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

PLATOON SERGEANT CLARK R. KALTENBAUGH,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Scout of Headquarters and Service Company, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces at Cape Gloucester, New Britain, on 22 January 1944. After fearlessly racing across a sandy beach and wading through a river in the face of tremendous enemy barrages while on reconnaissance in the midst of a group of active hostile guns, Platoon Sergeant Kaltenbaugh boldly charged and silenced a heavy Japanese machine gun nest. Although near exhaustion after returning to friendly lines, he revealed valuable information of enemy activity and organized and directed accurate mortar and artillery fire on known enemy positions. By his cool determination and indomitable fighting spirit, Platoon Sergeant Kaltenbaugh contributed essentially to the ultimate success of our forces in destroying the Japanese in this area and his selfless 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--New Florence, Pa.
B--West Wheat Township, Pa.

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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

SECOND LIEUTENANT CLARK R. KALTENBAUGH,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Leader of an Assault Rifle Platoon of Company A, First Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, from 15 to 27 September 1944. Placing himself at the head of his platoon, Second Lieutenant Kaltenbaugh worked his way up and down the front line to lead his men through intense hostile artillery, mortar and machine-gun fire across fourteen hundred yards of open airfield and, reaching the hostile trenches at the far side of the airfield despite heavy casualties, immediately leaped into a trench and personally killed several of the Japanese. When his unit's advance was halted on the night of 25 September, he efficiently maintained fighting morale among his men despite the loss of fifteen Marines from concentrated heavy enemy fire and, courageously leading the unit in numerous assaults on hostile cave positions during the next two days, destroyed several hostile strong points before wounds necessitated his evacuation. By his aggressive leadership and courage, he contributed materially to the capture of a vital airfield from deeply entrenched Japanese forces. 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-New Florence, Pa.

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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

PRIVATE STANLEY KAPLAN, U. S. MARINE CORPS,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

Released
"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity
while a member of the First Marines, First Marine
Division, during action against enemy Japanese
forces on Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on August
18 and 29, and September 2, 1942. When fires were
started in regimental munition dumps and in avi-
ation gasoline dumps, Private Kaplan, unhesitat-
ingly and on his own initiative, risked his life
in the midst of exploding shells and burning gas-
oline drums to fight and control fires, thus
preventing the loss of many lives and much essen-
tial 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 under-
lined 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....Providence, Rhode Island.
B....Valley Falls, Rhode Island.

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

CORPORAL ALBERT J. KARCZEWSKI,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Demolitions Corporal and a Squad Leader of Company L, Third Battalion, Twenty-first Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 10 March 1945. In an engagement requiring the closest of team work between tanks and infantry, Corporal Karczewski capably led his squad and exposed himself many times to extreme danger to direct a tank in point-blank range on the enemy. When his vehicle was knocked out by hostile cannon fire, Corporal Karczewski made a desperate effort to learn the fate of the occupants. Finding that only one man remained alive, but was helpless as a result of wounds, he climbed to the top of the vehicle and, entering through the turret in full view of the enemy who immediately opened fire on him, succeeded in extricating the wounded man and carrying him to a place of safety. 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--Lowell, Mass
B--Lowell, Mass

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

CORPORAL LOUIS S. KAROSI,
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, during operations against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, on 16 September 1944. During an enemy attack just before daybreak, Corporal Karosi continually traversed the defense line of his squad which was being subjected to intense hostile fire in order to direct more effective fire against repeated enemy assaults. Severely wounded during one of the attacks, he refused medical treatment and persistently continued supervise the fire of his group, thereby contributing materially to the repulse of each hostile counter-attack and to the annihilation of many enemy troops. His determination, coolness under fire and courageous leadership reflect great credit on Corporal Karosi and the United States Naval Service."

For the President

/s/ Francis P. Matthews

Secretary of the Navy

R--Youngstown, Ohio
B--Strangford, Pa.

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

CORPORAL RAYMOND H. KARR,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with a Rifle Company of the Second Battalion, Fourth Marines (Reinforced), First Provisional Marine Brigade, Third Amphibious Corps, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, 27 July 1944. Advancing at the head of his squad into a hostile machine-gun emplacement, Corporal Karr annihilated eleven Japanese and an enemy machine gun, thereby enabling his platoon to destroy two other emplacements which were holding up the company's advance. His aggressive fighting spirit and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Corporal Karr and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R Kansas City Kansas
B-Kansas City Kansas

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 14704
Signed

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN J. KASMAN, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Machine Gunner, serving with Company L, Third Battalion, Twenty-fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 19 February 1945. Refusing evacuation after receiving serious wounds during the initial landings, Private First Class Kasman courageously advanced with his squad into the face of heavy fire until his weapon was damaged by enemy machine-gun fire, leaving him in an exposed position without a weapon. Grimly determined, he changed the position of his gun, rapidly repaired it and, renewing his devastating stream of fire, destroyed a hostile machine gun which had been inflicting heavy casualties in his company. By his unselfish, valiant actions, aggressive fighting spirit and loyal devotion to duty, Private First Class Kasman contributed directly to the successful seizure of the strategic high ground near Quarry Number One, thereby reflecting great credit upon himself and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Wheeling, W. Va.
B - Elm Grove, W. Va.

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Serial 11702

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

FIRST LIEUTENANT EDWARD I. KASTERN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Wire Platoon Leader of Signal Company, Headquarters Battalion, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, from 21 July to 10 August 1944. Landing with the Division Advance Message Center under heavy mortar fire, First Lieutenant Kastern fearlessly carried one of his wounded men over approximately one hundred yards of the fire-swept beach to an aid station before proceeding to the Division Command Post where he supervised the installation of the wire system. Subsequently locating the various subordinate command posts, he effected the installation of all wire communications by the early afternoon of D-Day. Undaunted by the enemy's savage tactics when two enlisted men were struck down by hostile mortar shells falling in the vicinity of the Division switchboard on the morning of 22 July, he effectively rendered first aid to the fallen Marines and supervised their prompt evacuation despite the grave personal risk. Consistently alert in his performance of duty, First Lieutenant Kastern skillfully and expeditiously repaired the damage done to vital telephone lines in the command net following a furious Japanese counter-attack and, by his persevering efforts and unflinching technical ability in the face of continuous opposition, maintained the wire communication system at the peak of operational efficiency during critical periods of the action. His alert initiative and gallant fortitude throughout the bitter hostilities were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JOHN L. SULLIVAN

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES IN THE FAR EAST
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

Fort Mills, P. I.

