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I..DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL. 1. By direction of the President, under provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (WD Bul. 43, 1918) the Distinguished Service Medal (first Oak Leaf Cluster) 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 *Edwin L. Johnson*, , United States Army. 15 September 1954 to 28 August 1955.

General *Anthony C. McAuliffe*, , United States Army. 20 October 1953 to 30 April 1956.

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 Medal (second 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:

Major General *Robert A. McClure*, , United States Army. 2 May 1953 to 31 May 1956.

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 on the date indicated is awarded to the following-named enlisted man:

Sergeant *Robert D. Roberts*, , then Corporal, Infantry, United States Army, a member of Company G, 7th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 7 September 1950, near Waegwan, Korea. During the night, while the company was in a retrograde movement, and had to attack to the rear to avoid being encircled, it was noticed that the Company's Commanding Officer and third and fourth platoons were missing. Since no one had any knowledge of their whereabouts, Sergeant *Roberts*, with selfless disregard for his own personal safety, volunteered to lead a small patrol back into the strongly infested enemy territory, in search of them. As a result of his dauntless courage and conspicuous devotion to duty contact was made with the separated troops and the Commanding Officer. Sergeant *Roberts'* gallantry reflects great credit on himself and the military service.

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 10600, 15 March 1955 (sec. I, DA Bul. 3, 7 April 1955), the Legion of Merit (third Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Major General *Ira K. Evans*, , United States Army. 30 March 1954 to 1 November 1955.

IV..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 10600, 15 March 1955 (sec. I, DA Bul. 3, 1955), the Legion of Merit, in the Degree of Officer, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Colonel *Carlos A. Cabrera*, Army of Ecuador. December 1953 to June 1956.

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 10600, 15 March 1955 (sec. I, DA Bul. 3, 1955), the Legion of Merit, in the Degree of Legionnaire, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Colonel *D. Tage Ollhn*, Swedish Army. February 1954 to February 1956.

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) a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy on the dates indicated is awarded to the following-named enlisted men:

Sergeant First Class *John L. Chapman*, , Armor, United States Army, a member of Headquarters and Service Company, 40th Tank Battalion, distinguished himself by heroism on 27 January 1956, in the vicinity of Hanau, Germany. The 40th Tank Battalion was proceeding to Vilseck, Germany, in a truck convoy. As the convoy stopped for a maintenance check, it was discovered that a cooking unit had caught fire in the rear of the mess truck, trapping six people inside. With admirable self-composure and with no thought of his personal safety, Sergeant *Chapman* picked up the blazing fire unit in his bare hands, lifted it over the tail gate of the truck, and threw it into the snow, extinguishing the fire. In the process, Sergeant *Chapman's* clothing caught fire. When these flames were extinguished he then directed the evacuation of the occupants of the truck to a safe place. Before the unit was removed the body of the truck had ignited and the situation was being further endangered as the flames spread rapidly toward ammunition stored in the vehicle and the gasoline tank. Anticipating an explosion, Sergeant *Chapman* ordered everyone away from the truck. He then climbed into the smoke-filled cab and drove the vehicle off the road a safe distance from the convoy. The smoke and heat inside the cab were so intense that he had to climb onto the running board in order to see and breathe. Sergeant *Chapman's* alert, prompt, and courageous action in the face of grave danger reflects great credit on himself and the military service.

Private First Class *Calvin Goss*, , Artillery, United States Army, a member of Service Battery, 197th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, Fort Hood, Texas, distinguished himself by heroism near Waco, Texas, on 2 March 1956. While driving along the highway on the bank of the Brazos River Private *Goss* was called upon by a man to rescue a small boy who had been buried under an avalanche of sand and rock. Upon arriving at the scene, a cliff 35- or 40-feet high, Private *Goss* leaped to the bottom. In spite of a painfully wrenched knee received in the jump he began digging with his hands to uncover the boy. As the digging progressed another side of the cliff gave evidence of imminent sliding but with utter disregard for his own safety he continued to dig until the boy was freed and taken to a place of safety. Private *Goss'* prompt and courageous action reflects great credit on himself and the military service.

