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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HARLAN E. FAGG,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Battery A, Second 155-mm. Howitzer Battalion, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, in action against enemy Japanese forces at Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 24 February 1945. While his battery was receiving heavy enemy counterbattery fire, Private First Class Fagg boldly ran through a raging ammunition fire to rescue a bulldozer operator who had been overcome by the heat and smoke while pushing dirt over the blazing ammunition. Then, he mounted the bulldozer and continued to extinguish the raging fires which threatened the entire battery area. By his daring initiative, cool courage and aggressive spirit, Private First Class Fagg upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Craig, Colorado,
B--TerreHarte, Ind.

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Spot Award
Serial 00368
Signed MAY 29 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS FRANCIS J. FAGONE, USMC

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Second Marine Parachute Battalion during a raid on enemy Japanese forces on Choiseul Island, Solomon Islands, November 1 and 2, 1943. In the point of the patrol when a Japanese ambush was encountered, Private First Class Fagone unhesitatingly advanced directly into the enemy force as soon as contact was made. After destroying two snipers, he dispersed a group of six Japanese with hand grenades and automatic rifle fire, facing heavy enemy fire in order to cover the remainder of the point until the ambush was successfully routed. His aggressive fighting spirit and cool courage under fire were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R...Brooklyn, N.Y.

B... " "

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL LEONARD J. FAGOT,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Squad Leader of Company H, Third Battalion, Twenty-ninth Marines, Sixth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 14 May 1945. When the Platoon Leader became a casualty and the Platoon Sergeant became separated from the platoon during the assault on the Naha-Shuri line, Corporal Fagot assumed command of the unit. Quickly effecting a reorganization, he led a furious charge that overran enemy mortar positions on the reverse slope of the hill in his line of advance, killing the Japanese gunners and capturing the mortars. Although units on his left and right had been unable to advance by nightfall, he requested permission to remain on the hill despite the exposed platoon flanks and, fighting off furious hostile counterattacks during the night, enabled his men to render the entire enemy position untenable the following morning. His aggressive leadership, indomitable fighting spirit and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Baltimore, Md.
B--New Orleans, La.

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The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL CHARLES F. FAIN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Squad Leader, serving with Company G, Second Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 13 May 1945. Fearlessly leading his squad through dense jungle terrain and heavy enemy machine-gun, rifle and mortar fire in a fierce assault upon the strongly defended Japanese village of Dakeshi, Corporal Fain directed the activities of his men with outstanding tactical skill and, when the advance was retarded by relentless blasts from an enemy machine gun, risked his life to employ a near-by tank in neutralizing the opposing installation, thereby enabling his group to accomplish its objective. By his courageous initiative, daring aggressiveness and heroic action throughout this perilous engagement, Corporal Fain contributed materially to the success of our forces in capturing this important Japanese stronghold. His inspiring conduct was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Atlanta, Georgia
B--Atlanta, Georgia

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Serial 1430
Signed DEC 22 1943

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE WILLIAM M. FALBE, U.S.M.C.R.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action against enemy Japanese forces in the Tassafarong-Matanikau River Area, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on January 13, 1943. Courageously risking his life, Private Falbe with a companion, set out ahead of his lines on a hazardous voluntary mission to rescue two wounded marines. Dangerously exposed to intense enemy fire, the two men fought their way over a bullet-swept area and then into dense jungle undergrowth. Although his companion was killed on the way, Private Falbe, completely unaided, brought back the wounded marines to our lines, then gallantly returned for his comrade's body bringing it back to safety. Through his unwavering courage and extreme fortitude, he saved the lives of two men who otherwise might have perished. His heroic conduct and valiant devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

r - Carlyle, Illinois

b - Belleville, Illinois

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Serial 0939
Signed OCT 9 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in
presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT ARTHUR C. FALLA, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a squad leader serving with the First Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Cape Gloucester, New Britain on January 25, 1944. Cut off from friendly troops on a strip of beach, Sergeant Falla fearlessly exposed himself to a direct line of hostile fire and signaled by semaphore to the main body for orders. When a half-track landed on the beach, Sergeant Falla boldly advanced under fire with his squad, silencing two enemy machine guns and, despite serious wounds received during the action, led his men to safety. His daring initiative, unwavering determination and heroic devotion to duty were an inspiration to his men and in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Arlington, Mass.
B - Cambridge, Mass.

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Serial 61533
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE RAWLAND T. FALLER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 8 May 1945. When his unit was pinned down by a heavy enemy machine-gun and mortar barrage, Private Faller exposed himself to the hostile fire to make his way to the enemy positions well in front of our lines, and set demolition charges which resulted in the destruction of two Japanese machine guns, one mortar and the closing of several caves from which enemy snipers had been firing. By his outstanding courage he enabled his comrades to advance to their objective with a minimum of casualties, and his devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--St. Louis, Mo.,
B--Olivette, Mo.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GEOFFREY L. FANNING,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company G, Second Battalion, Ninth Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, 25 July 1944. When his company moved forward at dark during the assault on Fonte Hill, Private First Class Fanning voluntarily remained behind and, guarding three wounded men throughout the night despite exposure to constant enemy rifle and mortar fire, killed five Japanese snipers who approached his position. His cool courage, determination and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--San Francisco, Calif.

B--Minneapolis, Minn.

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Serial 58485
Signed DEC 17 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT RUDOLPH E. FANSKA,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company I, Third Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 2 May 1945. Realizing that two secret weapons dropped by a wounded comrade must not fall into enemy possession, Sergeant Fanska worked his way down a high, steep ridge, braving hostile small-arms fire for three hundred yards, to recover the valuable items and insure their safe return to the company. His courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

R--Los Angeles, Calif.,
B--Washington, Ind.

Secretary of the Navy.

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HEADQUARTERS
PHILIPPINE COAST ARTILLERY COMMAND
Fort Mills, Philippine Islands

9 April, 1942

GENERAL ORDERS)

Number22)

1. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, War Department, August 8, 1932, the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, Philippine Coast Artillery Command, for gallantry in action, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

* * * *

JOHN S. FANTONE, First Lieutenant, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P. I. For gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, March 25, 1942. During the course of a heavy bombing attack by enemy planes on Fort Mills, when a large barracks in the Kindley Field area was set afire, First Lieutenant FANTONE, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, left a place of shelter and aided in fighting the fire, during which time ammunition was exploding in the area and two flights of planes dropped several strings of bombs on the island.

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By command of Major General MOORE:

L. J. BOWLER,
Colonel, C.A.C.
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

SILVER STAR (Army) - Awarded by dispatch April 27, 1942. Filed on case 1740-55-65. Service at Ph. Is.

The following is a copy of a copy of a recommendation attached to Fitness Reports dated 31 March 1942 and received in this office August 1942.

HEADQUARTERS
First Battalion, Fourth Marines.

28 March, 1942.

From: The Commanding Officer.
To: The Commanding Officer, Fourth Marines.
Subject: Recommendations for award of Silver Star.

1. On 25 March, 1942, when the barracks of the 92nd Coast Artillery (PS) were set on fire by a hostile bombing attack the below named officers and enlisted men, without regard for personal danger and while hostile planes were overhead, on their own initiative, outstandingly assisted in getting the fire under control thus preventing complete destruction of buildings and defense installations in the area. The explosion of small arms and other ammunition stored in the area greatly increased the hazardous fire fighting operations.

FANTONE, John S. ✓	05945	First Lieutenant, USMC
CALAYAG, Cesar G. B. (Not a member of the Marine Corps)		Second Lieut., PA
LINVILLE, Bert S.	223548	Platoon Sergeant, USMC
WILLIAMS, Everett S.	278917	Sergeant, USMC
BAUM, Benjamin G.	265672	Corporal, USMC
PETERSEN, Melvin W.	273460	Corporal, USMC
FARNER, Robert P.	273003	Private First Class, USMC
HOOPS, James L.	290269	Private First Class, USMC
LAKE, Donald E.	271842	Private First Class, USMC
NELSON, George B.	279899	Private First Class, USMC
SWAHN, Berkley R.	279837	Private First Class, USMC

2. On 25 March, 1942, when the barracks of the 92nd Coast Artillery (PS) were set on fire by a hostile bombing attack Captain Paul A. Brown, U.S.M.C.R., without regard for personal danger and while hostile planes were overhead, directed members of his company in getting the fire under control thus preventing complete destruction of buildings and defense installations in the area. The explosion of small arms and other ammunition stored in the area greatly increased the hazardous fire fighting operations.

HEADQUARTERS
First Battalion, Fourth Marines.

28 March, 1942.

Subject: Recommendations for award of Silver Star.

3. On 25 March, 1942, when the barracks of the 92nd Coast Artillery (PS) were set on fire by a hostile bombing attack Captain Golland L. Clark, Jr., U.S.M.C., and First Lieutenant Ralph R. Penick, U.S.M.C., members of the First Battalion staff, without regard for personal danger and while hostile planes were overhead, voluntarily proceeded to the scene of the fire and assisted in getting it under control thus preventing the complete destruction of buildings and defense installations in the area. The explosion of small arms and other ammunition stored in the area greatly increased the hazardous fire fighting operations.

4. It is recommended that favorable consideration given to the award of the Silver Star to the above mentioned officers and men.

CURTIS T. BEECHER

R.--Norfolk, Virginia

B.--Norfolk, Virginia

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Serial 19853
Signed SEP 9 1947

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WILLIAM R. FARLEY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as an Automatic Rifleman while serving with Battery I, Third Battalion, Fourteenth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 27 June 1944. When his battery position was fired on at close range by approximately forty-five Japanese who had infiltrated into the battalion area at dawn, Private First Class Farley valiantly stood in the road and, under intense hostile fire, kept the enemy pinned down until the stretcher-bearers had safely evacuated the wounded and the rest of the battalion had made a necessary withdrawal to wait for reinforcements. His cool initiative, steadfast courage and unwavering devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Farley and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Westdale, New York
B--Florence, New York.

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Signed.....
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The President of the United States takes pleasure in
presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT LESLIE P. FARMER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Platoon Sergeant of Company C, First Battalion, Ninth Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 25 February 1945. Wounded in the leg while participating in an assault across Motoyama Airfield Number Two against strong hostile forces entrenched on commanding ground, Sergeant Farmer refused to be evacuated and, when enemy activity was observed on the exposed left flank of the company, moved the platoon to the exposed flank to annihilate an attacking force of twenty of the enemy and secure the flank against further attack. His resolute courage and steadfast devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

R-Cedar Rapids, Iowa
B-Goldfield, Iowa

Secretary of the Navy.

SILVER STAR (Army) - Awarded by dispatch April 27, 1942. Filed on case 1740-55-65. Service at Ph. Ia.

The following is a copy of a copy of a recommendation attached to Fitness Reports dated 31 March 1942 and received in this office August 1942.

HEADQUARTERS
First Battalion, Fourth Marines.

28 March, 1942.

From: The Commanding Officer.
To: The Commanding Officer, Fourth Marines.
Subject: Recommendations for award of Silver Star.

1. On 25 March, 1942, when the barracks of the 92nd Coast Artillery (PS) were set on fire by a hostile bombing attack the below named officers and enlisted men, without regard for personal danger and while hostile planes were overhead, on their own initiative, outstandingly assisted in getting the fire under control thus preventing complete destruction of buildings and defense installations in the area. The explosion of small arms and other ammunition stored in the area greatly increased the hazardous fire fighting operations.

FANTONE, John S.		First Lieutenant, USMC
GALAYAG, Cesar G. B.	(Not a member of the Marine Corps)	Second Lieut., PA
LINVILLE, Bert S.	223548	Platoon Sergeant, USMC
WILLIAMS, Everett S.	278917	Sergeant, USMC
BAUM, Benjamin G.	285872	Corporal, USMC
PETERSEN, Melvin W.	273460	Corporal, USMC
FARNER, Robert P. ✓	273003	Private First Class, USMC
HOOPS, James L.	290289	Private First Class, USMC
LAKE, Donald E.	271842	Private First Class, USMC
NELSON, George B.	279899	Private First Class, USMC
SWANN, Berkley R.	279837	Private First Class, USMC

2. On 25 March, 1942, when the barracks of the 92nd Coast Artillery (PS) were set on fire by a hostile bombing attack Captain Paul A. Brown, U.S.M.C.R., without regard for personal danger and while hostile planes were overhead, directed members of his company in getting the fire under control thus preventing complete destruction of buildings and defense installations in the area. The explosion of small arms and other ammunition stored in the area greatly increased the hazardous fire fighting operations.

HEADQUARTERS
First Battalion, Fourth Marines

28 March, 1942.

Subject: Recommendations for award of Silver Star.

3. On 25 March, 1942, when the barracks of the 92nd Coast Artillery (PS) were set on fire by a hostile bombing attack Captain Golland L. Clark, Jr., U.S.M.C., and First Lieutenant Ralph R. Penick, U.S.M.C., members of the First Battalion staff, without regard for personal danger and while hostile planes were overhead, voluntarily proceeded to the scene of the fire and assisted in getting it under control thus preventing the complete destruction of buildings and defense installations in the area. The explosion of small arms and other ammunition stored in the area greatly increased the hazardous fire fighting operations.

4. It is recommended that favorable consideration be given to the award of the Silver Star to the above mentioned officers and men.

CURTIS T. BEECHER

R.....Fort Morgan, Colorado.

B.....Hastings, Nebraska.

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The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT DONALD D. FARQUHAR,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity
as a Platoon Leader of Company A, First Battalion,
Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action
against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu
Islands, 11 May 1945. When his platoon was momen-
tarily surprised by hostile machine-gun fire from
the flanks and rear during an attack against
strongly-fortified enemy positions along a stra-
tegic ridge, Second Lieutenant Farquhar moved
about at the risk of his life in the fire-swept
area in order to urge and direct his men in con-
tinuing the attack. By his inspiring leadership
and coolness under fire, he overcame the temporary
disadvantage and, continuing the assault, destroy-
ed several Japanese pillboxes, a fieldpiece and a
large number of personnel. His outstanding cour-
age and devotion to duty were in keeping with the
highest traditions of the United States Naval Ser-
vice."

For the President,

R--L.A., Cal.,
B--L.A., Cal.

SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 00597

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN FRANCIS T. FARRELL,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as an Intelligence Officer of the Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces during the assault on enemy-held Peleliu, Palau Islands, from 15 September to 6 October 1944. Voluntarily leading numerous small patrols into hostile territory to secure vital information of the enemy and to ascertain their activity, Captain Farrell completed his missions on two occasions at great risk of his life. On one occasion, a Japanese ammunition dump burned and exploded in a cave in which he was searching and, later, hostile fire pinned him down for over forty minutes while on patrol after prisoners. By his skillful leadership and initiative, Captain Farrell secured documents which gave the Regimental Commander vital information concerning enemy strength, dispositions, morale and details of hostile positions which contributed materially to the success of the operation. His aggressiveness and outstanding devotion to duty throughout numerous hazardous missions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

R--New York, N. Y.

B--Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in
presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL JOSEPH G. FARRELL,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Reconnaissance Company, Headquarters Battalion, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 17 February 1945. Despite heavy artillery and automatic weapons fire which caused numerous casualties to those with whom he was working, Corporal Farrell carried out his mission of reconnoitering the landing beaches and installations of the island and obtained valuable information which was of vital importance and was subsequently responsible for the saving of many lives. His cool courage and unselfish devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

H. Lawrence, Mass.
B. " "

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 0678
Signed JUN 9 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

COLONEL WALTER G. FARRELL, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Chief of Staff, ~~Second~~ Marine Aircraft Wing, during operations against enemy Japanese forces at and in the vicinity of Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, from December 26, 1942, to March 24, 1943. In addition to his grave responsibilities in this important post during a period of intensive combat, Colonel Farrell displayed exceptional heroism and initiative, personally leading a particularly hazardous mission to the Russell Islands and conducting a preliminary survey pointing toward the occupation of this strategic position by our forces. His outstanding success in this task and his courageous and inspiring leadership under repeated and severe Japanese aerial attacks prior to the fall of Guadalcanal to our forces, contributed immeasurably to the effectiveness of our operations during an extremely critical period and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Chicago, Illinois
B - San Francisco, Calif.

