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

Technical Sergeant *Abraham Jamail* (Army serial No.) (then staff sergeant), Infantry, Army of the United States, as section sergeant of Weapons Platoon, Company G, 359th Infantry Regiment, displayed extraordinary heroism in action in the vicinity of St. Suzanne, France, on 4 July 1944. Locating an enemy machine gun which was holding up the company's advance, he fired a rifle grenade into the position, routing the crew of three which he then killed by rifle fire. Receiving fire from the left, he then crossed a heavily mined field to a hedgerow which had been cleared by the enemy to give them better fields of fire. Moving along its embankment, he destroyed another machine gun with grenades and forced the surrender of four others. Reaching the enemy command post, Sergeant *Jamail* killed, wounded, and captured the remainder of the group. (This award supersedes the award of the Silver Star Technical Sergeant *Jamail*, for gallantry in action on the same date, as published in General Orders 38, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, 16 August 1944.)

Staff Sergeant *Gaudencio Licerio* (Army serial No.) (then sergeant), Infantry, Philippine Scouts, United States Army, a member of Company A, 57th Infantry Regiment, distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism at Bataan, Philippine Islands, on 28 March 1942. During the battle of Anyasen Point, he was designated by his company commander as leader of a suicide squad. Under heavy enemy fire, Sergeant *Licerio* engaged the enemy with hand grenades, thereby enabling his battalion to go forward and later to take the enemy position.

II. DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul. 43, WD, 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 was awarded by the War Department, on 27 August 1945, to the following-named officer and is hereby confirmed:

General of the Army *Douglas MacArthur*, O57, United States Army. 20 October 1944 to 4 July 1945.

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

Major *Wilbur J. Lane*, O33011 (then first lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army displayed gallantry in action at Zaragosa, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on AGO 1748B—Apr. 771045°—48

28 December 1941. Major *Lage*, during a crucial action of the 3d Battalion, which was in danger of being overrun by the enemy, courageously led a counter-attack which enabled the battalion to withdraw and thereby avoid serious casualties.

IV..LEGION OF MERIT.—1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 40, WD, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, Bul. 54, WD, 1942), the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted man:

Colonel *Russel H. Patterson*, , Medical Corps, Army of the United States. March 1942 to January 1946.

First Sergeant *Asger Poulsen* (Army serial No.), Field Artillery, United States Army. December 1941 to April 1946.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, Bul. 40, WD, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, Bul. 54, WD, 1942), the Legion of Merit (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:

Colonel *Ralph W. Zwicker*, , General Staff Corps (Infantry), United States Army. 15 October 1944 to May 1945.

V..SOLDIER'S MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bul. 8, WD, 1926), the Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named enlisted man:

Corporal *Ryan Webb* (Army serial No.) (then private first class), Signal Corps, United States Army, a member of Headquarters, 60th Military Government Company, distinguished himself by an act of heroism, on 10 May 1947, at Pusan, Korea. Without hesitation, he climbed a high voltage electric transmission pole where one of his comrades was suspended head down and suffering from a severe electrical shock. Corporal *Webb*, at the risk of his life and working close to a live electric cable, carefully lowered the man to the ground. He then descended from the pole and employed artificial respiration for nearly an hour in an attempt to save the life of the soldier. Corporal *Webb's* heroic actions are deserving of the highest praise.

VI..BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, Bul. 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named officer:

First Lieutenant *Wayne B. Yale*, O453006, Infantry, Army of the United States, 24 November 1942.

VII..BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, Bul. 3, WD, 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 and enlisted man:

Technical Sergeant *Harry E. Diem* (Army serial No.), Air Corps, Army of the United States. January to August 1945.