GENERAL ORDERS)

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No. 21) XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

EXTRACT

7 February, 1942.

Awards of Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, War Department, August 8, 1932, the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the Far East, for gallantry in action to the following named officers and enlisted men of the United States Army Forces in the Far East:

ALEXANDER KATCHUCK, Private, Fourth Marines. For gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Corregidor, Philippine Islands, on December 29, 1941. When two men, wounded during the early part of an intense aerial bombardment and strafing attack, were placed in a truck for evacuation to the hospital, and abandoned by the driver at the appearance of a wave of enemy bombers immediately overhead, Private Katchuck volunteered without hesitation to leave his shelter and assist in dispatching the casualties to the hospital. This was accomplished expeditiously and in the face of the hazards of repeated attacks by enemy aircraft. At the hospital, he assisted in locating two medical officers, turned over his casualties, and returned to his post. His gallant action was instrumental in avoiding the possibility of further injury or death to the two wounded marines.

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By command of General MacARTHUR:

R. K. SUTHERLAND,
Major General, GSO,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

CARL H. SEALS,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Adjutant General.

Aw'd by despatch 4-27-42
Filed on case 1740-55-65.

R.....Sacramento, Sacramento Co., California.
B.....New York, New York.

Next of kin: Alexander Coffe (Uncle)
c/o Munson Steamship Lines,
New York, New York.

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address unknown*

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Spot Award.
Serial 90485
Signed Aug. 20, 1943

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

SERGEANT JAMES W. KAUFMAN, U. S. MARINE CORPS,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the First Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces at Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on October 24, 1942. During dangerous assaults against our Lunga defense lines by a numerically superior Japanese force, Sergeant Kaufman, with courageous initiative, located and repaired telephone wire line breaks which threatened to seriously disrupt the battalion's communication system. Fully aware that he was an unprotected target for the weapons of infiltrating enemy groups, he, nevertheless, carried out his voluntary task and, by his prompt, efficient, and heroic action, maintained telephone communications at a critical time during the engagement, thereby enabling his battalion to coordinate its efforts and realize ultimate success in the defeat of the enemy force. 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 - Boswell, Pennsylvania.

B - Boswell, Pennsylvania.

290966
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Spot Award.
Serial 0069
Signed Aug. 20, 1943

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

SERGEANT JAMES W. KAUFMAN, U. S. MARINE CORPS,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity during
action against enemy Japanese forces in the Solomon
Islands on November 8, 1942. While serving as Chief
of a section with the Headquarters Company, First
Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division,
Sergeant Kaufman, when his platoon suffered heavy
casualties under fire from hostile field and machine
guns, bravely exposed himself to vigorous enemy
shelling in order to cut in a telephone line to
headquarters. As a result of his alert presence
of mind and courageous initiative, aircraft and
artillery supporting fire were immediately brought
to bear on Japanese positions, silencing their fire
and inflicting severe casualties."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX.

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Boswell, Pennsylvania.

B - Boswell, Pennsylvania.

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Signed AUG 20 1946

RECEIVED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
ON FEBRUARY 19, 1946, AT WASHINGTON, D.C.
BY THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERT E. KAWELL,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Automatic Rifleman, serving with Company E, Second Battalion, Twenty-Third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 19 February 1945. Acting quickly when intensive machine-gun fire covering the entire zone of action held up his platoon's advance, Private First Class Kawell located the attacking pillbox at the edge of the first enemy airfield and, moving forward from his covered position alone and firing furiously in the face of terrific fire, boldly charged the fortification. Fighting valiantly until he collapsed as a result of fatal wounds, Private First Class Kawell had succeeded in diverting the fire, thereby enabling his platoon to continue the assault and ultimately to destroy the strategic Japanese emplacement. By his resolute fortitude and unwavering devotion to duty, he 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.--Lombard, Illinois
B.--Lombard, Illinois

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WILLIAM T. KAY, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Demolitions Man serving with the First Battalion, Twenty-Ninth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Group, on 22 June 1944. When his company was pinned down by intense fire from a well-emplaced enemy machine gun during its advance against an objective, Private First Class Kay unhesitatingly prepared a demolitions charge and, ordering four comrades to assume advanced positions to cover him, crawled within twelve feet of the Japanese gun position. Although mortally wounded in the ensuing explosion, he succeeded in destroying the emplacement and thereby enabled his company to advance. Private First Class Kay's heroic fighting spirit and vallant disregard for 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--Grand Junction, Colorado
B--Beggs, Oklahoma

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

SECOND LIEUTENANT RAPHAEL E. KEARNE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while attached to the First Battalion, Twenty-third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 19 February 1945. When the need for mortar ammunition became critical on D-Day, Second Lieutenant Kearne braved the hail of enemy artillery and machine-gun fire falling on the assault beaches to obtain the ammunition. Unable to find shore party personnel to call ammunition ashore when he reached the beach, he courageously waded into the heavy surf, obtained an amphibian tractor, drove it forward over the mined beach until it bogged down in the deep sand and then rallied all available personnel to carry the ammunition forward. During the course of the afternoon, he repeatedly traveled from forward positions to the beach in search of ammunition and, although painfully wounded, refused medical attention in order to continue his task. By his initiative, coolness under intense mortar and artillery fire and aggressive fighting spirit, Second Lieutenant Kearne upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

EDWIN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Mobile, Ala.
B-Mobile, Ala.

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Serial 13017
Signed JAN 3 1946

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JAMES J. KEATING,
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 Second Battalion, Twenty-Third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Saipan, Marianas Islands, on 15 June 1944. Sighting a wounded Marine lying helpless in an exposed area during fierce hostilities on D-Day, Private First Class Keating unhesitatingly braved the enemy's concentrated barrage to attempt a rescue and, while performing his perilous mission, was himself fatally struck down by a bursting shell. His daring initiative, outstanding fortitude and grave concern for the safety of another at great personal risk reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Keating and the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for a comrade."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Somerville, Mass.
B--Boston, Mass.

