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I. DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under 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:

Colonel *Edwin C. Greiner,* Armor, United States Army, 25 July 1950 to 1 September 1954. (This award supersedes the prior award of the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious service from 25 July to 2 November 1950 as announced in General Orders No. 125, Headquarters, Far East Command, 20 May 1951.)

II. LEGION OF MERIT.—1. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942), and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 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 officers:

Colonel *William M. Delaney,* , General Staff, United States Army. 21 July 1952 to 21 June 1954. (This award supersedes the prior award of the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct from 21 July 1952 to 24 April 1953 as announced in General Orders No. 122, Headquarters, United States Army Forces, Far East, 27 April 1953.)

Brigadier General *William J. Deyo, Jr.,* (then colonel), United States Army. 30 January 1952 to 1 June 1954.

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

Brigadier General *David W. Traub,* (then colonel, General Staff), United States Army. 10 May 1953 to 27 July 1954.

3. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit (second Oak-Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Brigadier General *Hugh Mackintosh,* , United States Army. 26 September 1952 to 10 June 1954.

4. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit (third Oak-Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritotrious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Brigadier General *Edwin J. Messinger,* United States Army. 24 April 1953 to 11 July 1954.

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III..LEGION OF MERIT.—1. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), 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:

Major General *Park Dong Kyun*, Republic of Korea Army. 25 October 1951 to 5 September 1953.

Brigadier General *Lim Boo Taek*, 10117, Republic of Korea Army. 29 August 1952 to 24 September 1953.

2. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), 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 *Cornelius Knulst*, 180721009, Infantry, Royal Netherlands Army. 24 July 1953 to 8 July 1954.

Colonel *Cemal Madanoglu*, 20504, Infantry, Turkish Army. 3 August 1953 to 26 June 1954.

Colonel *Gerald L. Morgan-Smith*, Royal Canadian Army. 14 May 1952 to 15 May 1953.

Lieutenant Colonel *Cornelis M. Schilperoord*, Netherlands Army. 1 August 1952 to 30 July 1953.

IV..SOLDIER'S MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under 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 officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant *David S. Johnson*, O974259, Artillery, United States Army, a member of Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 74th Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, 18th Antiaircraft Artillery Group, distinguished himself by heroism at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on 5 January 1954. When Lieutenant *Johnson* was notified that an apartment in the building across from his own was on fire he unhesitatingly rushed to the scene of the fire and attempted to enter the burning apartment which was located on the second floor. Being partially overcome by the intense smoke and heat he was unsuccessful in his first attempt and returned to the ground floor for air. With utter disregard for his personal safety he returned to the blazing apartment to make a positive determination that the occupants were either already out or attempt evacuation. He crawled into the apartment and found an unconscious woman on the floor. Unable to stand, owing to the intensity of the smoke and flames, he dragged her and himself out into the hall where he was assisted in the completion of the rescue, removing the victim to a place of safety. The prompt, courageous, and determined action taken by Lieutenant *Johnson* in the face of grave danger reflects distinct credit on himself and the military service.

Sergeant First Class *Alan B. Maggio* (Service No. RA12262338) United States Army, a member of the 77th Special Forces Group (Airborne), distinguished himself by heroism at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, on 30 March 1954. While in his unit supply room, he heard a loud crash. Running out he observed that a C-119 aircraft had crashed into a mess hall building in the area. Realizing the possibilities of an explosion, he first tried to warn personnel away from the area. With complete disregard for his own safety, he then ran into the flaming wreckage to assist in the rescue of injured personnel. He remained until all personnel had

been removed and the fire was completely under control. Sergeant First Class *Maggio's* prompt and courageous action was instrumental in saving the lives of injured personnel and reflects great credit on himself and the military service.