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The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

SERGEANT FRED FARRIS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Squad Leader of Company I, Third Battalion, Second Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Tarawa Atoll, Gilbert Islands, on 20 November 1943. Bravely leading his squad to the flank of a large enemy pillbox, Sergeant Farris skillfully moved forward under covering fire of his men and succeeded in neutralizing the hostile emplacement with grenades and rifle fire, thereby enabling his company to advance. Mortally wounded during the subsequent engagement with the enemy, Sergeant Farris, by his outstanding courage, daring initiative and indomitable fighting spirit served to inspire all who observed him and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

R. B. ANDERSON

Secretary of the Navy.

R..China Springs, Texas
B..Hillsboro, Texas

SSM & perm. cit presented to n/k Mrs. Pepper on 6 Aug 1953
(BSM & perm cit ret'd cancelled).

FARRIS

Cit. for SS & cong.ltr.
at to: CO, 26th Mar.,
Mar.Div., FMF, Camp
Pendleton, Oceanside, Cal.

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Signed MAY 22 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in
presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT OTT C. FARRIS, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while
serving with ~~the First Marine Parachute Battalion~~ in
action against enemy Japanese forces near Koi-ari,
Bougainville, Solomon Islands, on November 29, 1943.
Acting as second in command of his platoon during the
fierce fighting with a numerically superior enemy,
Sergeant Farris courageously worked his way forward in
the face of continuous hostile machine-gun and sniper
fire and brought out eight seriously wounded comrades
who otherwise might not have received first aid treat-
ment. Later, when his platoon leader became a casualty,
he unhesitatingly assumed command of the unit, displaying
outstanding leadership in directing the activities of his
men. Sergeant Farris's splendid initiative and valiant
devotion to duty, maintained at great personal risk, were
in keeping with the highest traditions of the United
States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R...Mahan, Ala.

B...Clinton, Ind.

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Signed

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL HUGH D. FARWELL,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Leader of a Machine Gun Squad in Company H, Third Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 22 February 1945. With his company suffering heavy losses in the ramble and contact between units seriously disrupted during a furious morning battle against the enemy, Corporal Farwell received orders to relieve a front line unit and, maneuvering his squad to a forward position under the terrific barrage laid down by the Japanese, came upon a second machine-gun squad whose leader had been killed. Immediately reorganizing the remaining men and consolidating them with his own squad, he proceeded alone to a fire-swept sector of a ridge to determine the best possible method of attack. Placing his weapons in strategic firing positions, he directed the deadly fire of his section throughout the remainder of the day, providing the only supporting fire for the entire company front for a minimum of forty-five minutes until other weapons could reach the forward area. By his daring leadership, outstanding fortitude and aggressive determination in the face of tremendous odds, Corporal Farwell contributed materially to the success of his company's mission, and his inspiring devotion to duty throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL
Secretary of the Navy.

R - Spokane, Washington
B - Wenatchee, Washington

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Signed SEP 26 1946

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

SERGEANT VITO P. FAVIA,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Demolitions Sergeant, serving with Company A, First Battalion, Twenty-first Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 10 March 1945. Pinned down on the beach by intense rifle fire from a heavily fortified bunker, Sergeant Favia gallantly advanced toward the enemy position and worked his way to the top of the bunker where he placed a demolition charge. Although wounded by cross-fire from another bunker as he was fixing the charge to the air vent, he persisted in his mission, setting off the charge and destroying the hostile bunker before returning to his men across the fire-swept beach. Later succumbing to his wounds, Sergeant Favia, by his initiative, perseverance and courage had rendered valiant service during a critical period of the action, and his conduct throughout upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Chicago, Illinois,

B - Chicago, Illinois.

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WILLIAM G. FAWCETT, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Member of a Demolitions Squad of Company B, First Engineer Battalion, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 3 October 1944. When his Battalion's progress was halted by heavy enemy machine-gun and small-arms fire, Private First Class Fawcett continued to advance over dangerous terrain, frequently having to hold on with one hand while working with the other to place charges and blast a path around the cliff which impeded our forces. Continuing to work tirelessly for several hours under the enemy fire which inflicted casualties among the members of his team, he completed his mission and resumed his place in the firing line. His cool courage under fire, fortitude and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Brooklyn, N. Y.,
B--Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Serial 48903

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL FREDERICK S. FAY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Demolitions Corporal of Company D, Second Battalion, Twenty-ninth Marines, Sixth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, on 18 May 1945. During an assault on a key terrain feature, Corporal Fay was among the first to proceed up a hill and, as he reached the crest, was seriously wounded in the right leg by an enemy grenade. Remaining in the midst of heavy grenade and small-arms fire despite his wound, he directed fire at the hostile position until he ran out of ammunition. Although wounded a second time, Corporal Fay went back to pick up another weapon and additional ammunition and, returning to his former position, resumed the fire fight during which he was wounded in the chest. Not until he had sustained this third wound did he consent to be taken to the rear for medical attention. By his bold initiative and indomitable fighting spirit, Corporal Fay upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy

R--Valley Lee, Md.
B--New York, N.Y.

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT ERNEST E. FECHTIG,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as an Artillery Forward Observer, attached to Company C, First Battalion, Tenth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 15 June 1944. Landing with his assault company, Second Lieutenant Fechtig directed, with great skill and unselfish concern for his personal safety, withering artillery fire against Japanese troop masses in spite of adverse conditions of darkness and intense hostile small-arms and mortar fire. As the Japanese counterattack continued, elements of our infantry were forced to withdraw, small arms ammunition was almost exhausted and most of the automatic weapons were overrun by tanks. Gradually, enemy troops penetrated the area under cover of intense supporting fire, but Second Lieutenant Fechtig continued to expose himself fearlessly to obtain observation and direct devastating shellfire until reinforcements arrived and broke the counter-attack. His coolness under fire, courageous action and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Ashley, Illinois.,
B--Burnt Prairie, Illinois.

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Serial 58486
Signed DEC 16 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE HERMAN E. FREEZOR,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while
serving as a Rifleman of Company C, First Battalion,
First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against
enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 10
June 1945. Volunteering to lead a tank through intense
sniper fire in the course of a fire fight in which
his company sought to take a strong enemy position,
Private Freezor pointed out targets to the tank, per-
sonally annihilated five of the Japanese and continued
in the attack until he was seriously wounded. By his
initiative, indomitable fighting spirit and untiring
devotion to duty, Private Freezor contributed materially
to the success of the operation and upheld the highest
traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Madisonville, Ky.,
B--Louisville, Ky.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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7-24-51
Cincpac 12537

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the GOLD STAR in lieu of a second SILVER STAR MEDAL to

FIRST LIEUTENANT JOSEPH C. FEGAN, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of M Battery, Fourth Battalion, Fourteenth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, on 15 June 1944. Immediately upon landing, First Lieutenant Fegan boldly exposed himself to heavy and sustained enemy shelling to lead his battery into position and commence firing. By nightfall, with his entire emplacement under intense bombardment by shells and small-arms fire, he gallantly moved from one gun crew to another, encouraging and rallying his men and those in adjacent posts. Later, although wounded while going to the aid of a gun crew stricken by a direct hit, he bravely continued to lead his battery and direct effective fire on the enemy. By his outstanding courage, aggressive leadership and loyal devotion to duty, First Lieutenant Fegan served to inspire all who observed him, thereby reflecting the highest credit on himself and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

DAN A. KIMBALL

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Oceanside, California
B-Los Angeles, California

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Spot Award
Serial 00314
Signed

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in
presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT JAMES D. FELTMAN, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as an Intelligence Scout serving with the Third Marine Division during the landing attack at Cape Torokina, Bougainville, Solomon Islands, on November 1, 1943. Proceeding alone under intense enemy fire to a Japanese position, Sergeant Feltman conducted a daring reconnaissance, gaining valuable knowledge of the hostile emplacements and destroying several enemy soldiers whom he encountered during the hazardous mission. After reporting his information, he organized a combat team of men separated from their units and heroically led them in vigorous attacks, destroying two Japanese bunker positions which had been inflicting heavy casualties upon our assault troops. Sergeant Feltman's initiative, cool courage and valiant devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Mulga, Alabama
B--Berry, Alabama

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Serial 34928
Signed AUG 12 1946

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The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS NORMAN R. FELTON,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Squad Leader of Company H, Third Battalion, Twenty-Sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, during action on enemy Japanese-held Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 15 March 1945. Although he had been wounded by hostile fire, Private First Class Felton refused to be evacuated and, remaining with his squad, prepared to hold his extremely vulnerable position against enemy attack. When a Japanese soldier approached to make overtures of surrender during the night, Private First Class Felton immediately suspected treachery and alerted his squad just as the soldier dropped to the ground and a large group of the enemy charged the position. Engaging in hand-to-hand combat, he killed the officer-in-charge of the attackers and several other Japanese, leading his squad in holding a vital position and in killing fifteen of the enemy. His presence of mind, fearless leadership and great personal courage inspired those with whom he served and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

SSMw/perm cit & CMC ltr presented to the son of the late Pfc. Felton, Master Kenneth W. Felton, with appropriate ceremony on 10 Oct 46 by the OinC, USMC DHRS, Des Moines, Iowa.

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R.-- Winterset, Iowa
B.-- Clear Lake, Iowa.

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CincPac
Serial 0402
Appd SofN 2-1-45
Signed AUG 3 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CHARLES W. FENGER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the First Pioneer Battalion, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 15 September 1944. When a group of the enemy infiltrated and raked the dump area with machine-gun and rifle fire during the initial stages of landing on White Beach, Private First Class Fenger coolly continued his task of unloading urgently needed ammunition just seventy-five yards back of the front lines and in full view of the enemy and, although repeatedly warned to take cover, carried on courageously until mortally wounded. His self-sacrificing spirit and courageous devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Fenger and the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

/s/ Artemus L. Gates

Secretary of the Navy.
Acting

R..Cincinnati, Ohio
B..Cincinnati, Ohio

SSM, perm. cit., ltr fr CMC pres'd by OinC, Cincinnati, O., to the sister of the late PFC Fenger, Miss Lydia C. Fenger, 235 McCormick Ave., Cin., O. on the 9Sept45. Inf Pres..

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Signed NOV 20 1946

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The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL EDWARD A. FENNELLY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Runner in a platoon of Company E, Second Battalion, Fourth Marines, Sixth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa Shima in the Ryukyu Chain, 20 May 1945. When devastating Japanese shellfire inflicted numerous casualties and retarded the advance of his platoon, Corporal Fennelly voluntarily risked his life in a valiant attempt to assist in bringing the helpless Marines to safety. Although two men had been killed while crossing the one hundred yard fire-swept area which provided the only approach to the stricken unit, he fearlessly exposed himself to the enemy's shattering machine-gun and sniper fire throughout four successful trips across the field. Wounded in the head while making the fifth trip back to his own lines, he dauntlessly pressed forward with his burden and, by his selfless efforts and courageous conduct, succeeded in bringing the man to cover before he was fatally struck down by a bursting hostile shell. By his daring initiative, outstanding fortitude and grave concern for the safety of others in the face of almost certain death, Corporal Fennelly contributed to the saving of many lives and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life in the service of his country."

For the President,
R--Medford, Massachusetts.
B--Medford, Massachusetts.
JAMES FORRESTAL
Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 6881

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

GUNNERY SERGEANT MARK P. FENNESSY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Acting First Sergeant of Battery H, Third Battalion, Eleventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 16 September 1944. Although wounded while under heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire that had set one of the ammunition dumps on fire, Gunnery Sergeant Fennessy courageously directed and aided in the evacuation of several wounded men who were being subjected to hostile artillery fire and exploding ammunition, refusing medical treatment for himself until all others had been removed to safety. His initiative and unselfish concern for the lives of others were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

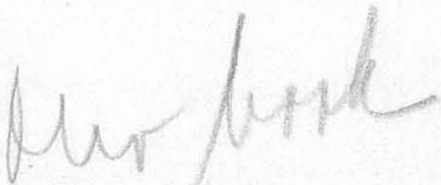
JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Rochester, N. Y.,
B--Rochester, N. Y.

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Signed NOV 14 1946

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE RICHARD L. FENTON,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Rifleman in Company E, Second Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 9 June 1945. When his rifle platoon encountered heavy enemy machine-gun and rifle fire, Private Fenton immediately assumed the duties of his squad leader who had become a casualty and, acting with great courage and coolness, skillfully directed his men across an open field and up a cave-infested ridge in the face of accurate hostile fire. After successfully establishing his squad on the ridge, he was reconnoitering for a covered route of approach for his company when mortally wounded by Japanese fire. His heroic actions despite great opposition contributed greatly toward the subsequent success of his company in this vital area and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

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OF THE 1ST MAR DIVISION, MARINE CORPS, ACTION G. LENTON, BARNWOOD,
B--Stanwood, Iowa. HERE FORWARDED BY MAIL TO THE BUREAU
B--Manchester, Iowa.

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Serial 43157

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS FRED M. FERENTZ,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company D, Second Battalion, Twenty-eighth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 4 March 1945. When a heavy concentration of machine-gun and rifle fire pinned down his platoon, Private First Class Ferentz volunteered to cross the open terrain that was being swept by enemy crossfire in order to guide a group of tanks forward. After finding the armored vehicles, he guided their advance despite heavy hostile mortar fire which they attracted and, again moving out in the open across the fire-swept plain where his platoon was pinned down, observed and directed the tanks' fire on the enemy machine gun positions. Passing through his own lines with the tanks, Private First Class Ferentz led them to the ridge which was his unit's objective and enabled it to move out and take the position. His aggressive initiative, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Milwaukee, Wisc.
B--McDonald, Ohio.

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App. SofN 3-1-45
Serial 1182
Signed NOV 19 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL ALBERT F. FERGUSON,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Third Battalion, Sixth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 8 July 1944. Valiantly opening fire on a group of Japanese whom he observed crawling towards the battalion switchboard where he stood watch during a pre-dawn attack, Corporal Ferguson warned other men in the area of their approach and, as the enemy hurled hand grenades into his position, countered with a continuous stream of highly effective fire which diverted their attention from the switchboard. When his ammunition was almost exhausted, he voluntarily left his post and, moving through a perilously exposed area, returned to his foxhole for additional rounds. Mortally wounded in carrying out his dangerous mission, Corporal Ferguson, by his ceaseless vigilance and daring courage, had succeeded in staving off the enemy until their assault could be turned back, and his heroic devotion to duty throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES H. HARRIS

TO: JAGP 1042
VIRGIL E. JAGP 1042
AND JAGP 1042
R--Granada, Colo
B--Lamar, Colo.

FERGUSON

perm.Cit. sent to:
James P. Ferguson
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(father)

App. SofN 3-4-44

Serial 0055

Signed *MAY 1 1944*

MAY 13 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS BENJAMIN D. FERGUSON, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Third Marine Raider Battalion during action against enemy Japanese forces in the Solomon Islands Area on November 9, 1943. Acting as scout for a replacement platoon which had lacked opportunity to establish its own line before departure of the unit it had relieved, Private First Class Ferguson, upon voluntarily crossing a small stream under heavy fire, discovered the enemy firmly entrenched, with an establishment of several machine-gun nests in a position which gravely endangered his platoon. Rather than quietly withdraw and leave his comrades to their fate, he boldly disclosed his own position by calling to his platoon leader the location of hostile emplacements, thereby drawing immediate fire which resulted in his death. His heroic conduct and spirit of self-sacrifice were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Acting

Secretary of the Navy.