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Serial 35597
Signed

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

ASSISTANT COOK AMOS L. KEEMER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Demolition Man in a Platoon of Company B, Fourth Engineer Battalion, Twenty-fourth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, during action against enemy forces at Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 6 March 1945. When the progress of a friendly adjacent unit was halted by fire from an enemy emplacement, Assistant Cook Keemer voluntarily moved forward beyond the front lines in the face of heavy hostile fire sweeping the area, to place a demolition charge against the fortification. Pressing steadily ahead through the hail of fire, he succeeded in setting the charge which destroyed the Japanese position and was returning to his own lines when killed by an enemy sniper. Assistant Cook Keemer's cool initiative and courageous action resulted in the elimination of a vital hostile strong point, thereby permitting our forces to continue the attack. His conduct throughout reflects the highest 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- Dayton, Ohio
B- Dayton, Ohio

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Serial 2788

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

CORPORAL RUSSELL KEEN, 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 Company B, Fourth Tank Battalion, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Namur Island, Kwajalein Atoll, on 1 February 1944. When a group of Japanese soldiers attacked the exposed crew of a disabled tank, Corporal Keen, fearlessly exposing himself to a hail of hostile fire, maneuvered so that he could protect the tank crew and attract the attention of the enemy with rifle fire and hand grenades. During this action, he and another Marine annihilated twenty-eight Japanese and captured two prisoners. His courageous fighting spirit, exceptional skill and heroic devotion to duty reflected the highest credit upon Corporal Keen and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Wilmington, Delaware

B--Wilmington, Delaware

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16 November 1943.

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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:

ELZY KEES, JR., (322667), Platoon Sergeant, United States Marine Corps, for gallantry in action at Vangunu, Solomon Islands, in personally locating and directing fire against enemy emplacements, and in killing three enemy snipers who were harassing the machine-gun crews of his platoon on 1 July 1943. Home address: Clarke, Louisiana.

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- Clarke, Louisiana

B- Olla, Louisiana.

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Serial 07606
Signed APR 18 1945

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

CAPTAIN RAYMOND F. KEHOE, JR., USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Regimental Communications Officer attached to the Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 16 September 1944. When all communications with an assault battalion were put out of action during a heavy enemy counterattack, Captain Kehoe personally organized and led a repair party under an intense artillery and mortar barrage and, arriving at the source of the trouble, skillfully supervised the repairs, then courageously moved on to inspect radios at the battalion command post where he was mortally wounded by a hostile mortar shell. Captain Kehoe's splendid initiative and expert technical ability enabled the battalion to maintain vital communications with other echelons, thereby assisting materially in stopping the enemy attack. His valiant devotion to duty in the face of grave peril 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'd 22 May 1945 by CO, MB, NYd, New York, with appropriate ceremony to the parents of the late Captain Kehoe, JR., Mr. & Mrs. Raymond F. Kehoe, Sr., 1 Irvington Ave., New Rochelle, NY.

For the President
JAMES FORRESTAL
Secretary of the Navy.

R--New Rochelle, New York.
B--New York, New York.

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

CORPORAL JACK KEININGHAM,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Second Battalion, Sixth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 15 June 1944. Holding his fire until an approaching enemy tank was within ten yards of his foxhole, Corporal Keiningham leaped to his feet, fired an antitank grenade and scored a direct hit on the turret. By his prompt, courageous action in stopping and silencing the hostile tank and assisting in annihilating the enemy personnel attempting to escape, he contributed materially to the saving of many of his comrades' lives. His courage, gallant spirit of service 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 - Bellmead, Tex.

B - Putman, Tex.

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Serial 52954
Signed Jun 23 1947

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HAROLD F. KEISTER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving in a platoon of Company L, Third Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 8 May 1945. With his platoon pinned down by devastating enemy machine-gun and rifle fire emanating from a concealed hostile emplacement, Private First Class Keister unhesitatingly volunteered to conduct a reconnaissance of the area to determine the source of the deadly fire. Moving forward under the intense barrage, he succeeded in locating the strong point and, launching a daring singlehanded attack, killed two crewmen and a Japanese rifleman and forced the remainder of the garrison to withdraw. By his daring initiative, indomitable fighting spirit and dauntless perseverance in the face of tremendous odds, Private First Class Keister contributed to the saving of many lives and to the continued advance of his platoon. His gallant conduct and courageous devotion to duty throughout reflect the highest credit upon himself and the United States Naval Service."

For the President

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Colville, Washington
B--Omak. Washington

SSM, perm. cit. & CMC ltr. was pres. to Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Keister, parents of the late PFC Harold F. Keister on 5 Dec 1947 by CO

USMB USNS, Seattle, Washington

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Serial 0944
Signed SEP 9 1947

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

CAPTAIN ROBERT S. KEITH,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while attached to Company K, Third Battalion, Third Marines, Third Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces in the Piva Forks Area, Bougainville, British Solomon Islands, on 24 November 1943. When the officers of an adjacent company were mortally wounded, Captain Keith assumed command of the men, skillfully reorganizing the unit and establishing a strong point on the battalion's flank. Although he was severely wounded during an engagement with the enemy, he steadfastly refused evacuation, directing his men in repelling Japanese forces attempting to turn the battalion flank and, on several occasions, proceeding beyond the front lines under intense enemy fire to rescue wounded Marines. With his company ordered to another section, Captain Keith, unable to walk as a result of his wounds, dispatched his available men upon their new mission and remained throughout the night with fourteen other wounded men, guarding a trail affording access to our flank positions. Successful in warding off repeated attacks despite continuous harassing sniper fire, he prevented Japanese penetration of his battalion's vital supply lines. By his fearless leadership, indomitable fighting spirit and unwavering devotion to duty in the face of grave danger, Captain Keith contributed to the success of our operations on the strategic island of Bougainville, and his courageous conduct throughout reflects the highest credit upon himself and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Turlock, Calif.
B--Turlock, Calif.

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Serial 35439
Signed NOV 14 1946

CORPORAL EVAN R. KELCHNER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE.

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Squad Leader, serving with Company G, Second Battalion, Fourth Marines, Sixth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 15 April 1945. Determined to eliminate a strategically placed enemy unit which was directing withering cross-fire upon his advancing company, Corporal Kelchner unhesitatingly led his men through the intense machine-gun barrage in an effort to force the retreat of the hostile force and, taking an exposed position, delivered an accurate and continuous volley of fire upon the enemy, thereby covering his company's advance until he himself was struck and instantly killed by a burst of Japanese machine-gun fire. By his aggressive fighting spirit, cool courage and unwavering devotion to duty throughout, Corporal Kelchner rendered valliant service 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,

JAMES FORRESTAL

DELAUNE*

Secretary of the Navy.

H--Emmesburg, Iowa.
H--Curlew, Iowa.

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Serial 752
Signed 8-18-45

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

CAPTAIN DAVID A. KELLEHER, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

“For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while attached to the First Battalion, Tenth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 15-18 June 1944. Perilously close to enemy lines on an exposed portion of the front when Japanese tanks launched fire on his position from all directions, Captain Kelleher braved withering shell and machine-gun fire to operate his radio, maintaining close liaison with forward observers on other sections of the front. Exposing himself fearlessly and with complete disregard of his own personal safety throughout the intense action in which hostile tanks overran the entire area, Captain Kelleher, by his outstanding combat skill and superb courage contributed greatly to the success of our mission in this strategically important island, and his unwavering devotion to duty at the risk of his own life was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.”

