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I. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and under authority contained in Circular No 32, Headquarters European Theater of Operations, United States Army, 20 March 1944, as amended, the Distinguished-Service Cross is awarded to:

Technical Sergeant John Van Der Kamp, 36605652, Infantry, 120th Infantry Regiment, 30th Infantry Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations on 21 December 1944 in Belgium. When the leader of his section was killed during a savage enemy attack, Sergeant Van Der Kamp completely disregarding personal safety, took command of the section in the midst of a devastating hail of fire. Although he was wounded, Sergeant Van Der Kamp continued to lead the section in halting the bitter enemy attack. When his section was ordered to move to new positions, Sergeant Van Der Kamp refused to be evacuated until his men had established their new positions and darkness had fallen. The extraordinary heroism and courageous actions of Sergeant Van Der Kamp reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Ivan B. Waterbury, 36952254, (then Sergeant), Infantry, 175th Infantry Regiment, 29th Infantry Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations on 28 February 1945 in Germany. As Sergeant Waterbury's unit approached a high railroad embankment, fire from an enemy 88mm gun destroyed two of the tanks leading the advance and stopped the entire force. Sergeant Waterbury and another soldier, completely disregarding personal safety, assaulted the enemy positions killing one and capturing six of the enemy, thereby enabling the attack to continue. The extraordinary heroism and courageous actions of Sergeant Waterbury reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class Russell M. Frederick, 35922790, Infantry, 175th Infantry Regiment, 29th Infantry Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations on 28 February 1945 in Germany. As Private Frederick's unit approached a high railroad embankment, fire from an enemy 88mm gun destroyed two of the tanks leading the advance and stopped the entire force. Private Frederick and another soldier, completely disregarding personal safety, assaulted the enemy positions killing one and capturing six of the enemy, thereby enabling the attack to continue. The extraordinary heroism and courageous actions of Private Frederick reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Edward F. Servis, Jr., 37390095, Infantry, 335th Infantry Regiment, 84th Infantry Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations in Germany on 24 February 1945. During a bitter enemy counterattack, Private Servis, disregarding personal safety, assaulted an enemy position from which three machine guns were firing simultaneously and forced the surrender of the crews. He then proceeded to other enemy positions, capturing a total of thirty prisoners. Private Servis was responsible for

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repulsing the enemy counterattack and enabling his company to successfully complete its mission. The extraordinary heroism and courageous actions of Private Servie reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

II. AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and under authority contained in Circular No 32, Headquarters European Theater of Operations, United States Army, 20 March 1944, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded to:

Private First Class Raymond E. Hall, 37635587, Field Artillery, 548th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroism and courageous action. On 19 April 1945, the truck in which Private Hall was riding, went off a bridge it was crossing and plunged into the canal below. When Private Hall came to the top of the water he noticed that the truck driver was pinned in the cab of the truck. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Private Hall dived below the surface, released the driver, pulled him to shore, rendered artificial respiration and summoned medical aid. The heroism and courage of Private Hall reflect much credit upon himself and uphold the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

III. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE. Under authority contained in Section I, Circular No 345, War Department, 23 August 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to:

The 181st Ordnance Depot Company for superior execution of duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks. From 6 February 1945 to 10 April 1945, the 181st Ordnance Depot Company rendered meritorious service in the accomplishment of its numerous duties on the continent. Throughout this period, this unit achieved and maintained a high standard of discipline and demonstrated superior performance in every duty it was assigned. The conduct of the 181st Ordnance Depot Company is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service.

Command of Lieutenant General SIMPSON:

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