Corporal *Orval D. McGee* , United States Army, a member of the 77th Special Forces Group (Airborne), distinguished himself by heroism at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, on 30 March 1954. He was in his barracks attending a scheduled class when he heard the soud of airplane engines, followed by a loud crash. Running out of the building, he observed that a C-119 aircraft had crashed into a mess hall in the area. He ran to the scene of the wreck and, without regard for his personal safety, entered the blazing debris to assist in the rescue of trapped personnel. He remained until the injured personnel were removed and then assisted in fighting the fire until it was completely under control. Corporal *McGee's* prompt and courageous action was instrumental in saving the lives of injured personnel and reflects great credit on himself and the military service.

Sergeant First Class *Joseph Pastula* United *States* Army, a member of the 77th Special Forces Group (Airborne), distinguished himself by heroism at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, on 30 March 1954. He was in his barracks conducting a class when he heard the roar of airplane engines, followed by a loud crash. Running out of the building, he observed that a C-119 aircraft had crashed into a mess hall building in the area. He immediately ran to the scene of the accident and, without regard for his personal safety, entered the flaming debris to aid in the rescue of injured, trapped personnel. He continued to assist until all personnel were removed and the fire was fully under control. Sergeant First Class *Pastula's* prompt and courageous action was undoubtedly instrumental in saving the lives of injured personnel and reflects great credit on himself and the military service.

Private *Gordon Wireman* Signal Corps, United States Army, a member of Student Company 11, The Southeastern Signal School, Camp Gordon, Georgia, distinguished himself by heroism in Augusta, Georgia, on 9 May 1954. While walking past a residence on Walker Street he and a comrade observed a fire in the downstairs portion of an old, frame type, two-story building. Even though informed that the building was believed to be unoccupied, with initiative and foresight he unhesitatingly entered the flaming building shouting alarms, attempting to arouse any possible residents. Two persons were discovered vainly attempting to escape from the second floor. Despite the raging flames and intense smoke, Private *Wireman* rushed to the assistance of the victims without regard for his personal safety. Through his heroic action the two occupants were rescued and brought to a place of safety. Private *Wireman's* prompt and courageous action was responsible for preventing serious injury or possible death to the two trapped persons and reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

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

First Lieutenant *Roger B. Kirchofer,* Infantry, United States Army, a member of the 38th Infantry Regiment, 2d Infantry Division distinguished himself by heroic conduct in action against the enemy in the Mug-Gol sector of Korea, on 18 and 19 May 1951. Units of the 1st Battalion had suffered serious casualties, their organization was disrupted and the remnants of the battalion

were encircled by enemy forces. Lieutenant *Kirchofer* assumed command and, with disregard to hazards to his own life, he led his comrades in a determined effort to effect a break through. Although the enemy troops were located in positions on higher ground and were delivering heavy fire against the surrounded troops, an attack was launched which succeeded in forcing the enemy to withdraw with heavy casualties. Upon reaching the area where it was expected to join with friendly forces, Lieutenant *Kirchofer* observed that the area was completely occupied by hostile forces. Lieutenant *Kirchofer* then ordered his men to break up into small groups and to move back to friendly lines under cover of darkness. Lieutenant *Kirchofer* voluntarily remained in charge of his wounded comrades in order to surrender to the enemy with hopes that the wounded would receive medical attention. Lieutenant *Kirchofer's* courage, determination of purpose and unwavering devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

VI..BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under 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 enlisted men:

Corporal *Harry E. Fulks* nfantry, United States Army. April 1951 to September 1953.

Sergeant *Alfred A. Goforth* Artillery, United States Army. November 1950 to September 1953.

Corporal *Candido Mascarenas* (then private first class) Infantry, United States Army. 2 July to 15 July 1950.

VII..BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—1. By direction of the President, under Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944) a Bronze Star Medal with "V" device for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded to the following-named officers, enlisted men, and individuals:

Mr. *Chong Sang Jun*, Republic of Korea civilian, distinguished himself by heroism in action against the enemy in Korea, on 12 April 1953. As a member of a raiding party behind enemy lines, Mr. *Chong* actively participated in the completion of a special mission which significantly assisted the intelligence effort in Korea. This daring operation resulted in the capture of a field grade officer and other enemy personnel, together with numerous important documents, providing extremely timely and useful information on many phases of the enemy situation. The heroism displayed by Mr. *Chong* in the performance of these hazardous duties contributed greatly to the successful accomplishment of a difficult mission. Mr. *Chong's* courageous actions and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the Republic of Korea.