Released June 27, 44

R - Lewiston, Michigan
B - Elba, Michigan

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

LIEUTENANT COLONEL EDWIN C. FERGUSON,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Artillery Adviser of the Twenty-second Marines (Reinforced), First Provisional Marine Brigade, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Engebi Island, Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Islands, on 18 February 1944. Despite painful wounds sustained during his approach to the landing beach, Lieutenant Colonel Ferguson insisted on retaining his command and gallantly led a small group in an attack against approximately thirty of the enemy who had infiltrated the Command Post Area. Constantly exposing himself to close-range sniper fire, he killed four of the enemy during the furious encounter and contributed to the success of the group in annihilating the remainder. His cool fortitude, forceful initiative and unwavering devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Waynesville, N. C.
B - Waynesville, N. C.

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN D. FIGUEROA,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Gunner in a Machine Gun Squad of Company E, Second Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 17 September 1944. When his platoon was ordered to withdraw from its occupied position, Private First Class Figueroa voluntarily remained behind at his gun to cover the withdrawal and, accurately directing his fire, rendered three enemy knee mortars inactive, thereby enabling his platoon to reorganize in comparative safety. His courage, initiative and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Figueroa and the United States Naval Service."

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For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R-E. Lauton, Mass.
B-New Bedford, Mass.

WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

AGPD-B 201 Ferguson, Frank W.
(12 Jun 46) 06 964 USMC

24 June 1946

Subject: Silver Star

To: Commandant
United States Marine Corps
Washington, D. C.

1. Reference is made to your recommendation, dated 23 January 1946, of Brigadier General Samuel L. Howard, Marine Corps, for the award of the Distinguished Service Cross to Captain Frank W. Ferguson, 06 964, (formerly Second Lieutenant), United States Marine Corps, for gallantry in action on 2 and 6 January 1942.
2. The recommendation has received careful consideration by General J. M. Wainwright and the Silver Star was deemed the appropriate award.
3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918, a Silver Star was awarded by General J. M. Wainwright, US Army, to Captain Frank W. Ferguson, U. S. Marine Corps.
4. The Commanding General, Philadelphia Quartermaster Depot, has been directed to have a Silver Star Medal appropriately engraved and to forward it to you for presentation to Captain Ferguson, Headquarters Battalion, Montford Point Camp, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.
5. The official citation pertaining to this award is enclosed for presentation with the decoration.

/s/ EDWARD F. WITSELL

EDWARD F. WITSELL
Major General
The Adjutant General

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WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

CITATION FOR SILVER STAR

Captain Frank William Ferguson, Platoon Leader, Company O, Fourth Tactical Battalion, Fourth Marines, displayed outstanding gallantry at Corregidor, Philippine Islands, on 5-6 January, 1942. Though wounded, he continued to lead his platoon in an attack against Japanese forces and when his company commander was seriously wounded, he assumed command of the company and directed its subsequent actions despite further wounds. His conduct reflects great credit upon himself and the United States Marine Corps.

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CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY:-

F. W. Ferguson
F. W. FERGUSON,
Major, USMC.

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Spot Award 1942.
Serial 18
Signed MAR 18 1943

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL LAWRENCE M. FERGUSON, U.S.M.C.R.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION;

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while a member of the First Marines, First Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on August 18 and 29, 1942. When fires were started in the regimental munitions dump, Corporal Ferguson, unhesitatingly and on his own initiative, risked his life in the midst of exploding shells and burning gasoline to fight and control fires, thus preventing the loss of many lives and much essential material. His courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit upon the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

That portion of the above citation underlined in red should not be given either verbally or in writing to any person without the permission of the officer in charge of the Decorations and Medals Division.

R...Raleigh, North Carolina.

B...Raleigh, North Carolina.

HEADQUARTERS USAFISPA
APO # 502

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16 November 1943.

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SECTION

Awards of the Silver Star I.

I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver star is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to the following-named officers and enlisted men:

PHILLIP C. FERGUSON, Major, United States Marine Corps Reserve, for gallantry in action at New Georgia, Solomon Islands, while directing the successful completion of an important mission which affected the rout of enemy forces on 8 July 1943, he refused to be evacuated when wounded until his mission was completed. Home Address: Woodward, Oklahoma.

By Command of Lieutenant General HARMON:

A. J. BARNETT,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

M. B. KENDRICK,
Major, A. G. D.,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

R ... Woodward, Oklahoma.
B ... Wellington, Kansas.

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Serial-032454
Signed SEP 20 1946

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE WILLIAM L. FEUQUAY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Rifleman in a platoon of Company A, First Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 3 May 1945. Striving to protect his rifle platoon from a directly opposing enemy heavy machine gun which was causing heavy casualties, Private Feuquay, acting without orders, daringly crawled forward of his platoon's front lines and singlehandedly engaged the hostile machine gun with direct rifle fire. For several minutes he continued to fire at a rapid rate into the Japanese emplacement and, by drawing all enemy fire upon himself, enabled the remainder of his platoon to move to a more protected position and reorganize to continue the attack successfully. Fatally wounded as he completed his mission, Private Feuquay, by his courageous devotion to duty in the face of overwhelming odds, upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R. Harrisburg, Illinois,
Br. Eldorado, Illinois.

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This form is used for the purpose of recording the date of the award of the Silver Star Medal.

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Spot Award
Serial. 002624
Signed Jul 3 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT JOHN J. FICKET, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a tank commander serving with the Ninth Defense Battalion during action against enemy Japanese forces on New Georgia, Solomon Islands, July 17, 1943. During an assault by his platoon upon the rear of hostile positions along the beach, Sergeant Ficket, while maneuvering his tank through an area of dense jungle undergrowth, was attacked by Japanese infantry employing flame throwers and magnetic mines. When one of the mines exploded on the top of his own tank, blowing in the base of the turret, Sergeant Ficket was painfully injured by steel splinters driven in his back. With courageous endurance and complete disregard for his own condition, he continued in his action until ordered to withdraw for evacuation to a hospital. His heroic conduct was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Oak Lawn, Illinois.
B - Mineral, Kansas.

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SPOT
Serial 56881
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WILL W. FIELD,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Runner in a Rifle Platoon of the Third Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 2 May 1945. Discovering a well-concealed enemy mortar position while carrying a message to an adjacent unit, Private First Class Field skillfully destroyed the hostile emplacement and the crew, thereby enabling his platoon to advance and seize its objective. His initiative, courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN I. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Edwards, Miss.,
B--Edwards, Miss.

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Serial 00396

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS R. B. FIELDS, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Machine Gunner in an Assault Platoon of Company I, Third Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 15 September 1944. When his platoon reached its initial objective and was attacked by enemy tanks delivering heavy and accurate fire, Private First Class Fields picked up his machine gun with tripod and, firing from his hip at point-blank range, caused a confused Japanese tank driver to stop, allowing our antitank weapons to disable the vehicle. Remaining in position despite machine-gun fire from the tank, he continued firing, killing six enemy soldiers riding on top of the tank and two of the vehicle's crew members who were attempting to escape. His courage and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Fields and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 37664
Signed APR 24 1947

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL LIONEL E. FILMER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Demolitions Sergeant, serving with Company E, Second Battalion, Twenty-ninth Marines, Sixth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Okinawa in the Ryukyu Chain, 12 June 1945. With his company pinned down by shattering machine-gun fire during an advance against a fiercely defending enemy, Corporal Filmer unhesitatingly volunteered to attempt the destruction of a pillbox to the front which was delivering steady shellfire against his position. Fiercely aggressive, he succeeded in reaching the area against the devastating barrage and, remaining steadfast in his exposed position, destroyed the weapon and its crew with his well-placed demolitions. Continuing his daring tactics when another weapon opened up and retarded his company's advance, he again voluntarily risked his life to wipe out the emplacement and, by his exceptional skill and dauntless perseverance, accounted for the second gun and enabled his company to resume its advance. By his courageous initiative, outstanding fortitude and great personal valor in the face of grave danger, Corporal Filmer contributed to the saving of many men and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy

R-- Lanesboro, Iowa
B-- Manson, Iowa.

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DGP-298-cag

Cincpac
Appd SofN 1-17-46
Serial 52126
Signed MAR 28 1947

The President of the United States takes pride
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS PETER W. FINAMORE
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION;

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as an Automatic Rifleman, serving with Company G, Third Battalion, Twenty-Ninth Marines, Sixth Marine Division, during operations against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 16 April 1945. Seeing that his company was being held up by savage enemy fire from caves on the slope of a ridge, Private First Class Finamore unhesitatingly pushed forward in the face of the withering barrage to deliver extremely effective fire on the enemy, neutralizing three cave positions and killing at least ten Japanese soldiers. Despite wounds sustained during this action, he nevertheless continued to push forward and, when he could no longer stand, resolutely fired his rifle from a sitting position until he finally collapsed. His valiant action enabled the entire line to resume its advance and seize its objective, and his indomitable fighting spirit and steadfast devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Finamore and the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R-- Philadelphia, Penn.
B-- Philadelphia, Penn.

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DGP-298-pmb

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SPOT
SERIAL 79496

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT HERBERT FINCEL, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Pilot of an Observation Plane in Marine Observation Squadron THREE in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 30 April 1945. When, while searching for large enemy artillery pieces impeding the advance of our troops, his plane received heavy calibre hostile antiaircraft fire which destroyed the tail controls, Second Lieutenant Finchel took his crippled aircraft down through the intense barrage to minimum altitude and directed Allied artillery fire which destroyed the antiaircraft piece. Continuing his search despite constant antiaircraft and machine-gun fire, he found his assigned objective and directed artillery fire on the Japanese positions until lack of fuel forced his withdrawal. By his skillful airmanship and determination, Second Lieutenant Finchel contributed materially to the advance of our troops, and his courageous devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

R--Frankfort, Ky.,
B--Frankfort, Ky.

Secretary of the Navy.

028382
DGP-298-eln

Cincpac 37662
App. SofN 11-8-
Special
Signed Jan 11

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

FIRST LIEUTENANT REGINALD FINCKE, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of a Rifle Company in the Third Battalion, Twenty-Second Marines, Sixth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Okinawa Shima, Ryukyu Islands, on 15 May 1945. Assigned the mission of reinforcing and holding perilous front line position on strategic Sugar Loaf Hill, First Lieutenant Fincke promptly appraised the situation and then gallantly led his men forward through enemy infested, unfamiliar terrain to the base of the hill. When an overwhelming force of Japanese troops launched a vicious counterattack immediately thereafter, he skillfully deployed his men for maximum strength in a valiant attempt to repel the vicious onslaught and, bravely facing a shattering barrage of machine-gun, rifle and mortar fire laid down by the enemy, directed his men in a bitterly fought battle to hold the vital terrain until he was fatally struck down by a bursting hostile shell. Inspired by his brilliant leadership, indomitable fighting spirit and courage, First Lieutenant Fincke's intrepid company continued to hold its position despite the severe casualties sustained during the fierce action, finally driving forward and seizing one of the most important strong points on this heavily fortified island. His thorough knowledge of combat tactics, untiring zeal and valiant devotion to duty maintained in the face of tremendous odds, were contributing factors in the outstanding success achieved by his company and reflect the highest credit upon himself, his command and the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

R..Long Island, New York.
B..New York, New York.

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL
Secretary of the Navy.

SSM, perm. cit. and ltr. fr. CMC was presented to the widow of the late Lt. Fincke, Mrs. Reginald Fincke with appropriate ceremony by Lt. Cowley, USMC., MB, U.S. Naval Shipyard, Brooklyn, New York.

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DGP-298-egc

CincPac
Serial 1129
Appd SofN 2-22-45
Signed SEP 19 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting
the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PLATOON SERGEANT AURELLIO M. FINCO,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Platoon Sergeant serving with the First Battalion, Eighth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan Island, Marianas Islands, 17 June 1944. Courageous and aggressive in the face of terrific fire from Japanese guns, Platoon Sergeant Finco rendered valuable service during initial operations on this strategically important enemy stronghold. While his platoon was receiving intense hostile artillery fire, he succeeded in completing three trips across an exposed area of the platoon sector to carry wounded Marines to a place of comparative safety. Although wounded on the fourth trip, Platoon Sergeant Finco had contributed materially to the ultimate success of this vital campaign pointing toward future victories over the Japanese. His self-sacrificing spirit and heroic action were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORREST

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Roundup, Montana
B-- " "

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DGP-298-dmr

Appd SofN 11-4-48
FMFPac
Serial 44965

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT WILLIAM E. FINLEY, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Platoon Guide of Company I, Third Battalion, Twenty-fourth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 23 February 1945. When his platoon leader and all the squad leaders were lost, Sergeant Finley, although painfully wounded by shrapnel in the left leg and thigh, refused to be evacuated and remained on duty to assist his acting platoon leader. In addition to aiding in directing a successful attack on an enemy strong point, he rendered invaluable assistance in forming the defensive positions to hold the ground that had been taken. Courageously remaining on the line throughout the night, he consented to evacuation only after his injuries made it impossible for him to continue. His resolute courage and aggressive fighting spirit reflect the highest credit on Sergeant Finley and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Fairhaven, Mass.
B--Bridgeport, Connecticut.

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DGP 298 Navy tgw

Signed.....
FMFPac SpotSerial 86490

The President of the United States takes pleasure in
presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN FRANK K. FINNERAN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as
Executive Officer of the First Battalion, Ninth Marines,
Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese
forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 25 February 1945.
Advancing from the Battalion Command Post to determine
the exact location of the front lines, Captain Finneran
traversed an airfield which was under direct enemy ob-
servation, mortar and small-arms fire. On arriving at
the front lines at nightfall, he found two companies in
a generally disorganized condition due to heavy enemy
fire and, moving among the forward elements, skillfully
consolidated the positions and tied in the lines. In
addition, he assisted in consolidating the positions of
a company of an adjacent battalion which had lost most
of its key personnel. His professional ability, courage
and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest
traditions of the United States Naval Service."

R-Harrison, N.J.
B-Oklahoma City, Okla.

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy

017872
DGP-298-bz

Spot Award
Serial 0718 *ComSecAtt*
Signed SEP 30 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in
presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

FIRST LIEUTENANT ROBERT B. FIRM, USMCR.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while attached to the First Marine Division in action against enemy Japanese forces at Cape Gloucester, New Britain, January 22, 1944. Starting out on a dangerous scouting mission, First Lieutenant Firm waded across a river and ran along a beach under fire of both light and heavy enemy machine guns in order to gain information concerning hostile installations. Daringly working his way among a group of Japanese weapons, he made valuable observations of the enemy positions and killed at close quarters a three-man crew of one of the hostile machine guns. Returning to friendly lines with his vitally important information, he skillfully directed mortar and artillery fire on the enemy emplacements, enabling our forces to wipe out the Japanese on Natamo Point. First Lieutenant Firm's aggressive fighting spirit and unswerving devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Grove City, Pennsylvania.
B - Grove City, Pennsylvania.

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DGP-298-rtt

ComGenlstFMP Ser 46924
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN CHARLES H. FISCHER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Executive Officer of the Fifth Engineer Battalion, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 25 March 1945. Having supervised the placing and detonation of a twenty-five hundred pound explosive charge which breached the roof of a heavy enemy fortification, Captain Fischer was engaged in examination of the structure when one of his men, who had entered through the opening in the top to inspect the interior for passages leading from the main chamber, was wounded and pinned down by enemy fire from within. Headless of the danger involved, Captain Fischer led a two-man rescue party down into the fortification and, after assisting in the rescue of the wounded man, personally covered the withdrawal of the rescue party. His courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

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For the President,

R- Lexington, Mass.
B- Cambridge, Mass.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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DGP-298-mvm

FMFPac
SPOT
Serial 85999
Signed_____

The President of the United States takes
pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL WALTER F. FISCHER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Rifle Squad Leader of Company L, Third Battalion, Fourth Marines, Sixth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces during the assault on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 19 May 1945. Under an intense hostile mortar and artillery barrage, Corporal Fischer efficiently moved his squad to the crest of a hill and effected the relief of another unit. Although wounded during this movement, he refused evacuation in order to remain with his men and direct their activities and, despite heavy casualties and continuing enemy artillery fire, moved about throughout the night to distribute grenades and direct the evacuation of the wounded. On three occasions, Corporal Fischer daringly exposed himself to hostile fire in order to report enemy mortar and artillery positions to his Platoon Leader and, when wounded a second time, again refused evacuation and returned to his squad where he remained until ordered to the rear the following morning. His outstanding courage, indomitable fighting spirit and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Callinsville, Ill.
B--Callinsville, Ill.