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

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Cincpac
Appd SofN 10-25-45
Serial 35000
Signed SEP 26 1946

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

CORPORAL KENNETH L. KELLER,
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 F, Second Battalion, Ninth Marines, Third Marine Division, during action on enemy Japanese-held Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 26 February 1945. During an assault on a heavily fortified enemy position, Corporal Keller directed the fire of his squad while only fifteen yards from the heart of the stronghold and, throwing hand grenades and firing his rifle, moved from position to position in order to observe hostile fortified areas. Repeatedly exposing himself to intense rifle, grenade and mortar barrages for more than three hours, he attacked and destroyed three emplacements and directed his squad in eliminating other positions and killing many of the Japanese. Later, he fought on Airfield Number Two, pressing home the attack against the fanatic enemy until he fell, mortally wounded by hostile small-arms fire. His fearless leadership, daring initiative and dauntless courage were in keeping throughout 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
The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to
CORPORAL KENNETH L. KELLER, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,
for service as set forth in the following

R.--Catlin, Illinois
B.--Danville, Illinois

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DGP-298-dmr

Appd SofN 12-30-48
FMFPac
Serial 46173

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JAMES W. KELLEY,
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 the Forward Observation Team of Battery G, Third Battalion, Fourteenth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, during operations against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, from 23 February to 8 March 1945. Voluntarily assuming the duties of radio operator in a newly formed forward observation section shortly after landing, Private First Class Kelley capably performed these duties until his forward observer officer was wounded and evacuated on 8 March 1945. Although ordered by the officer prior to his evacuation to seek cover from the heavy enemy shelling, he realized that an observer was necessary for the battery which was firing a vital mission in an attempt to halt the hostile mortar fire. Electing to remain, Private First Class Kelley skillfully adjusted the fire of the battery on the Japanese mortar position and aided materially in enabling the group to accomplish its mission. His steadfast 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--Savannah, Ga.
B--Savannah, Ga.

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DGP-298-Navy-RDA

ComGenFMFPac
SPOT
Serial 13017
Signed _____

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

SERGEANT LEO E. KELLEY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving in a Platoon of Company F, Second Battalion, Twenty-third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Saipan, Marianas Islands, on 17 June 1944. Fearlessly risking his life to attempt the rescue of a wounded Marine during a fierce engagement with the Japanese, Sergeant Kelley unhesitatingly crawled through the enemy's withering barrage to the side of his comrade and succeeded in removing him to a defiladed position. With his Platoon Leader a casualty, he immediately assumed the duties of second in command and, by his valiant fighting spirit and daring combat tactics, continued to lead his men in successful attacks against the fanatic Japanese throughout the remainder of the operation. His daring initiative, inspiring leadership and cool and courageous conduct in the face of grave peril were contributing factors in the success of our forces in capturing this vital hostile stronghold and in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Congers, New York.,
B--Suffern, New York.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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DGP-298-ec

F
FMF Pac
SPOT
Serial 79496

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ORLEN C. KELLEY,
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 F, Second Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 11 June 1945. Observing that his unit was pinned down from the right flank by fire from heavily-defended enemy pill-boxes, Private First Class Kelley fearlessly crept forward through intense hostile machine-gun, grenade and mortar fire, destroyed two pill-boxes and killed seven of the enemy, thereby enabling his unit to occupy the ridge which was the battalion objective. 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---Pickering, Missouri

B---Pickering, Missouri

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DGP-298-flm

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CinCPac
Appd SofN 10-24-45
Serial 34910
Signed SEP 24 1946

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

**PRIVATE WALTER A. KELLEY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,**

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company H, Third Battalion, Twenty-Seventh Marines, Fifth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 28 February 1945. Bold and aggressive, Private Kelley fought valiantly during the bitter attack against a heavily armed hostile force deeply entrenched on the commanding ground of Hill Three Sixty-Two and, when a vital telephone wire to the battalion command post was destroyed while consolidating for the night, unhesitatingly volunteered to lay a wire through an area blanketed by the enemy's machine-gun fire. Mortally wounded while accomplishing this mission, Private Kelley, by his unflinching courage and daring initiative in the face of grave peril, rendered valiant service, 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--Page, West Virginia
E--Narrows, Virginia

SSMw/perm cit & CMC ltr delivered to the widow of the late Pvt. Kelley, Mrs. Walter A. Kelley, Rt#1, Box 21-A, Scarbo, W.Va., on 2 Nov 46 informally by the OinC, USMC DHRS, Huntington, W.Va. Appropriate newspapers were informed of presentation.

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CincPac
Appd SofN 1-4-45
Serial 004217
Signed MAR 22 1945

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WILLIAM D. KELLEY, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as member of a patrol serving with the Intelligence Section of the Fourth Marines, Reinforced, First Provisional Marine Brigade, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Guam, Marianas Islands, on 30 July 1944. Dispatched to capture as many prisoners as possible in order to gain vital information. Private First Class Kelley boldly advanced toward an assigned Japanese position. When his platoon was suddenly fired upon from ambush before reaching the objective, he valiantly attempted to rescue a wounded comrade, but was himself wounded by an enemy sniper. Determined in his efforts to reach the fallen Marine, he unhesitatingly continued across the exposed area but was struck down by a second burst of enemy fire. Private First Class Kelley's daring aggressiveness and great personal valor in voluntarily risking his life for another were an inspiration to other members of his patrol and 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--Cloquet, Minn.

B--Onoka Township, Minn.

SSM, cens. copy of cit & ltr fr CMC pres'd 28
Jul by Oinc, USMCCRD, 172 FedOffBldg., Wash. & 2d
7 S., Minneapolis, Minn. to the parents of
late PFC Kelley, Mr. & Mrs. George W. Kelley,
779 E. 6th St., St. Paul, Minn. informally at
station.

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DGP-298-bz

Spot Award
Serial 0854 *Com Sec Alt*
Signed OCT 9 1944

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

CORPORAL EDWIN F. KELLY, USMCR.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while
serving with the First Marine Division in action against enemy
Japanese forces on Cape Gloucester, New Britain, on Decem-
ber 26, 1943. Skillfully leading his group in a vigorous and
determined assault on an enemy pillbox in the face of intense
hostile fire, Corporal Kelly directed his men to advantageous
positions from which they were able to destroy the enemy
emplacement and, courageously calm and efficient, subsequent-
ly returned his comrades safely to their lines. Corporal
Kelly's inspiring leadership and unswerving devotion to duty
were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States
Naval Service."

