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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 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Distinguished Service Medal for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Brigadier General *Harris Jones*, , United States Army, 1 September 1947 to 31 July 1956.

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 is awarded to the following-named officer:

Captain *Murray L. Townsend, Jr.*, , (then first lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army, while Executive Officer, Company B, 24th Infantry Regiment, distinguished himself by gallantry in action against an armed enemy near Kumwha, Korea, on 8 September 1951. Company B was committed to attack and occupy high ground controlling the withdrawal route of beleaguered friendly forces. As the leading elements gained the base of the strategic hill objective, they were pinned down by a heavy concentration of enemy mortar, artillery, and small arms fire. Rallying his men, Captain *Townsend* spearheaded a daring charge up the steep, barren slope through a merciless hail of fire. Responding to the challenge of their valiant leader, the troops stormed forward with great determination but, in the ensuing action, Captain *Townsend* received a wound which necessitated evacuation. Inspired by Captain *Townsend's* incredible valor, his unit pressed the assault with such intrepidity and skill the enemy was outmaneuvered and routed from the key terrain and the mission accomplished. Captain *Townsend's* unflinching courage under fire and exemplary devotion to duty reflect utmost credit on himself and are in keeping with the esteemed traditions of the military service.

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 on the date indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) *Hugh F. Queenin*, , Armor, distinguished himself by gallantry in action near Pyongyan, Korea, on 5 December 1950. Having been informed by the division commander that the division was out of contact with a battalion of the 8th Cavalry Regiment, and that this battalion was in danger of being overrun by a strong enemy force, Colonel *Queenin* conducted a personal ground reconnaissance 15 to 20 miles in front of friendly elements in the Corps area in order to determine the exact location of the battalion, inform the battalion commander that he was relieved from his covering force mission, and advise him of routes which would provide for the battalion's safe withdrawal. Colonel *Queenin* conducted the reconnaissance alone and without support in the full knowledge that all friendly troops had

been withdrawn. Despite the fact that he was subjected to enemy fire, his vehicle partially disabled, and that he narrowly escaped capture Colonel *Queenin's* intrepid action achieved the safe withdrawal of the endangered battalion and its effective employment elsewhere during a critical period. The gallantry and devotion to duty displayed by Colonel *Queenin* reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service.

III..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. 8, 7 April 1955), the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel *Harold A. Dye*, , Artillery, United States Army. 21 September 1954 to 20 November 1955.

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, 7 April 1955), the Legion of Merit (first Oak Leaf Cluster), for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstand service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Colonel *Henry C. Newton*, , Armor, United States Army. 12 October 1952 to 31 July 1956.

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, 7 April 1955), 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 *Carlos A. Minano*, Peruvian Army. 1 February 1950 to 8 August 1954.

General *Ne Win*, Chief of Staff, Burma Defense Services.

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, 7 April 1955), 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:

Brigadier General *Horacio Arce Fernandez*, Chilean Army. 1954 to 1956.

Lieutenant General *Stylianos Pallis*, Greek Army. August 1953 to January 1956.

3. 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 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:

Lieutenant Colonel *Panayiotis N. Christopoulos*, Greek Army. 10 October 1954 to 20 March 1955.

Colonel *Ioannis Gennimatas*, Greek Army. 16 January to 27 July 1954.

Lieutenant Colonel *Elias K. Prokos*, Greek Army. 12 June 1953 to 18 January 1954.

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

Master Sergeant *Dallas J. Callahan*, , Artillery, United States Army, a member of Battery C, 43d Field Artillery Battalion, distinguished himself by heroism at Fort Carson, Colorado, on 30 March 1955, while serving as assistant instructor in live hand grenade training. When one of the trainees made a faulty throw and the grenade bounced back into the pit, Sergeant *Callahan* dived into the pit and without regard for his own safety hurled the grenade from the pit, where it exploded immediately. Sergeant *Callahan's* alertness, and prompt action undoubtedly prevented serious injury to personnel, reflecting great credit on himself and the military service.

Sergeant First Class *Carl W. Carroll*, , Infantry, United States Army, a member of "A" Company, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment, 82d Airborne Division, distinguished himself by heroism on 23 February 1956 at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. While participating in a parachute jump Sergeant *Carroll* and a fellow jumper exited simultaneously from opposite sides of the aircraft. During the opening action the parachute of the other jumper passed through that of Sergeant *Carroll*. This collapsed the one parachute and ripped Sergeant *Carroll's*. Despite his own damaged parachute and the danger of added weight Sergeant *Carroll*, in complete disregard for his own safety, grasped the collapsed canopy and held it for the remainder of the descent to the ground. The courageous action of Sergeant *Carroll* reflects great credit on himself and the military service.