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DGP-298-Navy-RDA

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SPOT
Serial 6068
Signed _____

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The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT WILFORD A. FISCHER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as
a Naval Gunfire Spotter, attached to the Second Joint
Assault Signal Company, Second Marine Division, in
action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Mar-
ianas Islands, 16 June 1944. Braving enemy fire
during a hostile counterattack, Second Lieutenant
Fischer advanced through our lines into Japanese
territory to observe an enemy artillery battery which
had been firing into our lines inflicting casualties
and damaging our supporting artillery. Determining
the location of the hostile artillery, he directed
two destroyers to a position from which to shell
the objective, thereby contributing directly to the
silencing of the enemy battery. His courage and
devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon
Second Lieutenant Fischer and the United States Naval
Service."

For the President,

R--Sacramento, Calif.,
B--Salt Lake City, Utah.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

127507
AW-298-eb5

Spot Award, 1942
Serial 18
Signed MAR 18 1943

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

STAFF SERGEANT WILLIAM E. FISCHER, U.S.M.C.R.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while a member of the First Marines, First Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal on August 18 and 29, and September 2, 1942. When fires were started in regimental munition dumps and in aviation gasoline dumps, Staff Sergeant Fischer, unhesitatingly and on his own initiative, risked his life in the midst of exploding shells and burning gasoline drums to fight and control fires, thus preventing the loss of many lives and much essential material. His courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit upon the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

That portion of the above citation underlined in red should not be given either verbally or in writing to any person without the permission of the officer in charge of the Decorations and Medals Division.

R...Jersey City, New Jersey.

B...Jersey City, New Jersey.

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Cincpac
SPOT
Serial 12148
Signed NOV 14 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT WAYNE R. FISH,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Tank Commander of Company B, Fourth Tank Battalion, Fourth Marine Division, in operations against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, from 15 June to 9 July 1944. Driving his tank selected by the Platoon Leader as the command tank, Sergeant Fish advanced into enemy territory under heavy fire to attack three dual-purpose gun positions. By skillfully maneuvering his tank, he enabled his gunner to aim accurately, thereby destroying two positions and crippling the third. Abandoning the tank after one hit had immobilized it and another had set fire to the turret, he helped cover his crew with his pistol and assisted his Platoon Leader in conducting the crew back to our lines about five hundred yards away. His courage, devotion to duty and relentless fighting spirit upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Agden, Utah
B--Wilbur, Washington.

531753
DGP-298-ebg

ComGenFMFPac Ser. 00435
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WILLIAM P. FISHBACK,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company B, First Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces at Peleliu, Palau Islands, 20 September 1944. When his company came under concentrated cross-fire from hostile machine guns concealed in caves on both flanks during an assault against the high coral slopes of a hill, Private First Class Fishback boldly charged up the slope and, although the left bunker was protected by interlocking bands of fire, courageously hurled hand grenades into the cave entrance. Seriously wounded in the course of this action, he continued forward until he succeeded in destroying the crew and in silencing the enemy gun. By his fortitude, aggressive fighting spirit and devotion to duty in the face of great danger, Private First Class Fishback upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Canton, Mo.
B-Canton, Mo.

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DGP-298-egc

ComSevFlt
Spot Award
Serial 0984
Signed NOV 15 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in
presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HERVEY T. FISHER, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while
serving with the First Marine Division in action against
enemy Japanese forces on Cape Gloucester, New Britain, on
January 10, 1944. Courageous and loyal in his determination
to rescue a Wounded Marine, Private First Class Fisher
advanced under enemy fire so intense that he was forced to
dig with his bare hands behind a log as he worked his way
forward with a companion. During this action, the two men
silenced and captured a Japanese machine gun which had
been causing heavy casualties to his unit and finally suc-
ceeded in rescuing the injured Marine. By his personal
valor, his cool disregard for his own safety and his gallant
fighting spirit, Private First Class Fisher contributed
greatly to the success of the attack. His fearless conduct
was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United
States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Wilmington, N.C.
B--Kinston, N.C.

953139
DGP-298-sps

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN A. FISHER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Rifleman of Company E, Second Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 5 May 1945. During the evacuation of casualties under heavy enemy fire, Private First Class Fisher covered the body of a wounded Marine with his own when a phosphorus shell exploded nearby. Despite the extreme pain of numerous burns, he remained with the wounded man while phosphorus shells continued to burst nearby and protected him until he was evacuated. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

B..Glenn Campbell, Pa.
R..Pittsburgh, Pa.

432135
DGP 298 Navy tgw

Signed
FMFPac Spot Serial 44532

The President of the United States takes pleasure in
presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PLATOON SERGEANT JOSEPH R. FISHER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while
serving as a Platoon Leader of Company C, First Battalion,
Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action
against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano
Islands, 21 February 1945. Demonstrating foresight,
tactical skill and determination in leading his platoon,
Platoon Sergeant Fisher contributed materially to his
company's successful action against the enemy. Although
sustaining painful machine-gun bullet wounds in his
right shoulder and chest during an intense enemy
artillery and machine-gun barrage, he refused evacuation
in order to lead his platoon in its assigned mission
and, constantly braving the hostile fire, reconnoitered
ground and placed his men in strategic positions before
collapsing. His inspiring leadership and devotion to
duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the
United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Westwood, Mass.
B..Westwood, Mass.

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DGP-298-nvw

Spot Award
Serial 0055
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ORVAL L. FISHER, USMC.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Third Marine Raider Battalion during action against enemy Japanese forces in the Solomon Islands Area on November 9, 1943. While his platoon was engaged in the defense of a vital road block on Bougainville Island, Private First Class Fisher was delivering effective fire against the main vanguard of the enemy who, in fanatical determination to annihilate the Marine unit, kept up a merciless barrage of fire from machine guns and mortar grenades. Observing that a comrade had been wounded, he unhesitatingly left his place of safety and, at great personal risk in the face of grave danger, worked his way through a hazardous area only partly concealed by underbrush. While evacuating the injured man from his exposed position on the firing line, Private First Class Fisher sustained a painful head wound. His courageous initiative and calm spirit of self-sacrifice were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

/s/ JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Nebo, Missouri
B - Murdock, Kansas

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DGP-298-sps

ApprovedSofN 12-28-48
FMFPac Serial 8631

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN THELL H. FISHER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Company F, Second Battalion, Sixth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, on 15 and 16 June 1944. After leading his assault company from the beach, Captain Fisher reached his objective and, in the face of intense enemy fire, organized and coordinated the tank and infantry defense of his company and supporting weapons to repel heavy enemy counterattacks throughout the night and to inflict severe casualties among the hostile forces. Sending his tanks against the enemy at the height of the greatest attack on the morning of 16 June, he was instrumental in routing the Japanese. His aggressive fighting spirit and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Sapulpa, Okla.
B - Jenks, Okla.

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DGP 298 navy flw

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SPOT
Serial 86000
Signed-----

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL NORMAN O. FISKE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Runner of Company B, First Battalion, Twenty-ninth Marines, Sixth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Motobu Peninsula, Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 12 April 1945. When his company was pinned down on top of a barren ridge by intense automatic weapons fire, Corporal Fiske voluntarily made his way to a point of vantage from which he could observe the enemy. Locating an enemy 25-mm. cannon, he immediately reported to his Battalion Commander and volunteered to guide the artillery forward observation team to an observation post from which fire data could be obtained. Making numerous trips over fire-swept terrain between the forward observer and radio operator to relay the direction and adjustment of artillery fire, he aided materially in the destruction of the enemy weapon. His courage, initiative and devotion to duty throughout reflect the highest credit upon Corporal Fiske and the United States Naval Service."

R-Minneapolis, Minn
B-Minneapolis, Minn

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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DGP-298-pam

App. SoIN 3-27-44
Serial 00432
Signed JUN 16 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

MAJOR GLENN E. FISSEL, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Executive Officer of the Second Battalion, Twenty-First Marines, Third Marine Division, during combat against enemy Japanese forces in the Battle of the Coconut Grove, Bougainville Island, British Solomon Islands, on November 13, 1943. After proceeding to the front lines and directing a company of his battalion into position for an attack, Major Fissel received word that one of his men lay seriously wounded in an exposed position near hostile gun emplacements. Although fully aware of the danger, he ordered his runner to take cover and advanced alone under withering blasts of enemy machine-gun and rifle fire in an attempt to rescue the helpless man. Wounded by hostile sniper fire and unable to continue his rescue efforts, Major Fissel was again under attack and killed by Japanese fire while an evacuation party was attempting to remove him. His inspiring leadership and courageous disregard for his own personal safety were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service." He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Columbus, Ohio.
B - Columbus, Ohio.

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DGP-298-mvm

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CincPac
SPOT
Serial 0647
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL KARSTEN I. FJELSTAD,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Second Amphibian Tractor Battalion, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, on 20 November 1943. With his amphibian tractor immobilized in the shallow water offshore by the enemy's shattering barrages during landing operations on D-Day, Corporal Fjelstad fearlessly risked his life to aid the operator who was gravely wounded when the shell struck and, immediately transferring the helpless Marine from the cab to the cargo compartment, skillfully and expeditiously administered first aid. Unable to remove his companion under the constant shellfire sweeping the area, he swam to other stricken tractors in the vicinity to obtain additional medical essentials and, upon returning to his own vehicle, continued to care for the wounded man for a thirty-two hour period before he could be moved to a first aid station on the beach. By his daring initiative, dauntless perseverance and grave concern for the safety of another despite the tremendous odds, Corporal Fjelstad was instrumental in saving the life of a man who otherwise might have perished, and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Norfolk, Nebraska.
B--Canton, South Dakota.

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DGP-298-eln

ComSevFlt
Spot Award
Serial 0852
Signed OCT 23 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in
presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

FIRST LIEUTENANT KEIGLER E. FLAKE, USMCR.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while attached to the First Marine Division during action against enemy Japanese forces on Cape Gloucester, New Britain, January 8-4, 1944. While in command of a self-propelled 75-mm. gun section, in support of the Third Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Lieutenant Flake fearlessly advanced with his weapon through deep jungle terrain to within 80 yards of a strongly defended hostile position and, skillfully firing at point-blank range, assisted in the destruction of the heavily fortified emplacement despite a constant, intense barrage of enemy machine-gun, rifle and mortar fire. First Lieutenant Flake's brilliant initiative, vallant fighting spirit and unwavering devotion to duty in the face of grave peril contributed to the success of our forces in that area, and his heroic action was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy

R - Winnsboro, S.C.
B - West Columbia, S.C.

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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL WHO SHALL SEE THESE PRESENTES, GREETINGS:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AUTHORIZED BY ACT OF CONGRESS, JULY 9, 1918, HAS

AWARDED

A SILVER STAR MEDAL

TO L.

MAJOR (THEN CAPTAIN) WILLIAM F. FLAKE,

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

FOR

GALLANTRY IN ACTION

WANGUNU, SOLOMON ISLANDS, 1 JULY 1943

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON

THIS 24th DAY OF MARCH 1948

RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
/S EDWARD WHITSELL

/S KENNETH ROYALL
SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

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17 December 1943

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NO 502)

Awards of the Silver Star

.. Section III.

III. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), A Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to the following-named officers and enlisted men:

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WILLIAM L. FLAKE, Captain, United States Marine Corps, for gallantry in action at Tangunu, Solomon Islands, wherein he personally located three hostile machine-gun emplacements and aggressively led his men forward under fire to destroy them at the cost of a serious wound to himself on 1 July 1943. Home Address: Washington, D. C.

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By Command of Lieutenant General HARMON:

A. J. BARNETT,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

M. B. KENDRICK,
Major, A. G. D.,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN J. FLANAGAN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Cannoneer of the Third Battalion, Tenth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 7 July 1944. While enemy troops were attacking the battery position at a range of less than a hundred yards, Private First Class Flanagan assisted in laying his section's artillery piece for deflection and, in the face of hostile machine-gun and rifle fire, remained at his post until the battery position was overrun by superior enemy forces. This determined opposition resulted in the infliction of severe casualties on the attacking Japanese and greatly aided in repulsing the attack in the battalion area. His courage, gallant spirit of service and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Flanagan and the United States Naval Service."

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For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R-- Lafayette, Ind.
B-- Lafayette, Ind.

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Appd SofN 1-10-46
Serial 52020
Signed FEB 27 1947

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WILLIAM P. FLEMEN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Gunner in a platoon of Company C, First Battalion, Twenty-ninth Marines, Sixth Marine Division, during action against Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 15 May 1945. When his squad leader was wounded by a burst of fire from an enemy machine gun which had pinned down the assault platoons, Private First Class Flemen quickly manned his leader's gun and, despite intense and accurate automatic fire, laid down a devastating barrage in support of the assault units, maintaining steady fire against the enemy until he, himself, was fatally wounded by a Japanese mortar shell. By his courageous initiative and prompt action, Private First Class Flemen had neutralized hostile positions and had enabled his company to secure its objective with a minimum of casualties. His valiant devotion to duty and indomitable fighting spirit were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Brooklyn, New York.
B--Brooklyn, New York.

HEADQUARTERS USAFISPA
APO #502

16 November 1943.

GENERAL ORDERS)
: NO.402)

AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to the following-named officers and enlisted men:

PATRICK D. FLEMING, (423545), Private First Class, United States Marine Corps Reserve, for gallantry in action at New Georgia, Solomon Islands, in killing an enemy machine-gunner, and assisting in the safe evacuation of two wounded comrades from a position well within the enemy's lines on 10 July 1943. Home Address: Milltown, Montana.

By Command of Lieutenant General HARMON:

A. J. BARNETT,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

M. B. KENDRICK,
Major, A. G. D.,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

R- Milltown, Montana

B- Helmville, Montana.

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Serial 887
Appd SofN 2-22-45
Signed *9-19-45*

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting
the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

SECOND LIEUTENANT WILLIAM R. FLEMING,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while attached to the Third Battalion, Sixth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 24 June 1944. Courageous and aggressive in the face of terrific fire from Japanese guns, Second Lieutenant Fleming rendered valuable service during operations on this strategically important enemy stronghold. When the leader and many of the men became casualties, he voluntarily assumed command of a rifle platoon during its assault on a Japanese emplacement and, despite intense hostile mortar and small arms fire, personally inspected the front lines, observed enemy positions and reconnoitered the area in front of his platoon. Expertly maneuvering his troops into positions affording the best fire lanes upon the hostile emplacement, he constantly exposed himself in order to direct the fire of his weapons and, by his determined initiative, enabled his badly depleted platoon to neutralize the emplacement which contained a vastly superior number of troops. His gallant leadership was directly instrumental in effecting the advance of his company and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Newcastle, Pa.
B-- " "

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DGP-298-rf

Spot Award
Serial 829
Signed AUG 27 1943

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE HOWARD L. FLESHMAN, U. S. MARINE CORPS,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the First Marines, First Marine Division, during an engagement with enemy Japanese forces in the Solomon Islands Area on October 5, 1942. Although two of his comrades had already been killed while attempting to hold a particularly dangerous position, Private Fleshman, despite intense enemy fire, volunteered to take over, and with dauntless courage skillfully covered the successful withdrawal of his squad, killing or wounding twelve to fifteen Japanese. His indomitable fighting spirit and heroic devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Prince, West Virginia.

B - Wet Branch, West Virginia, 7-17-1923.

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Serial 58485
Signed DEC 10 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EDWIN B. FLETCHER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company I, Third Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 23 May 1945. When hostile artillery fire ignited white phosphorus shells in a mortar ammunition dump and caused the detonation of high explosive projectiles, Private First Class Fletcher worked unhesitatingly with another Marine to remove ammunition from the area and thus alleviate the danger to personnel in the vicinity. Although suffering severe burns on his hands, he continued to clear the shells from the fire until all danger to his comrades had ceased. His outstanding courage and grave concern for the safety of others were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Newcomerstown, Ohio.
B..Newcomerstown, Ohio.