For the President,

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JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Jersey City, New Jersey.
B - Jersey City, New Jersey.

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Spot Award, 1943
Serial 00192
Signed _____

APR 2 1943

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GEORGE R. KELLY, U. S. MARINE CORPS,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

Released

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity during
action against enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal,
Solomon Islands, on October 25, 1942. When the for-
ward observing party of Battery B, First Battalion,
Eleventh Marines, First Marine Division, occupied a
position in the front lines of the south defense sec-
tor of the Guadalcanal airfield, they came under heavy
fire from an enemy machine gun which has been deeply
emplaced the night before. Since our own small arms
were ineffective against the weapon and its proximity
rendered employment of artillery dangerous to our own
troops, Private First Class Kelly and another Marine,
armed with hand grenades, crawled toward the hostile
gun while it was still firing over their heads and
succeeded in silencing it. His courageous initiative,
maintained at great personal 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.

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to any person without
the permission of the
officer in charge of
the Decorations and
Medals Division.

R...Burlington, Vermont

B...Burlington, Vermont

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Cincpac
App. SofN 7-12-45
Serial 31864
Signed FEB 7 1946

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

SECOND LIEUTENANT HENRY J. KELLY, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Leader of a Rifle Platoon attached to the Second Battalion, Twenty-Fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands Area, on 19 February 1945. A forceful leader, Second Lieutenant Kelly boldly advanced ahead of his platoon in a determined effort to wipe out an enemy pill-box which was causing heavy casualties among his men and, courageously pressing forward alone in the face of slashing enemy machine-gun fire, gave battle to the defending Japanese garrison with unrelenting fury until struck down by a savage burst of hostile fire. Stouthearted and indomitable, Second Lieutenant Kelly, by his heroic example, had inspired his platoon to carry on the attack which resulted in the destruction of the enemy strong point and his fearless initiative, daring tactics and unyielding devotion to duty 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 H. HANCOCK

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Waltham, Mass.

E--

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DGP-298-rtt

ComGenFMFPac Ser 45500
Signed _____

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

GUNNERY SERGEANT JACK F. KELLY
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Commander of a Flame Thrower Tank with Company C, Fifth Tank Battalion, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 14 March 1945. After receiving wounds in the right leg from fragments of metal when a shape charge was placed on his tank Gunnery Sergeant Kelly refused to be evacuated since he alone knew the exact location of enemy installations in a pocket of resistance that was holding up the advance of our infantry. Although suffering severely, he refueled his flame gun three times and made three successive trips into the pocket of resistance, allowing himself to be evacuated only after the resistance had been neutralized and our troops had occupied the position for which they had been fighting for several days. His perseverance, 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--Los Angeles, Cal.
B--Los Angeles, Cal.

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DGP-298-ebg

ComGenFMFPac Ser. 00436-45
Signed _____

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

PRIVATE JACK L. KELLY,
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, Fifth Marine, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 15 September 1944. During a hostile tank counterattack, Private Kelly bravely left the security of his foxhole and, completely exposing himself to the enemy fire, ran up to a Japanese tank and hurled a hand grenade into its open turret, destroying all occupants and putting the vehicle out of action. By his outstanding courage, he contributed greatly to the repulse of the hostile attack, 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--Port Republic, N. J.

B-- Cornoune, Puede Dome, France

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DGP-298-cbh

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Appd SofN 9-20-45.
Serial 031628
Signed AUG 12 1946

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

SERGEANT JAMES J. KELLY,
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, Fifth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, on 10 May 1945. Courageously disregarding all personal danger, Sergeant Kelly advanced alone in the face of furious enemy machine-gun and mortar fire to reconnoiter a position for his machine guns, from which accurate overhead fire in support of the attacking infantry could be delivered. After reaching high ground and determining the necessary positions, he returned to his men, ordered them to remain under cover and advanced forward of the lines a second time in order to dig emplacements for his weapons. Repeatedly exposing himself to the savagely increased hostile opposition, he continued his valiant efforts until he fell, mortally wounded. By his outstanding initiative, cool decision and unselfish performance of duty despite grave hazards, Sergeant Kelly upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life in the service of his country."

SSMW/perm cit & CMC ltr presented to the prnts of the late Sgt. Kelly, Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Kelly, at an appropriate ceremony on 29 Oct 46 by the CincUSMC DHRS, Newark, N.J. For the President, JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Plainfield, New Jersey.
B--Plainfield, New Jersey.

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Cincpac
AppdSofN 3-4-46
Serial 031843
Signed MAY 26 1947

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

SERGEANT RICHARD KELLY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Leader of a Rifle Squad, serving with Company F, Second Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 4 May 1945. At the height of an attack on a heavily defended enemy village, Sergeant Kelly perceived that the right flank of his company was seriously threatened by an enemy machine-gun nest and, coolly and courageously exposing himself to intense enemy fire, attempted to locate and destroy the source of the barrage. Although seriously wounded as he proceeded toward the objective, Sergeant Kelly persevered with heroic effort and succeeded in destroying the position and in killing six of the enemy, thereby enabling his company to continue the attack. His dauntless initiative and unwavering determination throughout served as an inspiration to his men and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

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R--Fargo, North Dakota.
B--Cottonwood, Minnesota.

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AW-298-elb

Spot Award, 1943
Serial 00192
Signed Apr 2 1943

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS RICHARD. J. KELLY, U. S. 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, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on October 9, 1942. While dangerously exposed to hostile fire, Private First Class Kelly, in company with a comrade, set out to carry a wounded Marine from the point of his injury to a position of safety about a hundred yards distant. When they were almost within reach of their objective, his companion was struck and killed by enemy fire. Undeterred by the hazardous possibility of a similar fate, Private First Class Kelly courageously persisted in his original mission until he eventually succeeded in dragging the wounded Marine and the body of his dead comrade behind a protective ridge. His heroic conduct, 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--Saginaw, Michigan
B--Conneaut, Ohio

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DGP-298-db

FMF Pac
SPOT
Serial 98716
Signed _____

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

CORPORAL ROY R. KELLY,
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, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 26 May 1945. Assigned the mission of supplying protection for a mine-laying detail, Corporal Kelly courageously led his squad well forward of the front lines and engaged the enemy in a fierce fire fight. Although he and other members of his squad were wounded, he maintained excellent control among his men throughout the action and refused to be evacuated until the other wounded had been removed to a place of safety. By his leadership, heroism and devotion to duty, Corporal Kelly upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President

JOHN L SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Wichita, Kansas
B--Orienta, Oklahoma

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ComGenFMFPac Ser. 00436-45
Signed_____

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS THOMAS J. KELLY, 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 an Assault Platoon of Company G, Second Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, on 15 September 1944. Although seriously wounded four times when his platoon was attacking an enemy-held airport under intense artillery, mortar and small-arms fire, Private First Class Kelly dragged a wounded comrade twenty yards out of the line of automatic fire to the protection of a shell hole and applied first aid until a corpsman came forward and attended both wounded men. 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-Albany, N.Y.
B-W. Albany, N.Y.