Corporal (then private first class) *French L. Kennedy* Infantry, United States Army, a member of Company L, 34th Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division, distinguished himself by heroic achievement in Korea from 2 July to 15 July 1950. During a delaying and covering action fought by his unit in the "P'yongtaek-Taejon" area Corporal *Kennedy* displayed outstanding courage while serving as a machine gunner. Corporal *Kennedy* constantly exposed himself to danger in order to deliver effective fire against the enemy. Corporal *Kennedy* voluntarily remained behind during withdrawals to lay a base of machine gun fire which contributed materially in saving lives of friendly forces and inflicting heavy casualties on the

enemy. His actions helped to break up hostile attacks, delaying and disorganizing the main attacking forces. Corporal *Kennedy's* courageous actions and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

Mr. *Chong Moon Kon*, Republic of Korea civilian, distinguished himself by heroism in action against the enemy in Korea, on 12 April 1953. As a member of a raiding party behind enemy lines, Mr. *Chong* actively participated in the completion of a special mission which significantly assisted the intelligence effort in Korea. This daring operation resulted in the capture of a field grade officer and other enemy personnel, together with numerous important documents, providing extremely timely and useful information on many phases of the enemy situation. The heroism displayed by Mr. *Chong* in the performance of these hazardous duties contributed greatly to the successful accomplishment of a difficult mission. Mr. *Chong's* courageous actions and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the Republic of Korea.

Captain *Arthur H. Lozano*, Artillery, United States Army, a member of the 38th Field Artillery Battalion, 2d Infantry Division, distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy near Changyong, Korea, on 4 September 1950. At approximately 0800 hours, a sizable enemy force which had entrenched themselves on "Hill 285," began delivering deadly accurate mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire in preparation for an attack upon Headquarters Battery, which was under complete observation of the enemy. As the fire direction center tent was riddled by shell fragments during this intense volume of fire, Captain *Lozano* ordered his men to take cover. Then, aided only by a chart operator and a computer, Captain *Lozano* continuously exposed himself to the full view of the enemy for approximately 2 hours in order to move about and direct and observe the fire of an artillery battery upon the enemy. Disregarding his personal safety, and ignoring the mortar rounds continuously bursting in the area, Captain *Lozano* succeeded in silencing the enemy fires and stopped the impending attack upon Headquarters Battery. Captain *Lozano's* unflinching courage, tenacity, and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

2. By direction of the President, under Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal with "V" device (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded to the following-named enlisted man:

Master Sergeant *Joseph F. Dutra* Artillery, United States Army, distinguished himself by heroic achievement near Kunu-ri, Korea, on 3 December 1950. Sergeant *Dutra* was one of a group of approximately one hundred American soldiers captured by the enemy and being held in a small, crowded railroad station under heavy guard and warned with threats by their captors to remain out of sight of United Nations aircraft which were sweeping the entire area to destroy abandoned American equipment. When an American truck was sighted parked next to the station, friendly aircraft commenced diving and strafing the vehicle and station. Realizing that the continuation of this strafing would imperil the lives of his comrades, Sergeant *Dutra* rushed out in the face of the next strafing effort, furiously waving a cerise signal panel which he had retained. The pilot then flew in low, satisfactorily identifying the friendly soldiers and ceased the air strike on that target. Sergeant *Dutra's* quick thinking and prompt, courageous action reflect credit on himself and the military service.