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DGP-298-ec

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Serial 46924

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE VIRGIL C. FLETCHER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company A, Fifth Tank Battalion, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 24 February 1945. Undertaking to guide a company of tanks into action against the enemy, Private Fletcher courageously exposed himself to hostile fire and, when the first tank was destroyed by a mine, immediately led out a second tank and guided it through the mines to the head of the column. Then after assisting in the evacuation of the crew members of the disabled vehicle, he returned once again through heavy enemy mortar fire to remove maps and codes which the crew had left behind. By his resolute courage and steadfast devotion to duty, Private Fletcher upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Detroit, Mich.

B--Detroit, Mich.

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SPOT
Serial 0647
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL JAMES D. FLOWERS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company B, First Battalion, Second Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, on 21 November 1943. When most of the runners attached to his company became casualties during fierce hostilities with a fanatic enemy, Corporal Flowers unhesitatingly volunteered to carry essential messages from the Company Command Post to adjacent units, front line areas and to the Battalion Command Post despite the enemy's persistent, intense shellfire. With radio and telephone lines inoperative between the Battalion and Company Command Posts, he repeatedly crossed the open, fire-swept airfield to deliver important communications to the Battalion Commander, thereby contributing to the success of the operation and to the eventual capture of this vital, hostile stronghold by our forces. His daring initiative, dauntless perseverance and cool courage in the face of grave danger served as an inspiration to others in the area and reflect the highest credit upon Corporal Flowers and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Birmingham, Ala.,
B--Birmingham, Ala.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting a SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE LEWIS R. FLOYD, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as an Automatic Rifleman of Company K, Third Battalion, Twenty-third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces during the assault on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 11 March 1945. On watch during the night when approximately twenty hostile infantrymen attacked the platoon headquarters from the rear, Private Floyd unhesitatingly arose from his covered position, opened fire on the enemy and, during the grenade fight which followed, advanced steadily toward them while firing continuously, killing many of the Japanese as he worked his way toward his wounded Platoon Leader's position which had been overrun by the enemy. Encountering two more of the enemy, he quickly annihilated them and then removed the wounded Platoon Guide to safety. His outstanding courage, initiative and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R- Jackson, Miss.
B- Magie, Miss.
23 Sept. 1919

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L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL JOHN J. FLYNN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company E, Second Battalion, Twenty-third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Saipan, Marianas Islands, on 15 June 1944. Separated from his platoon leader a short distance inland following landing operations on D-Day, Corporal Flynn promptly organized a rifle squad and two machine gun squads in his immediate vicinity despite the enemy's shattering artillery and small-arms fire and, gallantly leading them forward in a brilliantly executed attack, succeeded in neutralizing a heavily fortified hostile strong point. Repeatedly exposing himself to the fierce barrage, he continued directing the effective fire of his unit until wounded by a bursting enemy shell and forced to evacuate the area. By his daring initiative, indomitable fighting spirit and fearless leadership in the face of grave peril, Corporal Flynn contributed materially to the success of the operation and his zealous devotion to duty throughout the bitter hostilities was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Bay Shore, N. Y.,
B--Woodside, N. Y.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

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DGP-298-gjd

Spot Award.
Serial 28.
Signed JUL 21 1943

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT LAWRENCE H. FLYNN, U. S. MARINE CORPS RESERVE.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity during action against enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on the night of September 13-14, 1942. On the ridge 1,000 yards south of Henderson Field, Sergeant Flynn, repeatedly crossing areas exposed to hostile fire, placed units in their proper sectors of the line, organized ammunition carrying parties, delivered messages and engaged in vigorous hand-to-hand combat with Japanese troops. During a momentary lull in the battle, he, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, started to search for and administer to the wounded who were lying in the exposed areas. His heroic conduct was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Brockton, Massachusetts.

B - Brockton, Massachusetts.

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GENERAL ORDERS

NO 513

AWARD (POSTHUMOUS) OF THE GOLD STAR
(IN LIEU OF A SECOND SILVER STAR):

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Gold Star, in lieu of a second Silver Star, is posthumously awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to

SERGEANT LAWRENCE H. FLYNN, USMCR.,

"For gallantry in action at Enogai, New Georgia, Solomon Islands, on 9 July 1943. While rescuing a wounded comrade who was lying helpless in the path of enemy fire, Sergeant Flynn was wounded himself. Nevertheless, he unhesitatingly assumed command when his platoon leader became a casualty and directed a brilliant attack despite his painful injuries. He was evacuated that night and died of the wounds he had ignored in a courageous, devoted pursuance of his duties."

By Command of Lieutenant General Harmon:

A. J. BARNETT,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

M. B. KENDRICK,
Major, A.G.D.,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

Official Copy.

R ... Brockton, Massachusetts.
B ... Brockton, Massachusetts.

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

FIRST LIEUTENANT FRENCH R. FOGLE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Company E, Second Battalion, Third Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, 9 August 1944. When five enemy tanks penetrated his sector during darkness and inflicted numerous casualties, First Lieutenant Fogle received orders to move his company from the area under attack by a large enemy force supported by the tanks. Walking to within twenty feet of the hostile vehicles, he succeeded in organizing his men for a movement to a more tenable area and, by his cool courage and inspiring leadership, enabled the entire company to make an orderly displacement to a wooded hill four hundred yards distant. His devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

R--St. Marys, W. Va.

B--Marietta, Ohio

06538
DGP-298-rf

Spot Award
Serial 779
Signed AUG 17 1943

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

MAJOR ERNEST P. FOLEY, U.S. MARINE CORPS RESERVE,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while attached to the ~~Second Battalion, Eleventh Marines~~, First Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, October 23, 1942. During the night, when hostile shells destroyed our communication with the batteries and broke off artillery supporting fire, Major Foley quit his position at the Fire Direction Center and, working his way through hazardously exposed areas, arrived at a battery command post. Here, with cool courage and complete disregard for his own personal safety, he directed artillery fire until communication could be reestablished. His heroic devotion to duty, maintained at great risk in the face of grave danger, was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Charles River, Massachusetts

B - Hamilton, Massachusetts

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FMF Pac
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Serial 00437
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL FRANCIS R. FOLEY, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Patrol Leader of Company E, Second Battalion, Nineteenth Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, on 26 July 1944. Ordered to organize a patrol to locate and drive the Japanese from the surrounding ridges, Corporal Foley led his men against the hostile positions in the face of heavy enemy fire and, although sustaining a wound during this action, continued to direct his patrol in attacking and destroying a Japanese position which had been harassing his company. Shortly thereafter, he again led a patrol in a search for wounded Marines and, encountering enemy machine-gun fire, quickly attacked and wiped out a five-man machine gun nest without casualties to his men. By his skill, leadership and devotion to duty, Corporal Foley upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Fort Tilden, N.Y.
E--New York, N.Y.

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ComGenFMFPac Ser. 51256
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL JOHN W. FOLEY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Group Leader of Company G, Second Battalion, Ninth Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 26 February 1945. During an attack against heavily-fortified enemy positions, Corporal Foley fearlessly worked his way forward to a dual purpose hostile gun position while under heavy enemy mortar, machine-gun and hand-grenade fire and placed an explosive within the emplacement. When the Japanese removed this charge and also a second one before it exploded, he again braved the hostile fire to place a third charge which exploded and killed seven enemy personnel, thereby enabling his squad to come forward and destroy the weapon with incendiary grenades. His courage and aggressive fighting spirit were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Corpus Christi, Tex.
B-Taft, Tex.

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DGP-298-nvw

App. SofN 3-24-44
Serial 917
Signed JUN 23 1944

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

SERGEANT CLIFTON E. POMBY, U. S. MARINE CORPS,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the First Battalion, Sixth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, November 22, 1943. When his company lost contact with supporting assault tanks, Sergeant Pomby courageously charged forward across an airstrip exposed to heavy enemy shellfire in order to regain contact. Discovering a strong hostile concrete emplacement threatening the advance of our forces, he successfully brought the support of the tanks against the enemy position assuring its complete destruction. By his heroic self-sacrifice in the face of grave peril, Sergeant Pomby contributed immeasurably to the saving of many lives before he was killed by enemy shellfire during his perilous advance. His gallant conduct and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Bernice, Louisiana
B - Shiloh, "

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DGP-298-ebg

ComGenFMFPac Ser. 00435-45
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT WINSTON F. FONTAINE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Squad Leader of a Rifle Platoon of Company C, First Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces at Peleliu, Palau Islands, 17 September 1944. When his squad was suddenly hit by fire from a hostile grenade launcher as it moved into position to defend a ridge for the night, Sergeant Fontaine skillfully deployed his squad and sought out the positions of the enemy. Wounded and evacuated to an aid station during the attack, he slipped away and returned at dark to his squad position. He then boldly lead his men against the enemy throughout the night. By his courage, daring initiative and unselfish devotion to duty despite painful wounds, Sergeant Fontaine upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Montgomery, Ala.
B..Selma, Ala.

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DGP-298-ebg

FMFPac Spot Ser. 00421
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN GEORGE W. FOOTE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while attached to the Third Amphibian Tractor Battalion, Fleet Marine Force, in action against enemy Japanese forces during the assault on enemy-held Guam, Marianas Islands, 21 and 22 July 1944. Although trained specifically for amphibian tractor work, Captain Foote volunteered to reconnoiter a route of approach for tractors assigned to carry troops from Guam in an over-water invasion of Cabras Island. Landing in an early wave with the infantry under heavy hostile fire, he crossed a rice paddy to the foremost lines of our assault forces and actively joined in a fire fight to clear the areas of enemy resistance. When the troops he had joined became pinned down by machine-gun fire, Captain Foote remained with them throughout the night and, going forth in advance of our front lines to find a mine-free water approach to the Cabras Island objective, proceeded into a contested area and mapped a route across the causeway through a mine field. By his determination and professional skill in picking a way through these mines, he was largely responsible for the success and economy of the subsequent attack and his conduct throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Alexandria, La.
B-Alexandria, La.

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Signed-----

The President of the United States takes pleasure in
presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

FIRST LIEUTENANT RICHARD F. FOOTE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as an Artillery Forward Observer of Battery F, Second Battalion, Eleventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 19 April 1945. Noticing that one of the members of his team was missing when our troops were forced to withdraw to a new defense position for the night, First Lieutenant Foote courageously set out alone in the twilight to search for the missing Marine, and finding the man wounded and unable to walk in an area infested with hostile troops, dug a foxhole for the wounded man. Remaining with his comrade in the face of both enemy and friendly fire until after dark, he then assisted the casualty to the safety of our lines. By his initiative and devotion to duty, First Lieutenant Foote upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

R-Kent, Ohio
B-Akron, Ohio.

Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 45501
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT WILLIAM C. FOOTE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Platoon Leader of Company D, Second Battalion, Twenty-seventh Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 9 March 1945. When the advance of his platoon was halted by a blockhouse and mutually supporting pillboxes protected by intense hostile rifle and mortar fire, Sergeant Foote advanced ahead of the lines and standing in full view of the Japanese, directed the attack of two tanks against the heavily fortified positions until a number of the enemy were annihilated and many more routed from the strong point. His courage and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Sergeant Foote and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

EDWIN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Los Angeles, California
B--Aberdeen, Idaho

296708

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APO #502

20 November 1943.

GENERAL ORDERS)
: NO418)

Section

Awards of the Silver StarI.

I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to the following-named officer and enlisted men:

HARRY W. FORCINIO, JR., (296708), Private, United States Marine Corps, for gallantry in action at New Georgia, Solomon Islands, on 10 July 1943, in voluntarily climbing a tree which was exposed to heavy enemy fire to retrieve medical supplies attached to a parachute, sorely needed by his organization. Home address: Lancaster Avenue, Berwyn, Pennsylvania.

By Command of Lieutenant General HARMON:

A. J. BARNETT,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

M. B. KENDRICK,
Major, A. G. D.,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

R ... Berwyn, Pennsylvania.

B ... Cedar Hollow, Pennsylvania.

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Appd SofN 9-20-48
4th MarDiv
Serial 14594

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ALBERT L. FORD,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Runner in a Rifle Platoon of Company I, Third Battalion, Twenty-fourth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 28 February 1945. Following the capture of a Japanese strong point when his platoon was ordered to reorganize and set up in a more favorable position, Private First Class Ford voluntarily joined a group which was returning to the enemy lines to search out and rescue three wounded Marines who had been left behind. Despite intense mortar and machine-gun fire which had defeated previous rescue attempts by stretcher bearers, he proceeded two hundred yards into hostile territory and assisted in neutralizing a Japanese pillbox and in evacuating the wounded men to safety. By his initiative and courage in the face of intense enemy fire, Private First Class Ford upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Gridley, California.
B--San Francisco, Calif.

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DGP-298-gjd

Spot Award.
Serial 724.
Signed AUG 11 1943

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

TECHNICAL SERGEANT RALPH R. FORD, U. S. MARINE CORPS.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action while serving with Marine Fighting Squadron TWO TWENTY-FOUR during the bombardment of Henderson Field, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, by enemy Japanese surface and air forces on the night of October 13-14, 1942. When a heavy enemy shell struck dangerously close to a bomb shelter, burying five marines under a mass of earth and debris, Technical Sergeant Ford, hearing cries for help, voluntarily exposed himself to the intense fire of hostile shells and bombs and, with several other men, set to work rescuing their imprisoned comrades. Due to the quick thinking and heroic efforts of Technical Sergeant Ford and his companions, two of the buried men were saved, and the bodies of the other three marines were recovered. His unswerving devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Blackwell, Oklahoma.

B - Blackwell, Oklahoma. 12-5-1919.

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Serial 43822

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Signed-----

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL ROY A. FORD,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Squad Leader, Acting Platoon Guide and Acting Platoon Sergeant of Company G, Third Battalion, Twenty-eighth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces during the assault on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, from 19 February to 24 March 1945. When his platoon was held up by a pocket of five enemy caves on 24 March, while he was acting as Platoon Sergeant, Corporal Ford went forward with three men in an attempt to destroy the formidable barrier and, despite intense fire from covering spider traps, placed demolition charges until he was wounded and evacuated. His courage and devotion to duty throughout this period were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R-San Bernardino, Calif
B-Victorville, Calif.

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App. SofN 4 Jan. 1945
Serial 004188
Signed APR 3 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

FIRST LIEUTENANT VINCENT A. FORD, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Mortar Platoon Leader attached to the First Battalion, Twenty-Second Marines, First Provisional Marine Brigade, during action against enemy Japanese forces in the vicinity of Agat Village, Guam, Marianas Islands, on 21 July 1944. With the two assault platoons suffering heavy casualties under the fierce resistance of the Japanese, First Lieutenant Ford daringly moved forward to adjust his fire for greater effectiveness and, after making his way up the difficult route in the face of devastating hostile fire, was mortally wounded. By his valiant initiative and aggressive fighting spirit, First Lieutenant Ford inspired the front line troops to intensified offensive action, and his unwavering devotion to duty throughout the engagement reflects the highest credit upon the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

SSM' perm cit & ltr fr CMC del'd by CO, MB. NYd, Charleston, S.C. to the parents of the late 1st Lt. Ford, Mr & Mrs Boyd Ford, Rt2, Box 69, Nichols, S.C. on 18 May, 1945 at their home. Friends and relatives attended. Photographs taken.

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Nichols, South Carolina.
B--Nichols, South Carolina.