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23 November 1943

GENERAL ORDERS)

No. . . . 429)

Awards of the Silver Star.Section II.

II. 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:

FRANK A. KEMP, Jr., First Lieutenant, United States Marine Corps, for gallantry in action at New Georgia, Solomon Islands, while aggressively leading his company in a furious exchange of rifle fire with superior Japanese forces with such success that heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy driving them from three defensive positions on 20 July 1943. Home address: 300 Clermont S treet, Denver, Colorado.

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-- Denver, Colorado
B-- Denver, Colorado 5-10-21

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FmFPac Spot Ser. 41643
Signed FEB 10 1946

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

CAPTAIN DONALD J. KENDALL, JR.,
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, Twenty-fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 15 March 1945. Assuming command of a company as a Replacement Officer when it was engaged in fierce combat, Captain Kendall reorganized the company and, two days later, led it in the attack over open ground through heavy enemy mortar, machine-gun and rifle fire. Courageously braving the hostile fire in order to encourage his men, he inspired them to their best efforts and attained the objective for the day. His gallant leadership and aggressive fighting spirit were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R. Wilewater, Va.
B. Wash. D. C.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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

FIRST LIEUTENANT FRED J. KENDALL,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Executive Officer of Company B, First Battalion, Twenty-fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 15 June 1944. When the group he had been leading in an attack against the enemy was pinned down by hostile small-arms fire and was in imminent danger of being fired upon by friendly tanks approaching from the rear, First Lieutenant Kendall courageously exposed himself to the rain of enemy fire to move out a distance of approximately fifty yards to the front of the friendly tanks and inform them of the position of his units. His fearlessness, 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.

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Cincpac
Appd SofN 10-2-45
Serial 35300
Signed AUG 12 1946

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

CAPTAIN FRED J. KENDALL,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Company B, First Battalion, Twenty-Fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Iwo Jima in the Volcano Islands, on 9 March 1945. After his line had been held up for two days by strong, well entrenched hostile troops, Captain Kendall led his company through a withering hail of hostile automatic and small-arms fire in a jump attack which went well until, after moving a hundred yards, the right platoon was pinned down by a pocket of resistance containing over twenty Japanese. With complete disregard for his own safety, he personally took command of this platoon and led it in an assault against the enemy position in the face of a shattering barrage, aiding in killing twenty-two of the enemy and destroying four of their machine guns before he was himself struck down. By his courage and inspiring leadership, Captain Kendall enabled his battalion to continue the attack to its objective 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,

JAMES FORRESTAL
Secretary of the Navy.

R.--Carlisle, Kentucky

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APO #502

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20 December 1943.

GENERAL ORDERS)

NO. 516)

Awards of the Silver Star

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111. 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:

JOHN R. KENDALL, First Lieutenant, United States Marine Corps Reserve, for gallantry in action at New Georgia, Solomon Islands, from 5 July to 28 August 1943. Throughout this period Lieutenant Kendall aggressively led many reconnaissance patrols at great personal risk, accurately located enemy positions at Bairoko Harbor, and successfully led a food carrying party through Japanese patrolled territory when a portion of the friendly forces had been on reduced rations for days.

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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Cincpac
Appd BofN 11-1-45
Serial 35585
Signed NOV 14 1946

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DONALD L. KENDRICK,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Leader of a Rifle Squad on Company F, Second Battalion, Twenty-fourth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces of Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 6 March 1945. Determined to continue the advance when his squad was pinned down by intense and accurate machine-gun and rifle fire from well-concealed hostile positions, Private First Class Kendrick repeatedly exposed himself in order to attract enemy fire and determine the Japanese positions. Delivering his deadly rifle fire upon the targets thus located, he accounted for ten enemy dead, and then directed the firing of two rocket launcher teams against heavily-fortified Japanese pillboxes. Struck down, fatally wounded, as he fought to further his company's advance, Private First Class Kendrick, by his initiative and devotion to duty, had rendered valiant service 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 Navy.

R--Racepond, Georgia
B--Racepond, Georgia

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DGP-298-cs

Spot Award
Serial 2761
Signed OCT 19 1943

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

MAJOR WILLIAM A. KENGLA, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

Released "For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of the ~~Third~~ ^{Marine} Battalion, ~~Sixth~~ ^{Marines, Reinforced}, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, January 19, 1943. When his battalion, attacking west along the Coast Road, suddenly encountered withering and demoralizing fire from concealed enemy forces, Major Kengla, with inspiring leadership and utter disregard for his own personal safety, directed the extremely hazardous and laborious advance of his troops in the face of desperate hostile resistance. Dislodging the Japanese from their strong positions in the heavily camouflaged, narrow caves which had been dug into the sides of steep cliffs and ravines to serve as gun emplacements, his command was responsible for the complete destruction or forced retreat of the enemy. Major Kengla's heroic conduct and valiant devotion to duty throughout the entire engagement contributed greatly to the success of this vital mission and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

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

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Spot Award
Serial 891
Signed SEP 24 1943

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

GUNNERY SERGEANT JOHN E. KENNEDY, USMC.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the First Marine Raider Battalion during action against enemy Japanese forces on Tulagi, Solomon Islands, August 7, 1942. When three men of his platoon were seriously wounded by enemy machine-gun fire, Gunnery Sergeant Kennedy, without regard for his own personal safety, courageously rushed the Japanese position and, with accurate use of hand grenades, neutralized the effectiveness of the hostile fire. His outstanding heroism was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
FRANK KNOX
Secretary of the Navy.

R - Pittsburgh, Pa.

B - Punxsutawney, Pa.

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Serial 46924

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

MAJOR WILLIAM H. KENNEDY, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of the First Battalion, Twenty-seventh Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 15 March 1945. Although suffering from a wound inflicted by the enemy three days previous, Major Kennedy coolly directed and encouraged his assault units, which had been greatly disorganized by casualties and replacements and were near exhaustion from six days of fighting. By his aggressive leadership, he inspired his men not only in the seizure of a heavily-defended ridge to their immediate front but in advancing an additional two hundred yards to take a ridge that dominated the entire northeastern part of the Island. His courageous fighting spirit and tactical judgment were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Pine Bluff, Arkansas.,
B--Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

KENNEY, Richard D., Sgt.