3. By direction of the President, under Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944) the Bronze Star Medal with "V" device for heroic

conduct 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:

Sergeant First Class *Alfred Irelan* (then sergeant), Infantry, United States Army, a member of Company C, 19th Infantry Regiment, 24th Division, distinguished himself by heroic conduct in action against the enemy near Onsan, Korea, on 4 November 1950. Sergeant *Irelan* displayed outstanding leadership while in charge of a patrol assigned a difficult and hazardous mission to contact the enemy and secure vital information urgently required in order that adequate defense measures could be taken preparatory to an expected and imminent attack. Subsequent to the fierce and determined hostile action Sergeant *Irelan's* unit was assigned the mission of covering the forced withdrawal of his battalion. Despite the heavy enemy fire and a wound received during this action, Sergeant *Irelan* skilfully deployed his men and laid down an effective covering fire, successfully delaying the enemy and inflicting heavy casualties on the attackers. After friendly elements had accomplished the withdrawal, he successfully led his squad back to the main line of resistance. Sergeant *Irelan's* outstanding leadership and courageous actions reflect credit on himself and the military service.

Captain *Louis Rockwerk*, , Infantry, United States Army, a member of Company C, 19th Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division, distinguished himself by heroic conduct in action against the enemy near Anju, Korea, on 4 November 1950. His unit occupied defensive positions on a small hill which was dominated by strong enemy positions located on commanding terrain features overlooking friendly defenses. Hostile forces launched a strong, determined assault, attacking from the rear, delivering extremely heavy small arms and automatic weapons fire. Captain *Rockwerk* constantly exposed himself to enemy fire checking positions and organizing his unit for a possible counterattack. Despite the growing shortage of ammunition Captain *Rockwerk* directed accurately steady fire into the ranks of the enemy causing heavy casualties. When it became obvious that the attackers would overrun his position Captain *Rockwerk* successfully destroyed his vehicles and heavy weapons to prevent their capture. Captain *Rockwerk's* courageous actions, tenacity of purpose, and inspiring leadership reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

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

Sergeant *A. J. Becker* , Infantry, United States Army. November 1950 to August 1953.

Corporal *Donald R. Bittner* Infantry, United States Army. May 1951 to September 1953.

Master Sergeant *Claude A. Boody* , Infantry, United States Army. January 1951 to September 1953.

Sergeant First Class *Charles B. Brock, Jr.* Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. December 1951 to August 1953.

Sergeant *Ira J. Brown* , Infantry, United States Army. May 1951 to August 1953.

Colonel *Charles W. Buttermore*, Dental Corps, United States Army. 4 December 1951 to 7 June 1954.

Sergeant *Gale W. Carter* , Infantry, United States Army. April 1951 to August 1953.

Corporal *Jesse W. Clay* , Infantry, United States Army. April 1951 to August 1953.

Sergeant First Class *Kenneth E. Cope* , Infantry, United States Army. December 1950 to September 1953.

Sergeant *Willie J. Dorrill* , Artillery, United States Army. December 1950 to August 1953.

Captain *Sidney Esensten,* Medical Corps, United States Army. November 1950 to September 1953.

Sergeant *Richard W. Grape* Infantry, United States Army. January 1951 to August 1953.

Corporal *Ramon L. Gray* , Infantry, United States Army. February 1951 to August 1953.

Sergeant *Edward E. Luksan* Infantry, United States Army. November 1951 to September 1953.

Corporal *Clarence J. Mitchell* , Infantry, United States Army. 12 February 1951 to 2 September 1953.

Sergeant *Lloyd W. Pate* Infantry, United States Army. 3 January 1951 to 18 August 1953.

Private First Class *Gene R. Patton* , Infantry, United States Army. 1 December 1950 to 1 September 1953.

Sergeant First Class *Russell C. Pinnell* Infantry, United States Army. November 1950 to March 1951.

Warrant Officer (junior grade) *Donald H. Ryan* , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. During August 1953.

Corporal *Joseph B. Cujdik* , Artillery, United States Army. 10 February 1954.

Corporal *Donald R. Daniel* , Infantry, United States Army. On 16 May 1954.

Private First Class *Richard L. Gardner* , (then Private), Artillery, United States Army. 29 April 1954.

Private First Class *Dennis F. Hutchison* , Artillery, United States Army. 29 April 1954.

Private First Class *Benjamin Simpo* , United States Army. 20 April 1954.

Corporal *Robert L. Tanguay* , Corps of Engineers, United States Army. On 17 May 1954.

Sergeant *Glenn E. Wicker* Artillery, United States Army. 29 April 1954.

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