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Serial 6028
Signed SEP 9 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN WILLIAM E. FORD,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Naval Gunfire Officer of the Third Joint Assault Signal Company, Headquarters Battalion, Third Marine Division, and operationally attached to the First Battalion, Third Marines, Third Marine Division, during operations against enemy Japanese forces at Guam, Marianas Islands, on 21 and 22 July 1944. Landing on Asan Beach with the assault waves of the First Battalion, Captain Ford immediately set up his radio communications system in an advanced position and, courageously disregarding a constant hail of enemy gunfire, remained steadfast at his exposed station, accurately spotting and calling for naval gunfire support. Although under a relentless barrage of enemy fire, he personally supervised the laying of a vital telephone line from the regimental command post to his observation station on 22 July, and subsequently relayed important information concerning troop dispositions, terrain and enemy activities. When all officers and many non-commissioned officers of a rifle company in the vicinity of his observation post had been killed or wounded, Captain Ford heroically assumed command of the remaining company, maintaining it in the action until an infantry officer could be sent to relieve him on the following day. By his aggressive initiative, gallant fighting spirit and courageous leadership, Captain Ford contributed essentially to the success of our forces in this strategic area and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Houston, Texas.

320648
DGP-298-mvm

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SPOT
Serial 86492
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PLATOON SERGEANT WILLIAM R. FORD,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company A, First Tank Battalion, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 11 May 1945. When his tank was hit and disabled by a hostile antitank gun while advancing up a railroad cut that served as the only forward tank route in the sector, Platoon Sergeant Ford immediately realized that the crippled vehicle was blocking the only route by which tanks could advance and, dismounting in the face of heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small-arms fire, began supervising the repair of his tank. Suffering from concussion and shock when a large mortar shell struck the vehicle and seriously wounded the remaining members of the crew before he could complete the repairs, he made his way to an aid station to obtain stretcher-bearers and, after directing the evacuation of his wounded comrades, returned to the tank to make temporary repairs and to drive it clear of the railroad cut. By his heroism, coolness and determination during this action, Platoon Sergeant Ford upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Du Quoin, Illinois.
B--Du Quoin, Illinois.

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Serial 44532

Signed-----

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DONALD U. FOREMAN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company A, First Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 20 March 1945. Braving heavy enemy rifle fire to guide tanks into position to fire on several hostile pillboxes holding up his company's advance, Private First Class Foreman courageously remained outside the tanks to direct their fire. By his indomitable fighting spirit and determination, he contributed materially to the success of the mission. His devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R-Gary, Indiana
B-Winamac, Indiana

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

336259
DGP-298-Navy-RDA.

CincPac
SPOT
Serial 0647
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HOWARD C. FOREMAN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company A, First Battalion, Eighteenth Marines (Engineer), Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, on 20 and 23 November 1943. Fearlessly risking his life to attempt the rescue of two wounded Marines struck down in the water during landing operations on D-Day, Private First Class Foreman boldly advanced under the enemy's shattering machine-gun and rifle fire to the side of his comrades and, after successfully removing them to the comparative safety of the beach, calmly and efficiently administered first aid. Again subjecting himself to withering hostile fire during a fierce engagement on 23 November, he relentlessly charged three heavily fortified hostile strong points and neutralized their fire by the skilled aggressive use of his flame thrower. By his daring initiative, indomitable fighting spirit and cool courage in the face of tremendous odds, Private First Class Foreman contributed materially to the success of our forces in capturing this vital hostile stronghold and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Glendale, Montana.,
B--Glendale, Montana.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

349463
DGP-298-gl

Cincpac
SPOT
Serial 11172
Signed _____ JAN 26 1948

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE THOMAS E. FOREMAN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Antitank Battery, Twenty-second Marines, Fifth Amphibious Corps, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Parry Island, Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Islands, 22 February 1944. Serving with distinction during a six-hour period, Private Foreman drove a self-propelled gun transporting vital ammunition to front line troops. Relieved from his duties, he volunteered to carry stretchers from the front lines and, continuing to serve heroically although ordered to rest, carried burning mortar shell cases into the ocean. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private Foreman contributed materially to the success of the operations against the enemy and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Chicago, Ill.
B--Detroit, Michigan.

325638
DGP.-298-Navy-FBB

ComGenFMFPac
Spot Ser. 7396
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL GILBERT F. FORSYTH, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Radio Operator of a Forward Observation Team of Battery F, Second Battalion, Eleventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces at Pelaliu, Palau Islands, from 15 to 30 September 1944. Although suffering from numerous painful wounds inflicted by an exploding enemy hand grenade, Corporal Forsyth courageously refused to leave his post for medical treatment realizing that the forward observer would thereby be severely handicapped in the performance of his duties. Subsequently learning that he could not be replaced by an experienced operator on the battalion liaison team, he steadfastly remained with the group and continued to perform his duties with expert technical ability until the team was relieved as a unit. By his courage, initiative and devotion to duty throughout, Corporal Forsyth upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

R- Buffalo, N. Y.

B- " "
17 Aug 1916

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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DGP-298-ebg

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

FIRST SERGEANT WILLIAM P. FORT, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Platoon Leader of Company C, First Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces during the assault on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 19 March 1945. Seeking to discover the source of the heavy enemy rifle and machine-gun fire which was harassing his platoon, First Sergeant Fort fearlessly exposed himself to the fire and observed that it came from a large blockhouse. Calling for tank support, he personally led the tanks into advantageous firing positions and, in the face of hostile fire, resolutely held his position and directed the fire of the tanks until the enemy stronghold was destroyed. His courage and unfaltering leadership throughout were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Shreveport, La.
B..Shreveport, La.

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DGP-298-Navy-RDA

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Serial 0647
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

FIRST LIEUTENANT JACOB D. FORTENBERRY, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while attached to Company L, Third Battalion, Sixth Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, on 23 November 1943. Encountering countless heavily fortified Japanese pillboxes and concrete and log emplacements while advancing across his assigned area on the south beach shore of Betio, First Lieutenant Fortenberry valiantly led his platoon through eighteen hundred yards of fierce hostile resistance and, pressing home repeated brilliantly executed attacks, contributed to the ultimate seizure of the objective and to the securing of the island, accounting for one hundred and fifty enemy troops during the bitter hostilities with the loss of only one of his own men. With one of our tanks assigned the mission of wiping out a strongly constructed pillbox, he immediately led a squad around the flank to the rear of the position as the enemy retreated through a back entrance and, maneuvering his unit far beyond our front lines and through incessant hostile shellfire, succeeded in blocking their escape, thereby enabling our forward elements to advance. His forceful and determined leadership, daring aggressiveness and cool courage in the face of tremendous odds were essential factors in the success of the Tarawa Campaign and reflect the highest credit upon First Lieutenant Fortenberry and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Imboden, Ark.,
B--Imboden, Ark.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Appd Soff 1-22-45
Serial 11898
Signed AUG 3 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL HOWARD A. FOSS, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Combat Cameraman with the Photographic Section, Third Amphibious Corps, Fleet Marine Force, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Guam, Marianas Islands, from 21 to 29 July 1944. Unhesitatingly volunteering to accompany assault troops to the front lines during a bitter engagement for the airstrip on Grote Peninsula on 29 July, Corporal Foss dauntlessly pressed forward in the face of withering hostile fire to the vicinity of the air control tower and took vital photographs of rapidly advancing Marines and tank units. Shot in the hand by a bursting enemy shell, he refused medical attention, insisting that the more seriously wounded be cared for first and, crawling through the fierce barrage to a more advantageous position for filming, continued to record the action until he was fatally struck down by Japanese machine-gun fire. By his outstanding professional ability, great personal valor and cool courage in the face of grave peril, Corporal Foss succeeded in obtaining photographs of great importance to our further operations against the Japanese, and his zealous devotion to duty throughout this and numerous other perilous combat missions was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

SSM, perm cit, ltr fr CMC pres by the Acting CincP, 12-8-45 of Chicago, Ill.
to the parents of the late Corp Foss, Mr [unclear] for the President,
and Mrs Theo B. Foss at their home.
Inf pres.

R--Chicago, Ill.
B--Chicago, Ill.

15/Arthur L. Gates
Secretary of the Navy.
Acting

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SPOT
Serial 01489
Signed-----

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERT L. FOSS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company L, Third Battalion, Second Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, 20 and 21 November 1943. Assuming command of his squad when his commanding officer became a casualty during the first day of the assault, Private First Class Foss diligently performed his duties throughout the day and ensuing night. During the attack on the following day, he discovered an organized enemy position in the rear of our forward elements which was threatening his company's left flank and, despite heavy enemy machine-gun fire, led his squad in an attack with hand grenades and destroyed the hostile position. His courage and devotion to duty throughout reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Foss and the United States Naval Service."

R-Salt Lake, City, Utah.
B-Chester Utah

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 44965
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT J. D. FOSTER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Squad Leader of Company H, Third Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 22 February 1945. Advancing with his platoon against a bitterly defended enemy position, Sergeant Foster was ordered to make a flanking attack on the position although there was no protection on his left. Fearlessly exposing himself to hostile fire, he reconnoitered a route through the enemy-controlled terrain and, returning to his unit, maneuvered his men to the objective. Destroying two pillboxes and several Japanese on the way, Sergeant Foster secured his objective without the loss of any of his men. His skillful leadership, courage and unselfish devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Houston, Miss.,
B..Houston, Miss.

R.--Klamath Falls, Oregon,
B.--EastGrand Forks, Minnesota.

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Signed SEP 20 1946

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The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

MAJOR LESTER S. FOUGHT, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Company E, Second Battalion, Twenty-Third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 19 February 1945. When the advance of his company had been halted approximately five hundred yards inland for a period of several hours and all efforts to obtain the support of tanks had failed due to the impassability and heavy mining of the terrain in his zone, Major Fought organized and led an assault on three enemy pillboxes which were delivering accurate and intense small-arms and machine-gun fire. Mortally wounded while carrying out this hazardous mission, Major Fought, by his heroic leadership, served as an inspiration to the officers and men under his command and contributed materially to the success of his unit. His courageous conduct throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Toledo, Ohio.

B--Toledo, Ohio.

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Spot Award
Serial 00319
Signed NOV 27 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in
presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN CONRAD M. FOWLER, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Company A, First Battalion, Ninth Marines, Third Marine Division, during the Battle of Piva Forks, Bougainville, Solomon Islands, on November 25, 1943. When his company was subjected to intense fire from hostile mortars and automatic weapons while advancing on a strongly organized and defended Japanese position, Captain Fowler unhesitatingly made his way to the front and, personally leading his troops through difficult jungle terrain under a barrage of grenades and fire, skillfully directed the company's reserve and assault platoons, enabling his command to penetrate the enemy position successfully. Although he was painfully wounded during this engagement by an exploding hand grenade, he courageously refused evacuation and continued to lead his men for a period of thirty-six hours until they had defeated the enemy and accomplished their objective. Captain Fowler's splendid leadership, dauntless valor and complete devotion to duty were an inspiration to his men and in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Columbiana, Alabama
B--Montevallo, Alabama

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Serial 91138
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the GOLD STAR in lieu of a second SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN CONRAD M. FOWLER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Company A, First Battalion, Ninth Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 26 February 1945. When intense enemy fire from artillery, mortars and small arms inflicted heavy casualties on the assault platoons and halted his company's advance, Captain Fowler continued to lead his men in an attack against a well-fortified strong point west of Motoyama Airfield Number Two. Continually exposing himself to the heavy fire as he worked his way from one front-line platoon to another, he skillfully directed reorganization and spotted targets for artillery, Naval gunfire and mortars. By his coolness under fire, Captain Fowler served as an inspiration to the men of his command and aided materially in eliminating much of the enemy fire. His aggressive leadership throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

WILL L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Columbiana, Alabama
B--Montevallo, Alabama

347288
DGP-298-egc

CincPac
Appd SofM 2-1-45
Serial 0378
Signed APR 28 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EDWARD C. FOWLER, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as First Scout of a Platoon serving with the First Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 17 September 1944. When converging Japanese machine-gun fire from concealed positions inflicted heavy casualties on his platoon as it moved up the slope of a coral ridge, Private First Class Fowler unhesitatingly ran forward to the crest of the ridge and, courageously exposing himself by firing tracer bullets, diverted the attention of the enemy until he was killed by a burst of machine-gun fire. Private First Class Fowler's inspiring action and dauntless fighting spirit enabled his platoon to locate and destroy the hostile emplacement, and his self-sacrificing devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Miami, Florida
B--Macon, Georgia

SSM, perm.cit. & ltr. fr. CMC pres'd on 25 June 1945 by the Dist. Officer, 7th Nav. Dist., 1138 DuPont Bldg., Miami, 32, Fla., to the mother of the late Pfc. Fowler, Mrs. Mary E. Adams, 2960 Northwest 27th St., Miami, Fla. Presentation was made with informal ceremony.

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CincPac
SPOT
Serial 0647
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GEORGE J. FOX,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company K, Third Battalion, Eighth Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, from 20 to 22 November 1943. When the Wave Commander's boat on which he was embarked received two direct hits which killed six Marines and wounded ten more during landing operations on D-Day, Private First Class Fox fearlessly made his way to the beach and, boldly exposing himself to the enemy's concentrated mortar, machine-gun and sniper fire, assisted in the expeditious reorganization of his company by acting as runner and guide. Determined and courageous during numerous attacks against hostile dugouts and pillboxes throughout the next few days of action, he fought furiously in neutralizing many strong points and, during a critical stage of the battle, contributed to the reduction of a bombproof shelter after participating in three violent strikes against the heavily-fortified strong point. His daring initiative, dauntless perseverance and indomitable fighting spirit, maintained throughout the fierce hostilities were essential factors in the success of the operation and reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Fox and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

R--Worcester, Mass.,
B--Worcester, Mass.

Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 00420

The President of the United States takes pride
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS MARSHALL L. FOX,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Flame Thrower Operator of Weapons Company, Ninth Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, 21 July 1944. When his company was pinned down by enemy machine-gun and rifle fire from a cave in the line of advance on D-Day, Private First Class Fox voluntarily maneuvered himself into a position directly in front of the cave and, braving the continuous hostile fire, coolly delivered intense bursts of flame into the cave, annihilating eleven of the enemy and allowing the company to attain its objective. His courage, initiative and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Richmond, Calif.

B--Lamesa, Tex.

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT WILLIAM J. FOX,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Platoon Leader of Company K, Third Battalion, Twenty-first Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, 25 July 1944. When the enemy's seizure of a sector of the lines threatened a collapse of our entire position, Second Lieutenant Fox promptly led a hastily organized detail in charging a hostile ridge. Engaging the enemy in a fierce hand-to-hand struggle, he succeeded in recapturing his section of machine guns and in reorganizing the line. By his leadership, daring initiative and devotion to duty, Second Lieutenant Fox upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

R-West Orange, N. J.
B-East Orange, N. J.

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FMF Pac
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Serial 00420

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT LONNIE D. FOY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Mortar Observer of Company I, Third Battalion, Third Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces in the Chonito Cliff Area, Guam, Marianas Islands, 23 July 1944. Acting on his own initiative, Sergeant Foy advanced one hundred yards beyond his own lines in an effort to destroy a Japanese mortar battery that was inflicting casualties throughout his entire company during its assault of Chonito Cliff. During his advance in the face of heavy rifle and machine-gun fire, Sergeant Foy laid wire connecting him with the 60-mm. mortar section and, reaching an observation point, directed mortar fire that destroyed the enemy mortar battery, killing seven of the Japanese. By his courageous initiative, he enabled his company to continue its assault and occupy the area, thereby upholding the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Vanceboro, N. C.

B--Vanceboro, N. C.

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Serial-34088
Signed MAY 28 1946

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the
SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL HAROLD P. FRACKELTON, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

“For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Member of a Forward Observation Team for the 81-mm. Mortar Platoon serving with the Second Battalion, Twenty-Seventh Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces during the seizure of Iwo Jima, in the Volcano Islands, on 10 March 1945. Stationed in a strategic observation post approximately seventy-five yards ahead of the front lines, Corporal Frackelton skillfully placed the accurate fire of his battery on strongly fortified Japanese positions and succeeded in inflicting considerable damage on hostile installations before the rapidly increasing volume of enemy mortar fire rendered his exposed position untenable. Withdrawing to another point, he was informed of the urgent necessity for effecting a protective smoke screen between the enemy and our tanks operating forward of the lines in a mined area where Marines were engaged in repairing disabled vehicles and attempting to evacuate their wounded crew members. Fearlessly disregarding all personal danger, he immediately returned to his original observation post despite the unabating fury of deadly fire which blanketed the area and coolly directed his team in laying a heavy smoke cover until fatally struck down by a bursting mortar shell. An aggressive and inspiring leader, Corporal Frackelton, by his alert initiative, dauntless courage and sound tactical knowledge, aided materially in the evacuation of several wounded comrades and enabled our besieged tank crews to effect necessary repairs to vitally needed equipment during a critical phase of the battle. His valiant spirit of self-sacrifice and unwavering devotion to duty in the face of extreme peril were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country.”