- Captain *Vicente C. Juvlar*, (then first lieutenant), Medical Corps, Philippine Army. October to December 1944.
- Major *Howard J. Kelley*, (then captain), Coast Artillery Corps, Army of the United States. December 1941 to June 1943.
- Colonel *Joseph T. Kingsley, Jr.*, Air Corps, United States Army. February to July 1945.
- Colonel Warren S. Miller, Jr., (then lieutenant colonel), Inspector General's Department, Army of the United States. June 1943 to May 1944.
- Major *Michael M. Ushakoff*, (then captain), Air Corps, Army of the United States. 7 December 1941 to 9 April 1942.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, Bul. 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded the following-named enlisted man:

Corporal *Richard Hobbs* (Army serial No. _____), Infantry, Army of the United States. 5 and 6 July 1944.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, Bul. 3, WD, 1944), award of the Bronze Star Medal to the following-named officer, approved on 5 October 1945, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is confirmed and made a matter of official record:

Group Captain *Thomas F. D. Morgan*. Royal Air Force. June 1944 to April 1945.

4. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, Bul. 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Colonel *Henry E. Royall*, (then lieutenant colonel), Infantry, United States Army. 30 November and 1 December 1944.

VIII. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, Bul. 3, WD, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named enlisted man:

Sergeant *Efren L. Suyat* (_____) Infantry, Philippine Army, a member of the 121st Infantry, Philippine Army, distinguished himself by heroic achievement, about 25 March 1945, near Naguillian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When two Japanese, one of whom was believed to be an important officer, refused to surrender and leave a cave in which they were concealed, and when grenades thrown into the cave failed to bring them out or destroy them, he courageously entered the cave and killed one of the Japanese who survived the explosion of the grenades. Sergeant *Suyat's* courageous act permitted searching the cave and securing numerous papers and records for transmission to the intelligence service.

IX. ARMY COMMENDATION RIBBON.—1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 17.1, AR 600-45, the Army Commendation Ribbon for meritorious service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers, chief warrant officer, and enlisted man:

Master Sergeant *Edward Cespiva* (Army serial No. _____), United States Army. December 1946 to January 1948.

Colonel *William C. Foote*, , Coast Artillery Corps, (General Staff Corps), United States Army. October 1945 to November 1947.

Lieutenant Colonel *William A. Karp*, , Infantry, Army of the United States. May through September 1947.

Captain *William G. Kuhn, Jr.*, , Medical Corps, Army of the United States. January 1945 to March 1946.

Captain *Paul G. Laird*, , Finance Department, United States Army. March 1944 to December 1945.

Major *Francis M. McCullar*, , Infantry, Army of the United States. May 1946 to December 1947.

Chief Warrant Officer *Robert J. Meier* (), United States Army. 13 February to 20 September 1947.

First Lieutenant *Walter I. Moreland*, , Infantry, Army of the United States. 10 January to 10 April 1947.

2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 17.1, AR 600-45, the Army Commendation Ribbon for meritorious achievement during the periods indicated is awarded to the follow-named enlisted men:

Private *William R. Branham, Jr.* (Army serial No.), Field Artillery, United States Army. 21 October 1947.

Private *Raymond L. Davis* (Army serial No. RA), Ordnance Department, United States Army. 7 February 1948.

Master Sergeant *Ova E. Edington* (Army serial No.), Transportation Corps, United States Army. 24 July 1947.

Corporal *Fred D. Lambert* (Army serial No.), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. 11 January 1948.

3. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 17.1, AR 600-45, the Army Commendation Ribbon (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named enlisted man:

Master Sergeant *Siegfried Oppenheim* (Army serial No.), Army of the United States. 15 January to 15 March 1946.

X. LEGION OF MERIT.—1. So much of paragraph 1, section VI, General Orders 4, Department of the Army, 1948, as pertains to Air Vice Marshal *C. A. Boucher*, Royal Air Force, as reads "Air Vice Marshal *C. A. Boucher*" is amended to read "Air Vice Marshal *C. A. Bouchier*."

2. So much of paragraph 1, section II, General Orders 6, Department of the Army, 1948, as pertains to Brigadier *H. S. T. King*, British Army, as reads "Brigadier *H. S. T. King*" is amended to read "Brigadier *Horace T. S. King*."

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

OFFICIAL:

EDWARD F. WITSELL
Major General
The Adjutant General

OMAR N. BRADLEY
Chief of Staff, United States Army