Sergeant First Class *Antonio Gutierrez*, , Armor, United States Army, a member of Company A, 4th Armored Cavalry Reconnaissance Battalion (Separate), distinguished himself by heroism in Austria on 11 March 1955. When a fire broke out in a building in Mattinghofen, Austria where a group of British soldiers were sleeping, Sergeant *Gutierrez* donned his gas mask and entered the burning building which was intensely hot, smoke filled, and disintegrating, to assist in the evacuation of the unconscious soldiers. The courage, initiative, and heroic action displayed by Sergeant *Gutierrez* was instrumental in saving several lives, and reflects great credit on himself and the military service.

Sergeant First Class *Karl O. Sabady*, , United States Army, a member of the 5043d Service Unit, Transfer Station, distinguished himself by heroism at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, on 17 March 1956. Upon learning that two children were trapped in a burning trailer Sergeant *Sabady* immediately went to their aid. When entry through the front door was impossible due to smoke and flame Sergeant *Sabady* entered through the back door. Dense smoke resulting from burning lacquer and varnish forced him to withdraw but again, disregarding his own safety Sergeant *Sabady*, again entered and again was forced out. Wrapping his face with wet clothing Sergeant *Sabady* tried a third time but could not penetrate the suffocating smoke. By tearing out a window Sergeant *Sabady* was able to see the children and was able to pull them to safety through the window. Sergeant *Sabady's* courageous action reflects great credit on himself and is in keeping with the traditions of the military service.

Sergeant First Class *Billy L. Thurman,* , United States Army, a member of the 204th Military Police Company, distinguished himself by heroism at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, on 17 March 1956. Upon learning that two children were trapped in a burning trailer nearby Sergeant *Thurman* immediately went to their aid. An attempted entry through the front door was not possible because of heat and smoke. Rushing to the back door Sergeant *Thurman* found the mother of the children attempting to enter and while removing her from the trailer was bitten by a dog. After repeated efforts to crawl into the trailer were frustrated by suffocating smoke and intense heat Sergeant *Thurman* arrived at a side window in time to assist a fellow soldier in removing the children. Sergeant *Thurman's* courageous action and disregard of his own safety reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the traditions of the military service.

VI..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 services during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel *James P. Bullion,* , Infantry, United States Army. 25 February 1955 to 15 January 1956.

First Lieutenant *Jesse W. Doolittle, Jr.,* Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Army. 4 February to 22 June 1956.

First Lieutenant *George M. Gividen, Jr.,* , then Second Lieutenant, Infantry, United States Army. July and August 1952.

Colonel *Roy J. Herte,* , Infantry, United States Army. 26 June 1951 to 31 July 1956.

Lieutenant Colonel *Samuel B. Magruder,* , Artillery, United States Army. 20 May 1955 to 15 January 1956.

Sergeant *Ray F. Martin Sr.,* , Transportation Corps, United States Army. 18 October to 16 December 1955.

Colonel *Gottlieb L. Orth,* , Medical Corps, United States Army. 15 August to 21 September 1954.

Specialist Third Class *Henry J. Shelnutt,* , Transportation Corps, United States Army. 18 October to 16 December 1955.

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 officers:

Major *Thomas D. Bledsoe, Jr.,* , Signal Corps United States Army. 21 December 1953 to 15 July 1955.

Lieutenant Colonel *Joseph E. Cove,* , Ordnance Corps United States Army. 25 February 1955 to 25 January 1956.

Chaplain (Major) *Douglass F. Hall,* , Chaplains, United States Army. 1 November 1953 to 22 April 1955.

Colonel *Kenneth G. Haymaker,* , Infantry, United States Army. 15 July 1954 to 11 August 1955.

Lieutenant Colonel *William H. Henderson, Jr.,* , Transportation Corps, United States Army. 3 December 1954 to 21 October 1955.

Colonel *Theodore A. Klein,* , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. 1 March 1953 to 9 November 1955.

Colonel *Milton O. Picknell,* , Ordnance Corps, United States Army. 25 February 1955 to 8 December 1955.

Colonel *Carl A. Weaver,* 030044, Infantry, United States Army. 25 February 1955 to 1 February 1956.

3. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 20, AR 600–45, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (second Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Colonel *Orman G. Charles,* , Signal Corps, United States Army. 5 January to 21 February 1955.

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

Private First Class *Raymond C. Deep,* , Military Police Corps, United States Army. 22 May 1955.

5. 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 achievement on the date indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Major *Bruce E. Caswell,* , Infantry, United States Army Reserve. 23 April 1956.

VII..COMMENDATION RIBBON WITH METAL PENDANT. 1. So much of section VII, DA General Orders 65, 1948, as pertains to award of the Army Commendation Ribbon to Major *Raymond A. Brausch,* , as reads "Army Commendation Ribbon" is amended to read **"Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (first Oak Leaf Cluster)."**

2. So much of paragraph 2, section VIII, DA General Orders 25, 1956, as pertains to the award of the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (first Oak Leaf Cluster) to Captain *Hurley T. Wilvert,* , as reads *"Hurley T. Wilbert"* is amended to read ***"Hurley T. Wilvert."***

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

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Chief of Staff.

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