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL
R. Los Angeles, Calif.
B. San Fernando, Calif.
Secretary of the Navy

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Serial 21501
Signed OCT 28 1947

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS FORREST W. FRALEY, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Demolitionist and Flame Thrower Operator of Company B, First Battalion, Eighteenth Marines (Engineer), Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 5 July 1944. In the face of intense hostile small-arms fire, Private First Class Fraley approached an enemy-held cave and, successfully placing a demolitions charge, neutralized the Japanese inside. Immediately after, he continued his duties with a flame thrower and, neutralizing seven enemy-held caves during the day, cleared out approximately one hundred of the Japanese, thereby allowing our units to advance. His courage and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Fraley and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R-- Glendale, Calif.
B-- Glendale, Calif.

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Serial 0558
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

MAJOR DONALD P. FRAME,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Pilot of a Fighter Plane in Marine Fighting Squadron ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-THREE in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 12 April 1945. When a hostile formation was detected approaching our surface units, Major Frame climbed to meet the enemy planes despite a defective engine. Maneuvering skillfully in the face of intense antiaircraft fire from ships of our Task Group, he intercepted and shot down one of the Japanese planes. His superb airmanship and gallant fighting spirit reflect the highest credit upon Major Frame and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Council Bluff, Iowa
B..Council Bluffs, Iowa

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DGP-298-ebg

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WALTER W. FRANK,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company C, First Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces during the assault on enemy-held Peleliu, Palau Islands, 15 September 1944. While his platoon was attacking behind supporting tanks, Private First Class Frank observed a hostile machine gun that was delivering severe flanking fire on other members of the company advancing behind the tanks. Acting on his own initiative, he boldly charged directly into the face of the machine-gun fire and succeeded in neutralizing the gun and four of its crew, thereby removing an obstacle which was causing many casualties on our troops and was in a position to stop the advance. His outstanding courage, aggressive fighting spirit and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Phoenix, Ariz.
B..Leslie, Ark.

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Spot Award
ComSevFlt Serial 0850
Signed DEC 4 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL MERLIN W. FRASIER, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Tank Driver serving with the First Marine Division during action against enemy Japanese forces in the Borgen Bay Area, Cape Gloucester, New Britain, on January 6, 1944. Observing a tank of his platoon bogged down while pressing forward in support of the First Battalion, Seventh Marines, Corporal Frasier quickly descended from his tank and, while exposed to heavy enemy fire, attached a towing cable to the disabled vehicle and pulled it to higher ground. Subsequently emerging from his tank, in the face of devastating Japanese fire, he fearlessly removed the cable and secured it to his own machine before proceeding with the advance. By his outstanding initiative, daring aggressiveness and selfless devotion to duty, Corporal Frasier saved a valuable tank from probable destruction and enabled his platoon to provide effective cover for our attacking forces. His prompt and efficient action was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Lockport, N. Y.
B - Hartland, N. Y.

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Serial 56881
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS THOMAS D. FRASIER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving in a Rifle Platoon of Company I, Third Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 6 May 1945. Braving intense hostile fire after his unit had made several unsuccessful attempts to destroy a Japanese strong point, Private First Class Frasier worked his way forward to attack the position and annihilate ten of the enemy, thereby enabling his company to advance. His courageous fighting spirit and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Oak Lawn, Ill.,
B--Wellington, Kan.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

EE, Edward G., PFC

301430

SILVER STAR (Army) - Awarded by dispatch April 27, 1942. Filed on case 1740-55-65. Service at Ph. Is.

The following information is taken from a Fitness Report dated 31 March, 1942 and received in Decorations and Medals August 1942.

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HEADQUARTERS

CTB: srs

First Battalion, Fourth Marines

3 April, 1942.

From: The Commanding Officer.
To: The Commanding Officer, Fourth Marines.

Subject: Recommendation for awards of Silver Star.

1. It is recommended that favorable consideration be given to the award of the Silver Star to the below named officer and enlisted men.

2. On 25 March, 1942, during the course of a heavy bombing attack of Fort Mills, P.I., a large number of bombs fell on the Kindley Field area setting fire to the 92nd C.A.C. barracks and the wooded area in the vicinity of the 92nd C.A.C. garage. The below named officer and enlisted men, without regard for personal safety and while enemy planes were operating overhead, succeeded in getting under control a fire which threatened to destroy a fuel storage tank as well as numerous defense installations in that area. This action was rendered more hazardous by the explosion of small caliber ammunition and land mines in the immediate vicinity of the fire fighting.

MANNING, Alan S.		First Lieutenant
COOLEY, Richard	230833	Supply Sergeant
O'BRIEN, John P., Jr.	218757	Platoon Sergeant
KENNEY, Richard D.	277741	Sergeant
BUNN, Evan F.	278783	Private First Class
FREE, Edward G. ✓	301430	Private First Class

CURTIS T. BEECHER

R.....Chevy Chase, Maryland.
B.....Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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DGP-236-nvw

Spot Award
Serial 0750
Signed NOV 20 1943

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting
the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT CHARLES M. FREEMAN, U.S.M.C.R.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as member of Marine
Fighting Squadron TWO TWELVE during action against enemy Japanese
forces over the Solomon Islands from August 20 to November 9, 1942.
Participating in numerous offensive and defensive flight missions
throughout the far-flung battle zone, Second Lieutenant Freeman,
with cool courage and utter disregard for his own personal safety,
shot four hostile planes out of the sky and destroyed a fifth on the
ground. In addition to pressing home vigorous attacks against
Japanese warships and shore-based anti-aircraft installations, he
took part in the successful interception of heavily escorted waves
of invading bombers. On one occasion, while escorting our bombers
over an enemy task force, he and his flight destroyed nine Japanese
planes and, by severely strafing hostile anti-aircraft batteries,
diminished their fire to a point where our bombers could fly in
and obtain direct hits on one cruiser and three destroyers. His
expert airmanship and devotion to duty were in keeping with the
highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Rochester, New York.

B - Congers, New York.

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DGP-298-egc

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CincPac
Serial 842
Appd SofN 2-8-45
Signed SEP 19 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting
the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL DAVID FREEMAN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Second Battalion, Tenth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on the Island of Saipan in the Marianas, on 20 June 1944. When devastating explosions and resultant fires occurred in a vital ammunition dump, Corporal Freeman unhesitatingly risked his life to enter the danger area where large quantities of dynamite, artillery and mortar ammunition were stored and, fighting the flames with determined initiative, worked desperately in a valliant attempt to isolate the burning area until instantly killed by a second tremendous explosion. Corporal Freeman's prompt action, indomitable fortitude and cool courage in the face of extreme peril reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

SS.perm cit. ltr fr. CMC fwd by mail to the
mother of the late Corporal Freeman, Mrs.
Samuel Freeman, 755 Marshall Ave., St. Paul,
Minn. by CG, MCAS, El Toro, Calif.

R--Los Angeles, Calif.
B--St. Paul, Minnesota

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DGP-298-cs

Spot Award
Serial 1167
Signed SFP 24 1943

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT MARTIN R. FREEMAN, USMC.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while attached to a company in the First Battalion, Sixth Marines, Reinforced, during action against enemy Japanese forces in the vicinity of the Mamara River, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on January 26, 1943. When a patrol in front of his company line was subjected to intense enemy cross machine-gun fire which inflicted severe casualties on the patrol and pinned it down, Second Lieutenant Freeman, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, left the company Command Post in response to a call from the patrol for aid and moved forward through concentrated sniper fire to a point where he could assist members of the harassed patrol. In the face of continued heavy enemy fire, he rendered invaluable aid to the seriously wounded until his upper left arm was shattered by a bullet. Despite the severity of his injury, he returned to his Command Post and reported the enemy situation, thereby furnishing vital information which enabled the company commander to take positive action and undoubtedly saved the lives of many of the patrol. Second Lieutenant Freeman's indomitable courage and valiant devotion to duty under extremely adverse conditions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

W. K. KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Camp Elliott, California
B - Los Angeles, California

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Serial 12587
Spot Award
Signed

OCT 19 1945

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS OTTO B. FREEMAN, JR., USMC *R*

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as an Automatic Rifleman serving with the First Battalion, Twenty-Third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on the Island of Tinian in the Marianas, on 1 August 1944. Spotting the source of enemy fire directed on his company's left flank during a relentless advance upon hostile positions, Private First Class Freeman unhesitatingly moved into clear view of two machine guns and, opening fire with bold aggressiveness, maintained a steady, accurate stream of deadly bullets on the hostile emplacements and succeeded in destroying one and damaging the other before he fell, wounded in both legs. Although unable to move, he gallantly guarded two other Marines who were serious casualties, holding his vigil with indomitable fortitude despite weakening pain and exhaustion until both he and his companions were evacuated. By his alert readiness, daring initiative and tenacious determination throughout a period of fierce hostilities, Private First Class Freeman contributed materially to the success of our operations against this vital Japanese stronghold, and his undaunted courage and valiant conduct in the face of savage opposition upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Nolan, Texas
B--Streetwater, Texas

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Appd SofN 1-10-46
Serial 35573
Signed FEB 26 1947

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WILLIAM S. FREEMAN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Machine Gunner in a platoon of Company E, Second Battalion, Twenty-third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 19 February 1945. When the other members of his squad became casualties under intense enemy mortar and artillery fire on the beach during the assault landing, Private First Class Freeman carried his own mounted light machine gun and box of ammunition on each forward movement of his platoon, rendering effective supporting automatic fire during the advances. Although painfully wounded, he resolutely kept abreast of his company and kept his machine gun in action until fatally wounded by mortar fire. His courage, initiative and valiant fighting spirit were contributing factors in the success of his company's mission and reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Freeman and the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Ligonier, Pa.

B--Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JACK D. FREER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company C, First Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 9 May 1945. During a severe enemy night counterattack, Private First Class Freer joined several other Marines to proceed to the aid of a wounded comrade. When an enemy hand grenade was thrown in the midst of their group while rendering aid to the casualty, he immediately recovered the missile and hurled it from the foxhole where it exploded harmlessly and returned to assist in carrying his comrade to safety under continuing hostile fire. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

R--Ashdawn, Ark.,
B--Walnut Ridge, Ark.

Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 54919
Signed

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL ESPIN A. FRENCH,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company B, Third Engineer Battalion, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, the morning of 2 March 1945. Undaunted by a heavy concentration of enemy mortar fire blanketing the area, Corporal French, although wounded the previous day by enemy shell fragments, unhesitatingly joined a party assigned the mission of carrying ammunition and weapons to an infantry company isolated on the high ground north of Motoyama Airfield Number Three. As his group advanced in the face of a terrific mortar barrage, Corporal French fearlessly exposed himself to the rain of enemy shells bursting on all sides and proceeded to the assistance of two wounded Marines who were unable to walk. Then, quickly ascertaining that all casualties were in covered positions, he again moved out under fire to obtain stretchers and to assist in taking out the wounded. With the casualties evacuated, he returned and led a second ammunition and weapons party through the danger area, thereby completing the vital carrying mission. By his courage, initiative and devotion to duty in the face of extreme peril, Corporal French contributed to the safety of his comrades and to the expedient reinforcement of the besieged company during a critical phase of the battle. His conduct throughout upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

R--Le Roy, Kansas.,
B--White Oak, ~~Okla.~~

OKLA.

Secretary of the Navy.

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The President of the United States takes pride
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JACK G. FRENCH,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Assistant Gunner in a Machine Gun Squad of Company E, Second Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, on 16 September 1944. Although wounded twice when all the members of his squad became casualties during a strong ambush by hostile forces, Private First Class French succeeded in dragging a wounded comrade to safety and taking charge of a rifle squad detailed to effect the rescue, braved the continued enemy rifle and machine gun barrage to direct the rescue of two seriously wounded Marines, thereby undoubtedly saving the lives of three of his comrades. His outstanding courage, devotion to duty and grave concern for the welfare of others were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R---Sullivan, Indiana

B---Sullivan, Indiana

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Serial-35790
Signed 111 12 1946

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL CLARENCE T. FREY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Platoon Leader, serving with the First Battalion, Twenty-Eighth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Iwo Jima in the Volcano Islands, on 10 March 1945. When his platoon leader was killed, Corporal Frey immediately assumed command and vigorously pushed the attack toward the objective, an enemy-held ridge to the front, until the platoon was pinned down by heavy machine-gun fire from a hostile pillbox on the right flank which had been by-passed by an adjacent unit. Working his way toward the pillbox, he attacked it with hand grenades and silenced it, killing five of the enemy before being severely wounded himself, thereby so inspiring his men that they pushed on to the objective and routed the Japanese from their stronghold. His courageous initiative and bold leadership reflect the highest credit upon Corporal Frey and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

John L. Sullivan

(Acting) Secretary of the Navy.
R--Inglewood, California.
B--Inglewood, California.

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DGP-298-dmf

Spot Award
Serial 1441
Signed OCT 28 1943

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT RALPH C. FREY, JR., U.S.M.C.R.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action while attached to the First Marines, First Marine Division, during an engagement with enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on the night of September 14, 1942. Courageously leading his platoon in the darkness up a bare slope which was swept by enemy fire, Second Lieutenant Frey with his comrades engaged the Japanese in hand-to-hand combat. Although critically wounded and later removed from action, he succeeded in establishing his platoon in a strong point from which it carried on until daylight when the remaining enemy forces were annihilated. By his bold and resourceful action, he contributed materially to the success of his platoon in steadfastly holding one flank of our lines against the fierce onslaught of the enemy. Second Lieutenant Frey's indomitable fighting spirit and heroic devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Euclid, Ohio

B- Euclid, Ohio.

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App'd SofN 9-2-44
Serial 3418
Signed NOV 4 1944

The President of the United States takes pride in
presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL *posthumously to*
LIEUTENANT COLONEL AUGUSTUS H. FRICKE, USMC.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of the Third Battalion, Eighth Marines, Reinforced, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, January 14 to 19, 1943. Courageous and indomitable in the face of fierce, persistent enemy resistance, Lieutenant Colonel Fricke led his men during the final powerful attack to the west of the island and, directing the advance of his lines skillfully and with aggressive determination, enabled the battalion to capture large quantities of Japanese weapons and vital supplies and to destroy more than three hundred hostile troops. Lieutenant Colonel Fricke's inspiring leadership, expert tactical ability and valiant devotion to duty under extremely difficult conditions contributed materially to the success of our forces in driving the enemy from this strategic area and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Philadelphia, Pa.
B-- " "

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL GEORGE E. FRIDDLE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, on 19 September 1944. When his company sustained severe casualties during an advance through a series of broken and confusing ridges, Corporal Friddle voluntarily climbed to an unprotected ridge and, undeterred by hostile observation and heavy fire, signaled the position of his flank to friendly units. Wounded during this hazardous undertaking, he remained at his post until certain that friendly troops had understood his signals. Apprising both units of the other's position, he was instrumental in making possible greater coordination of both units in the subsequent attack. His initiative, coolness under fire and courageous action reflect great credit on Corporal Friddle and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Toledo, Ohio.
B--Detroit, Mich.

FRANCIS P. MATTHEWS

Secretary of the Navy.

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT EMERY D. H. FRIEND,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Platoon Leader of Company A, First Battalion, Twenty-eighth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces during the assault on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 22 March 1945. Assigned the hazardous mission of destroying fortified hostile positions which were holding up the advance of his company and had caused heavy casualties among the personnel, Second Lieutenant Friend courageously led a demolition team at night deep into enemy-held territory and, despite constant hostile machine-gun, rifle and hand grenade fire, directed the placing and setting off of demolition charges to destroy twelve enemy emplacements, after which he led his men safely back to their own lines. By his courageous efforts, Second Lieutenant Friend enabled his company to advance the following day with light resistance and a minimum of casualties, and his devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Denver, Colo.
B-Denver, Colo.

