to secure a stretcher on which to evacuate the injured airman. The ascent was accomplished without tie-in to the belay rope. Upon obtaining a stretcher, Lieutenant *Viers* tied himself into the belay rope and again was lowered over the cliff at the same time guiding the stretcher down the mountain side to the injured man. Because of excruciating pain, it was necessary for the two men to physically restrain the injured man until he was tied into the stretcher. Lieutenant *Viers* and the park employee guided the stretcher up the side of the mountain. The two men then ascended the 600-foot cliff under their own hand-over-hand power. The intrepid, calm, firm, and decisive display of great courage on the part of Lieutenant *Viers* in performing this extraordinary feat in the face of extreme danger and at considerable risk of losing his own life reflects great credit upon himself and the United States Army.

VI. COMMENDATION RIBBON WITH METAL PENDANT. 1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 13, AR 672-5-1, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant for meritorious service is awarded to:

- Lieutenant Colonel *William A. B. Addison*, , Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Army. 22 February 1956 to 20 July 1959.
- Lieutenant Colonel *John P. Balkman*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. 18 July 1955 to 18 June 1959.
- Colonel *Paul L. Bates*, , Armor, United States Army. 16 January 1957 to 8 July 1959.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Robert B. Bennett*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. 12 August 1957 to 30 June 1959.
- Major *Joseph C. Bowman*, , Finance Corps, United States Army. 15 January 1957 to 1 July 1959.
- Colonel *Patrick F. Cassidy*, , Infantry, United States Army. 15 August 1956 to 5 May 1959.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Alvin E. Cowan*, , Infantry, United States Army. 1 June 1956 to 24 July 1959.
- Major *Dale J. Crittenderger*, , Armor, United States Army. 4 June 1956 to 22 July 1959.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Henry J. Cronin*, , Armor, United States Army. 5 July 1956 to 19 July 1959.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Clarence E. Davis, Jr.*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. 18 July 1955 to 17 July 1959.
- Colonel *Stuart W. Davis*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. 26 August 1948 to 31 May 1959.
- Colonel *Manrico P. DiFusco*, , Medical Service Corps, United States Army. 31 August 1956 to 24 June 1959.
- Lieutenant Colonel *James S. Dunn*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. 16 April 1956 to 31 May 1959.
- Lieutenant Colonel *William L. Farrar*, , Artillery, United States Army. September 1956 to August 1959.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Ernest W. Fischer*, , United States Army. 21 January 1955 to 13 July 1959.

- Colonel *Norman H. Gold*, , Transportation Corps, United States Army.
3 July 1957 to 31 May 1959.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Armistead R. Harper*, , Armor, United States Army. 2 February 1956 to 14 June 1959.
- Lieutenant Colonel *James A. Hebbeler*, , Chemical Corps, United States Army. 18 June 1956 to 6 July 1959.
- Major *David J. Heltzerbran*, , Adjutant General's Corps, United States Army. 1 September 1957 to 30 August 1958.
- Major *Lowell J. Hibner*, , Infantry, Army of the United States. 26 April 1958 to 7 March 1959.
- Colonel *Herbert O. Hicks, Jr.*, , Infantry, United States Army. 5 July 1956 to 1 July 1959.
- Colonel *Robert G. H. Meyer*, , Signal Corps, United States Army. 15 March 1945 to 30 June 1959. (This award supersedes the award of the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant to Colonel *Meyer*, for meritorious service during the period 5 July 1957 to 30 June 1959, as announced in General Orders No. 83, Headquarters Fort Monmouth, N.J., dated 30 June 1959.)
- Lieutenant Colonel *Harley N. Miller*, , Infantry, United States Army. 8 June 1958 to 4 May 1959.
- Major *James V. Paschall*, , Quartermaster Corps, Army of the United States. 27 April 1957 to 15 July 1959.
- Colonel *Robert R. Reed*, , Infantry, Army of the United States. January 1954 to 31 July 1959.
- Sergeant First Class *Paul Robertson, Jr.*, , Ordnance Corps, United States Army. 29 April 1958 to 2 April 1959.
- Colonel *Joseph R. Russ*, , Infantry, United States Army. 25 August 1958 to 31 May 1959.
- Colonel *George P. Seneff, Jr.*, , Armor, United States Army. 7 June 1956 to 21 July 1959.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Homer E. Shields*, , Military Police Corps, Army of the United States. 2 December 1957 to 4 August 1959.
- Major *Joseph P. Trusko*, , Medical Service Corps, Army of the United States. 2 July 1958 to 31 May 1959.
- Major *Dean Van Lydegraf*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. 11 January 1956 to 29 July 1959.
2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 13, AR 672-5-1, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service is awarded to:
- Chaplain (Major) *Herman N. Benner*, , Chaplains, United States Army. 15 July 1957 to 27 July 1959.
- Colonel *Logan Clarke*, , Artillery, United States Army. 2 August 1957 to 31 July 1959.
- Captain *Anthony J. Daniels*, , Quartermaster Corps, Army of the United States. 16 December 1956 to 10 July 1959.
- Master Sergeant *John W. Goodwin*, , United States Army. 10 March 1955 to 1 May 1959.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Carl O. Hall*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. 7 March 1955 to 26 June 1959.
- Colonel *Robert O. Hall*, , Artillery, United States Army. 26 November 1956 to 24 July 1959.

Colonel *Lawrence B. Markey*, , Finance Corps, United States Army.
11 July 1957 to 31 May 1959.

Captain *Marion S. Ricketson*, , Corps of Engineers, Army of the
United States. 1 September 1957 to 21 July 1959.

Colonel *John R. Seward*, , Artillery, United States Army. 20 July
1957 to 31 July 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *Beverly C. Snow, Jr.*, , Corps of Engineers, United
States Army. 24 June 1956 to 4 July 1959.

3. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 13, AR 672-5-1, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (Second Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel *Archelaus L. Hamblen, Jr.*, , United States Army.
17 November 1955 to 29 May 1959.

Colonel *Manley C. Perry*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army.
5 December 1955 to 15 July 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *William W. Stone, Jr.*, , Chemical Corps, United
States Army. 29 June 1956 to 6 July 1959.

4. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 13, AR 672-5-1, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant for meritorious achievement is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel *John W. Burtchael*, , Judge Advocate General's
Corps, United States Army. 19 March 1956 to 29 October 1958.

Private First Class *Bobby F. Deal*, , United States Army. 30
April 1959.

Captain *Gerald W. Dundas*, , Adjutant General's Corps, United States
Army. 20 March 1959.

Colonel *Paul S. Hicks*, , Artillery, United States Army. 4 July 1956
to 21 July 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *Donald T. Kellett*, , Infantry, United States Army.
20 March 1956 to 12 July 1959.

Corporal *Adolf Petsche*, (then Private First Class), Artillery,
Army of the United States. 27 January 1958.

Captain *Alan Roginsky*, , Medical Corps, Army of the United States.
12 December 1958.

5. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 13, AR 672-5-1, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement is awarded to:

Colonel *Jesse D. Willoughby*, , Infantry, United States Army. 1 July
1956 to 10 July 1959.

By Order of *Wilber M. Brucker*, Secretary of the Army:

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General, United States Army,
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