277741

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.
GOOLEY, Richard
O'BRIEN, John P., Jr.
KENNEY, Richard D.
BUNN, Evan P.
FREE, Edward G.

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First Lieutenant
Supply Sergeant
Platoon Sergeant
Sergeant
Private First Class
Private First Class

CURTIS T. BEECHER

R.....Chicago, Illinois.
B.....Chicago, Illinois.

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Spot Award
Serial 0556
Signed SEP 14 1944

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

CORPORAL THOMAS P. KENNY, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while
serving with the Third Marine Division during action against
enemy Japanese forces in the Cape Torokina Area, Bougain-
ville, Solomon Islands, on December 17, 1943. Voluntarily
risking his life in the face of withering hostile machine-gun
and mortar fire, Corporal Kenny boldly proceeded to within
thirty yards of enemy lines to render first aid to a seriously
wounded Marine during a fierce engagement against a strong
Japanese position. Skillfully treating his injured comrade,
he quickly carried him to a less exposed position, remaining
there with him until it was safe to return to the forward aid
station. Corporal Kenny's splendid initiative, courageous
determination and great personal valor in the face of grave
peril contributed materially to the saving of a life and were
in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States
Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Sacramento, California.
B - Omaha, Nebraska.

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Serial 45501 DEC 9 1947

Signed-----

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

PLATOON SERGEANT JAMES E. KENT,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Mortar Sergeant of Company B, First Battalion, Twenty seventh Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 28 February 1945. Learning that one of his company's platoons had lost its leader and was pinned down in a draw covered by intense sniper and machine-gun fire, Platoon Sergeant Kent immediately moved forward under heavy fire to organize and withdraw the platoon. Wounded by sniper fire while moving the platoon to the rear, he continued to direct the withdrawal until all the men were out of the draw and, moving the men forward, rejoined his company where he was ordered to the battalion aid station. His courage and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Platoon Sergeant Kent and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R-Clay Center, Kansas
B-Atlanta, Kansas

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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DGP-298-dmr

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SPOT
Serial 8631
Signed _____

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

FIRST LIEUTENANT ORRELL F. KENT,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Platoon Leader of the Second Tank Battalion, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Tinian, Marianas Islands, 31 July 1944. When the advance of a rifle platoon had been stopped, First Lieutenant Kent brought forward a platoon of tanks to destroy the Japanese position. Opening the turret of his tank, he voluntarily exposed himself to direct his tanks to better advantage. Later that same day, when another platoon was held up by an enemy machine gun, he rode on the front of his tank in the face of intense hostile fire, thereby gaining better vision of the enemy emplacement, which he speedily destroyed. By his aggressive fighting spirit and courageous devotion to duty, he contributed materially to the success of the campaign, and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Columbia, Mississippi
B--New Orleans, Mississippi

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296124
DGP-298-cs

Spot Award
Serial 1441
Signed OCT 28 1943

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROY A. KENT, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action while serving with the First Marines, First Marine Division, during an engagement with enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on September 14, 1942. When his platoon, after a series of fierce enemy attacks, had suffered seventy per cent casualties and was disrupted by strenuous close combat, Private First Class Kent's left hand was rendered almost useless by a hostile bullet. Although suffering acutely, he courageously held his exposed position and continued to counter the vicious assaults of the Japanese with hand grenades until, completely exhausted, he was removed from action. Later in the day, he rejoined his company in the front lines and, despite his injured hand, persistently fought off the enemy with an automatic weapon. His bravery, skill 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 - Thomaston, Georgia.

B - Thomaston, Georgia.

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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

PRIVATE MARK D. KENTFIELD, U. S. MARINE CORPS,
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 Guadal-
canal, Solomon Islands, on August 18 and 29, 1942.
When fires were started in the regimental munitions
dump, Private Kentfield, unhesitatingly and on his
own initiative, risked his life in the midst of ex-
ploding 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 Navy.

R--Bowling Green, Ohio
B--Lovell, Ohio

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any person without the permission of the officer in
charge of the Decorations and Medals Division.

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Serial 8600
Signed _____

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

PLATOON SERGEANT EDMUND F. KEOUGH,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Platoon Sergeant of Company G, Second Battalion, Twenty-second Marines, Sixth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces at Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 13 May 1945. During the assault of a strongly defended enemy ridge near Sugar Loaf Hill, Platoon Sergeant Keough, realizing that his platoon's advance was held up by fire from a hostile machine gun emplacement, voluntarily braved the enemy fire and charged into the enemy position head-on. Firing an automatic rifle, he killed two of the enemy and destroyed the emplacement as a source of fire, thereby enabling his platoon to continue the advance. By his indomitable fighting spirit and courageous devotion to duty, Platoon Sergeant Keough upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Tauntan, Massachusetts.
B--Tauntan, Massachusetts.

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Serial 45782 DEC 10 1947
Signed-----

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

FIRST LIEUTENANT LYMAN E. KEOWN,
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 B, Tenth Amphibious Tractor Battalion, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on the night of 19 February 1945. Volunteering to deliver urgently needed supplies to an assault regiment, First Lieutenant Keown led his amphibian tractor through an enemy mine field which had not been cleared or marked and, upon reaching his objective, was subjected to a concentrated hostile artillery attack which either killed or wounded five of his men and scattered the unloading detail. Braving Japanese fire, he coolly and efficiently directed and assisted in the unloading of supplies, refusing to take cover until his mission was completed. Still under hostile fire, he led his men back through the same mine field to the beach where the wounded were immediately evacuated to a hospital ship. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R-Chicago Ill.
BpParma Mo.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 79499

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JAMES R. KERIN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company B, First Battalion, Twenty-seventh Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 28 February 1945. Assuming the responsibility for protecting the left flank of his company during an attack against a hostile strong point, Private First Class Kerin courageously led his squad forward in the face of intense small-arms and machine-gun fire to an area seventy-five yards forward of friendly lines and deployed them in effective positions from which they could accomplish their mission. While his company was attacking, he armed himself with several hand grenades in addition to his own weapon and boldly directed an assault against a hostile machine-gun position which was inflicting heavy casualties on the opposite flank of the company, continuing until wounded and evacuated in the course of this action. Private First Class Kerin materially aided his company in securing its objective. His courageous initiative and unwavering devotion to duty 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--Mt. Vernon, Ohio
B--Mt. Vernon, Ohio

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Serial 100638
Signed FEB 18 1948