Specialist Third Class *Galen L. Luchau*, , United States Army, distinguished himself by heroism near South Wolmi-Do Island, Inchon Port, Korea, on 3 October 1955. As a landing craft approached the island, a sudden jarring of the boat flung a crew member into the deep, choppy water. Realizing that the darkness of the night made immediate action imperative, Specialist *Luchau* unhestitatingly kicked off his shoes, plunged into the water and swam to the rescue of the unconscious man. Supporting the limp crewman, he struggled to keep afloat as the swift tide threatened to sweep them out to sea. After some minutes his calls for help attracted the attention of others in the boat who tossed him a life jacket and directed the coxswain to turn back. Specialist

Luchau's courageous and unselfish action reflects utmost credit on himself and upholds the esteemed traditions of the military service.

Specialist Third Class *Charles N. Wilson, Jr.*, , Ordnance Corps, United States Army, a member of Detachment 2, 9393d Technical Unit, White Sands Proving Ground, New Mexico, distinguished himself by heroism near El Paso, Texas on 25 March 1956. Specialist *Wilson* was traveling along Airport Road in an automobile with a comrade when the car had to stop abruptly to avoid collision with a plane coming off the runway. Upon observing the aircraft crashing Specialist *Wilson* immediately jumped from the car and ran to the scene of the accident. With utter disregard for his personal safety he unhesitatingly entered the flaming wreckage and found the pilot in flames from the waist down. Although receiving minor first degree burns on his arms and face Specialist *Wilson* kicked aside the flaming debris and managed to grab hold of the pilot's parachute harness and drag him to safety. His prompt and courageous action in the face of grave personal danger undoubtedly saved the pilot from certain death. The heroism and ability to act in an emergency as displayed by Specialist *Wilson* reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service.

VI. 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 meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted man:

Master Sergeant *Virgil J. Meuers*, , Infantry, United States Army. 5 December 1952 through 5 March 1953.

Second Lieutenant *Brooke T. Sands*, (then Sergeant First Class,), Artillery, United States Army. 21 October to 9 December 1951.

VII. AIR MEDAL. 1. 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), an Air Medal (third Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight on the date indicated is awarded by the Department of the Army to the following-named officer:

Captain *William F. Dobbins*, , Transportation Corps (Artillery), United States Army. 8 Feburary 1956.

2. 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), an Air Medal (ninth Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight on the date indicated is awarded by the Department of the Army to the following-named officer:

Captain *Robert C. Adams*, , Artillery, United States Army. 8 February 1956.

VIII. COMMENDATION RIBBON WITH METAL PENDANT. 1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 20, AR 600-45, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant for meritorious service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers and enlisted man:

Chief Warrant Officer, W4, *J. C. Cosby*, , United States Army. 14 September 1953 to 25 October 1955.

Master Sergeant *Phillip J. Doran*, , United States Army. April 1955 to April 1956.

Colonel *Wayne E. Downing*, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army. 22 December 1955 to 16 January 1956.

Lieutenant Colonel *Paul E. Gardiner*, , United States Air Force. 6 June 1954 to 8 December 1955.

Chief Warrant Officer *Charles W. Maple*, , Signal Corps, United States Army. 7 September 1954 to 6 October 1954.

Captain Wayne C. Mathews, , Signal Corps, United States Army. 2 May 1954 to 16 January 1956.

Chief Warrant Officer *Robert G. Snyder*, (then Warrant Officer Junior Grade) United States Army. 26 July 1951 to 19 January 1952.

2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 20, AR 600-45, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (first Oak Leaf Cluster), for meritorious service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted man:

Master Sergeant *Paul E. Reynolds*, , United States Army. 17 May 1954 to 13 May 1956.

Captain *Hurley T. Wilbert*, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army. 27 July 1954 to 31 December 1955.

3. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 20, AR 600-45, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant for Meritorious achievement on the dates indicated is awarded to the following-named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class *Larry L. Boucher*, , Artillery, United States Army. 9 December 1955.

Lieutenant Colonel *Harold F. Buerschinger*, , Military Police Corps, United States Army. 10 January 1956.

First Lieutenant *Marion J. Davis*, , Army Nurse Corps, United States Army. 20 March 1956.

Specialist Third Class *John J. Ellis*, , Artillery, United States Army. 9 December 1955.

Colonel *John J. Livingston*, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army. 22 to 24 December 1955.

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

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Chief of Staff.

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The Adjutant General.

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