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GENERAL ORDERS No. 8

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON 25, D. C., *16 February 1951*

AWARD OF THE MEDAL OF HONOR

By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Medal of Honor for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty is awarded by the Department of the Army in the name of Congress to the following-named officer:

First Lieutenant *Frederick F. Henry*, , Infantry, Army of the United States, Company F, 38th Infantry Regiment, distinguished himself by conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty in action on 1 September 1950 in the vicinity of Am-Dong, Korea. His platoon was holding a strategic ridge near the town when they were attacked by a superior enemy force, supported by heavy mortar and artillery fire. Seeing his platoon disorganized by this fanatical assault, he left his fox hole and moving along the line ordered his men to stay in place and keep firing. Encouraged by this heroic action the platoon reformed a defense line and rained devastating fire on the enemy, checking his advance. Enemy fire had knocked out all communications and Lieutenant *Henry* was unable to determine whether or not the main line of resistance was alerted to this heavy attack. On his own initiative, although severely wounded, he decided to hold his position as long as possible and ordered the wounded evacuated and their weapons and ammunition brought to him. Establishing a one-man defensive position, he ordered the platoon's withdrawal and despite his wound and with complete disregard for himself remained behind to cover the movement. When last seen he was singlehandedly firing all available weapons so effectively that he caused an estimated 50 enemy casualties. His ammunition was soon expended and his position overrun, but this intrepid action saved the platoon and halted the enemy's advance until the main line of resistance was prepared to throw back the attack. Lieutenant *Henry's* outstanding gallantry and noble self-sacrifice above and beyond the call of duty reflect the highest honor on him and are in keeping with the esteemed traditions of the Army of the United States.

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