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DGP-296-egc

CG, FMF, Pac
Serial 8151
Appd SofN 3-15-45
Signed JUL 10 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

SERGEANT MICHAEL A. FRIHAUF, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the First Battalion, Twenty-Fourth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces during the occupation of Saipan Island in the Marianas, on 7 July 1944. Fighting off a savage Japanese counterattack, Sergeant Frihauf tenaciously resisted the enemy's fanatic efforts and, skillfully reorganizing his platoon when it suffered depletion by heavy casualties under the terrific onslaught, pushed the enemy back with determined aggressiveness, breaking the abortive counter-attack and annihilating sixty Japanese soldiers. With the enemy effectively disorganized, he quickly advanced his men in a relentless drive, yielding no quarter and routing the entire Japanese force in his company's zone of action. By his forceful leadership, bold tactics and indomitable fighting spirit during a critical period of the fierce hostilities, Sergeant Frihauf contributed essentially to the ultimate conquest of this vital enemy stronghold, and his undaunted courage and decisive conduct throughout upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Rossford, Ohio
B-- " "

SSM, perm oit, ltr fr CMC pres'd. on 9 Sep 1945 by Cinc, USMC Dist. Lg. Ind. & Rec. Station, Rm. 522, Federal Bldg., Cleveland 15, Ohio, to the widow of the late Sgt. Frihauf, Mrs. Michael A. Frihauf, 187 1/2 St., Rossford, Ohio. Formal pres. at Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Rossford.

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Serial SEP 486 1943
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULIAN N. FRISBIE, USMC.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Executive Officer of the Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces at Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, during the period September to December, 1942. When a large Japanese force attacked the defensive lines of a sector under his command in the Lunga Area, Lieutenant Colonel Frisbie, on the front line of his forces, tirelessly worked to replenish dwindling ammunition supplies in the forward area, obtain necessary artillery support, and direct timely reinforcements. By his determined efforts and heroic disregard for his own personal safety, he enabled his men to repulse repeated enemy attacks during the night and contributed to the virtual annihilation of an entire Japanese regiment. His conduct throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Springfield, Illinois
B - Virden, Illinois

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Spot Award
Serial 02047
Signed AUG 29 1945

The President of the United States takes pleasure in
presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

LIEUTENANT COLONEL WALFRIED H. FROMHOLD,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

“For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Com-
manding Officer of a Battalion Landing Team attached to the
Twenty-Second Marines, Reinforced, in action against enemy
Japanese forces on Engebi and Parry Islands, Eniwetok Atoll,
Marshall Islands, 22 February 1944. A skilled and fearless
leader, Lieutenant Colonel Fromhold personally directed the
operation of his assault units in forcing a landing against strong-
ly defended enemy positions on these strategic islands. Quickly
reorganizing his battalion after it had suffered heavy casualties
in the initial landing on Parry Island, he pushed steadily inland
to seize the assigned objective, thereby insuring the ultimate
defeat of Japanese forces in this area. His daring initiative, ag-
gressive fighting spirit and unwavering devotion to the fulfill-
ment of a hazardous mission reflect the highest credit upon
Lieutenant Colonel Fromhold, his vallant command and the United
States Naval Service.”

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

R--Kansas City, Mo.
B--New York, N.Y.

Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 33746
Signed MAR 28 1947

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

SERGEANT MARVIN D. FROSS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company D, Second Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 22 February 1945. Observing a wounded Marine lying helpless in front of the company lines, Sergeant Fross courageously braved a hail of hostile mortar, machine-gun and rifle fire emanating from a Japanese pillbox to render first aid to his comrade. Sustaining fatal wounds from the intense fire, he dauntlessly persevered in his mission, struggling back to friendly lines with the wounded man. By his heroic actions, unselfish concern for another and loyal devotion to duty, Sergeant Fross served as an inspiration to the men of his company and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country.

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Los Angeles, California.
B..Los Angeles, California.

SSM w/perm. cit. ltr fr CMC presented to father, Mr. Donald D. Fross, informally at his home, on 7May47, by OinC, WHRD, Los Angeles, 12, California.

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Serial 11729
Signed JUL 21 1947

The President of the United States takes
pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT DUANE W. FROST,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Tank Leader, serving with Company B, Fourth Tank Battalion, Fourth Marine Division, in operation against enemy Japanese forces during the battle for Finian, Marianas Islands, from 24 July to 1 August 1944. Operating in support of two infantry companies and spear-heading a drive through a deep terrain corridor south of Finian Town on the afternoon of 21 July, Sergeant Frost halted his tank in a clearing to enable the infantry commander to reorganize his company. Attacked by Japanese forces, he remained in the open and stood his ground during the forty-five minutes of fighting which ensued and, using machine guns due to the lack of heavy caliber ammunition, helped to annihilate approximately two hundred of the enemy, thereby preventing the Japanese from setting up a strong defense in this strategic area, and saving the lives of many Marines. His courageous devotion to duty and relentless fighting spirit were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

B--Portland, Oregon
B--Esbon, Kansas

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Serial 13002
Signed JAN 11 1946

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The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL RAYMOND C. FROST,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Third Battalion, Twenty-Fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Saipan, Marianas Islands, on 20 June 1944. Gallantly leading his squad in an attack against a strongly entrenched enemy retarding the advance of his company, Corporal Frost fearlessly advanced through a direct line of hostile fire and, boldly charging the heavily fortified cave alone, succeeded in wiping out the strongpoint and killing twelve Japanese troops. His daring initiative, inspiring leadership and self-sacrificing efforts in the face of grave danger were contributing factors in the success of this and numerous other perilous engagements, and his unwavering devotion to duty throughout reflects the highest credit upon Corporal Frost and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

U. S. NAVY
R--East Douglas, Mass.
B--Northbridge, Mass.

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL CLOYCE L. FRUTH,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Machine Gun Section Leader of Company E, Second Battalion, Twenty-third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces during the assault on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 8 March 1945. When the other members of his section had become casualties during a heavy enemy counterattack, Corporal Fruth singlehandedly operated two light machine guns and, by moving back and forth between the two guns despite heavy hostile fire, kept two sectors which were not otherwise covered, under fire, and through his courageous actions, he greatly aided his platoon in repulsing a hostile counterattack, and his devotion to duty throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Hapoleon, Ohio
B..Flatrock Twp., Ohio

253162

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II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 500-45, August 8, 1932, the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

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BRUCE W. FRYE, (253162), Sergeant, United States Marine Corps, for gallantry in action on January 15, 1943, at Guadalcanal. The advance of a platoon of Marines was halted by fire from an enemy machine gun. Sergeant Frye and one other volunteered to advance through machine gun and sniper fire to a point near the enemy machine gun position. Improvised dynamite bombs were then used to blast it out of action. As a result two enemy gunners were killed and the machine gun was destroyed.

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By Command of Major General THOMPSON:

A. J. BARNETT,
Brig. General, G.S.C.,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

s/ William A. Lord, Jr.,

WILLIAM A. LORD, JR.,
Lt. Col., Inf.,
Actg. Asst. Adj. Gen.

R- McArthur, Ohio

B- McArthur, Ohio

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Signed JAN 11 1946

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

SECOND LIEUTENANT EDWARD E. FRYER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

OR

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Pilot of a Scout Bombing Plane attached to Marine Scout Bombing Squadron THREE FORTY-ONE during action against enemy Japanese forces east of Nichols Airfield, Manila City, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 February 1945. Fearlessly countering the enemy's shattering antiaircraft fire during an extremely perilous bombing strike against important Japanese installations retarding the advance of our ground forces in a critical stage of the campaign, Second Lieutenant Fryer flew in over the assigned target area skillfully and with determined aggressiveness to press home his devastating attack. With his plane seriously damaged in the execution of his dive, he dauntlessly continued his run and, releasing his bomb load at perilously low altitude, scored a direct hit on the enemy position before his plane crashed 200 yards offshore. Rescued shortly thereafter, Second Lieutenant Fryer was taken to a station hospital for treatment, but succumbed to his wounds a few days later. His superb airmanship, outstanding fortitude and cool courage maintained in the face of tremendous odds were essential factors in the success of our forces in recapturing the Philippines and his vallant devotion to duty throughout reflects the highest credit upon Second Lieutenant Fryer and the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Columbus, Ohio.
B--Ripley, Ohio.

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

FIELD COOK CARLO FULGENZI,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company D, First Engineer Battalion, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on 14 September 1942. Voluntarily joining a patrol to evacuate a Marine gunner who had been seriously wounded during an enemy attack on the preceding night, Field Cook Fulgenzi braved intense, close-in hostile sniper fire which had succeeded in thwarting previous rescue attempts and, despite the risk involved in approaching the casualty in his dangerous position, gallantly assisted in removing his wounded comrade. By his unselfish conduct and indomitable courage, Field Cook Fulgenzi upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANCIS P. MATTHEWS

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Hawthorne, New York
B-Mount Pleasant, New York

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The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

LIEUTENANT COLONEL HORACE W. FULLER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while attached to the Office of Strategic Services, United States Naval Forces in Europe, in action against enemy forces in enemy-occupied France, from 28 June 1944 to 15 September 1944. Parachuting into the Hautes-Pyrenees Department of France to organize, arm and lead resistance forces personnel in sabotage and other underground activities against enemy troops and installations, Lieutenant Colonel Fuller assembled men and arms to withstand an attack, on 17 July, of over five hundred German troops, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy without the loss of a man of his own group. Due to the heavy concentration of enemy troops in his area, he voluntarily changed to civilian clothing the better to accomplish his task, making himself liable to treatment as a spy in the event of his capture and, on 14 August, led his Maquis forces in a series of raids and ambushes to liberate Tarbes, in which over six hundred prisoners and much German equipment were taken. Throughout this entire period, he led his forces in sabotage activities, severing the rail and power lines and rendering useless the oil refinery at Peyrouzet by cutting off its water supply. His courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

R--Warren, Ohio.,
B--Brookline, Mass.

Secretary of the Navy.

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Signed OCT 29 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN JACQUES G. FULLER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Assistant Air Defense Officer of the U.S.S. COLORADO in action against enemy Japanese forces in Lingayen Gulf, Philippine Islands, on 9 January 1945. Although painfully wounded when his vessel was damaged by hostile gunfire which killed or wounded many personnel including the Aid Defense Officer, Captain Fuller immediately assumed command of all antiaircraft batteries and made dispositions of personnel that enabled his ship to continue firing against hostile aircraft. In addition, he courageously assisted the more seriously wounded until ordered from his station for urgent medical treatment. By his technical skill and gallant devotion to duty, Captain Fuller upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Elgin, IL
B..St. Louis, MO

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT JOHN G. FULLER, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Platoon Guide of Company B, First Battalion, Twenty-first Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 23 February 1945. When his platoon's advance was halted by heavy fire from three Japanese pillboxes, Sergeant Fuller boldly made his way through sniper fire across forty yards of open terrain to an effectively-placed machine gun whose entire crew had become casualties. Finding the gun inoperable, he quickly repaired it and, putting the weapon into action, succeeded in neutralizing the fire of the three emplacements. By his outstanding courage and determination in the face of intense hostile fire, Sergeant Fuller enabled his platoon to continue the attack. His conduct throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Detroit, Mich.
B-Westbrookville, N. Y.

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN REGAN FULLER, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE.
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while in command of the First Platoon, Company A, First Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division in action against enemy Japanese forces near Mambulo, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on September 24, 1942. In the face of hostile machine gun and rifle fire, Captain Fuller, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, led his platoon in seizing a hill on the right flank of his battalion within seventy-five yards of a heavily armed enemy entrenchment and directed the placing of his mortars and machine guns in the most advantageous position. By his excellent leadership and outstanding devotion to duty, he contributed in great part to the overwhelming defeat of the enemy."

For the President,

/s/ FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

That portion of the above citation underlined in red should not be given either verbally or in writing to any person without the permission of the officer in charge of the Decorations and Medals Division.

R- Washington, D.C.

B- Washington, D.C.

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the GOLD STAR in lieu of a second SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN REGAN FULLER, U. S. MARINE CORPS RESERVE,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Company A, First Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces at Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, during the period September to November, 1942. On the night of October 24, despite continuous and dangerous assaults by a numerically superior Japanese force which was attempting to smash the Lunga defense lines, Captain Fuller daringly commanded his men in devastating counter-attacks and, by his great personal valor and disregard for his own safety, contributed to the rout and virtual annihilation of an entire Japanese regiment. Throughout the entire period that his company was in direct combat with the enemy, Captain Fuller's indomitable fighting spirit and cool, efficient judgment served as an inspiration to the men under his command and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R- Washington, D.C.
B- Washington, D.C.

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE WARREN B. FULLER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Platoon Runner of Company G, Second Battalion, Ninth Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 14 March 1945. During an attack when no rocket launcher men were available because of heavy casualties, Private Fuller voluntarily put a rocket launcher into action and, braving heavy enemy rifle and machine-gun fire, succeeded in destroying a hostile pillbox. When his Platoon Leader and non-commissioned officers were wounded, he assumed command of the platoon and, exposing himself to intense enemy fire to place his men in a defensive position, succeeded in stopping a hostile counterattack. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Martinsville, TX
B..Martinsville, TX

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS MALCOLM D. FUNK,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, Twenty-eighth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 17 March 1945. Proceeding on his own initiative, Private First Class Funk climbed a twenty foot cliff armed with a flame thrower and, approaching a cave which was occupied by a number of enemy troops, ordered them to emerge and surrender. After four of them had come out and were complying with his order to strip, an enemy sniper seriously wounded him, knocking him off the cliff and permitting his captives to flee. Despite his wound, Private First Class Funk climbed the cliff again and stayed there directing the fire of his unit until all of the remaining hostile troops in the area were annihilated. His bold initiative, indomitable fighting spirit and courageous devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Houston, Texas
B--Maran, Kansas

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL EMMETT C. FUQUA,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Tank Bow Gunner of Company C, Fourth Tank Battalion, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces during the assault on enemy-held Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 24 February 1945. After his tank had been penetrated and set on fire by a hit from an enemy anti-tank gun, Corporal Fuqua reentered the burning vehicle in company with a crew member and, despite several successive hits from the same gun, succeeded in evacuating another seriously wounded man and in carrying him back for medical attention, although the tank was ahead of friendly front lines and under enemy small-arms fire. Later, on February 26, when the tank preceding him struck a buried aerial bomb, Corporal Fuqua left his own tank and, despite hostile fire, removed a wounded man to his vehicle and took him to an aid station. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Amarillo, Texas
B--Amarillo, Texas

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The President of the United States takes
pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN W. FURMAN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Fire Team Leader of Company C, First Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces at Peleliu, Palau Islands, on 17 September 1944. Although several near misses from hostile mortars had completely deafened him during an attack, Private First Class Furman boldly continued to lead his men and, when an amphibian tractor which had been supporting the attack was hit by a high explosive shell near the objective, courageously dashed forward under heavy enemy fire to extricate the driver from the burning vehicle. After carrying the wounded driver one hundred yards across a fire-swept area to a position of comparative safety, he fearlessly made his way through a Japanese mortar barrage and rejoined his platoon. By his personal bravery, daring initiative and unselfish devotion to duty in the face of extreme danger, Private First Class Furman upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

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For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Birmingham, Alabama
B--Birmingham, Alabama

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE JACK PURTELL,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Flame Thrower Operator of Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 21 June 1945. Skillfully manning his weapon, Private PurteLL reduced, unaided, a hostile cave position which was holding up the advance of his company. Continuing the attack under heavy hostile rifle fire, he destroyed four additional enemy caves and, on two occasions, assisted in evacuating his wounded comrades. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty under fire were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Mesquite, Texas
B--Mesquite, Texas

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