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

MAJOR JOHN R. KERMAN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity
as Operations Officer of the First Battalion, Fourth
Marines, Sixth Marine Division, in action against
enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands,
21 June 1945. Directed to supervise the closing
of a gap between his battalion and the battalion
on its left and to coordinate the defensive fires
of the two groups for the night, Major Kerman coura-
geously led a reconnaissance party in determining
the exact limits of the gap. When he and his party
were subjected to enemy fire at close range from
a well-concealed position and were forced to take
cover, he observed that a wounded officer of his
group had failed to reach safety and was lying
wounded in an exposed area. Despite the extreme
peril, Major Kerman fearlessly left cover and brought
him to safety. Later, after directing a relieving
patrol in destroying the hostile emplacement, he
continued on his mission and, in the face of further
enemy resistance, succeeded in closing the gap be-
fore nightfall. By his determination, fortitude
and devotion to duty, Major Kerman upheld the highest
traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

R--Pasadena, Calif.,
B--Evanston, Ill.

Secretary of the Navy.

KERNS, James H., Sgt.

256886 USMCR

Silver Star (Army) ✓

Letter of Commendation (Army)

Awarded by despatch 4-27-42 filed on case 1740-55-65
Service at Ph. Is.

Previous Awards: None

Born: St. Ignatius, Montana 6-14-14

Current Enl. Tacoma, Washington 1-12-37 (Enl. Extended)

Legal Residence: Bellingham, Washington

Next of kin: Wife - Mrs. Eleanor H. Kerns,
1215 Donovan Ave.,
Bellingham, Washington.

HEADQUARTERS
PHILIPPINE COAST ARTILLERY COMMAND
FORT MILLS, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

GENERAL ORDERS)

14 April, 1942.

Number.....24)

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, August 8, 1932, the Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded by the Commanding General, Philippine Coast Artillery Command, to the following-named officer and enlisted men for gallantry in action, to be worn with the Silver Star previously awarded each, as indicated:

EUGENE O. HAYNES, 279813, Corporal, Company F, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P. I. Corporal HAYNES is authorized to wear the Oak Leaf Cluster with his Silver Star (awarded by General Orders No. 21, Headquarters Philippine Coast Artillery Command, 6 April, 1942), in recognition of the following act of gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, on April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Corporal HAYNES, without regard for his personal safety voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in, and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work. Place of residence: St. Joseph, Missouri.

WILLIAM N. McCORMACK, 278612, Corporal, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P. I. Corporal McCORMACK is authorized to wear the Oak Leaf Cluster with his Silver Star (awarded by General Orders No. 21, Headquarters Philippine Coast Artillery Command, 6 April, 1942), in recognition of the following act of gallantry at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, on April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Corporal McCORMACK, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in, and aided in digging out the trapped men.

HOUSTON L. DAVIS, 219708, Platoon Sergeant, Company F, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P. I. For gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in

a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Platoon Sergeant DAVES, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work.

JOHN R. BREEZE, 263592, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P.I. For gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping men therein, Sergeant BREEZE, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in, and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work.

URI L. HUCKABAY, Jr., 268087, Sergeant, Company F, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P.I. For gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Sergeant HUCKABAY, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in, and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work.

JAMES H. KERNS, 256886, Sergeant, Company H, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P.I. For gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Sergeant KERNS, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work.

EUGENE M. KOHLMAN, 290300, Corporal, Headquarters Company, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P. I. For gallantry in action

at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Corporal KOHLMAN, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave, and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work.

MIKE WINTERMAN, 271428, Corporal, Company H, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P. I. For gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, corporal WINTERMAN, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work.

JOHN F. RAY, 291572, Assistant Cook, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P.I. For gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Assistant Cook RAY, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in, and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs during the rescue work.

3. Pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 11, Army Regulations 600-45, August 8, 1932, the following-named officer and enlisted men are hereby awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, on April 13, 1942:

RAYMOND C. McQUILLIAM, 279663, Corporal, Fourth Marines.

"J" R. TOWNSDIN, 295763, Private First Class, Fourth Marines.

4. Pursuant to the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, August

8, 1932, the following-named officers and enlisted men are hereby awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, on April 14, 1942:

5. The following-named enlisted man is entitled to wear an Oak Leaf Cluster on the Purple Heart heretofore awarded him, for wounds received in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, on April 14, 1942:

By command of Major General MOORE:

OFFICIAL:

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

/s/ L. J. BOWLER,
L. J. BOWLER,
Colonel, C.A.C.,
Acting Adjutant General.

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OF CORP. EUGENE O. HAYNES 279813) (7-5-49)

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Serial 6068
Signed JAN 28 1948

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EUGENE O. KESINGER,
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, Eighth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 1 July 1944. When an adjacent rifle platoon was pinned down by enemy machine-gun fire coming from his platoon's front, Private First Class Kesinger voluntarily crossed an open space swept by hostile fire to reach the adjacent platoon and determine the position of the enemy weapon holding up the advance and, although wounded while returning to his own platoon, contacted his platoon leader and gave him the desired information, thereby contributing directly to the destruction of the hostile gun. His courage and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Kesinger and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Greenfield, Ill.,
B--Wrights, Ill.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Signed _____

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

FIRST LIEUTENANT JOSEPH B. KESSEL,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Staff Liaison Officer of Company C, First Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 7 March 1945. Assuming command of a company after all the officers and nearly all the the senior non-commissioned officers had been killed or wounded on the afternoon of 6 March, First Lieutenant Kessel personally consolidated the company's defensive position for the night in the face of intense enemy small-arms fire. When the advance of his company was stopped during a coordinated attack on a hostile strong point the following morning, he courageously exposed himself to the Japanese small-arms fire to direct the fire of his own artillery on enemy guns which were impeding the forward movements of his company as well as menacing the main supply route to the rear. His 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-Baldwin, N. Y.
E-Brooklyn, N. Y.

291775
DGP-298-egc

App'd SoIN 7-7-44
Serial 00772
Signed AUG 5 1944

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

SERGEANT MAXIE E. KESSLER, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a rifle squad leader serving with the Third Marine Division in action against enemy Japanese forces at Piva Forks, Bougainville, Solomon Islands, on November 20, 1943. Leading his squad in a daring assault on a strongly defended Japanese position located in dense jungle undergrowth and realizing that immediate action must be taken to prevent annihilation of his men by the heavy enemy machine-gun fire, Sergeant Kessler unhesitatingly arose from cover, called upon the squad to follow him and charged directly into the hostile position, killing the crew of one machine gun and disrupting the coordination of the enemy's fire. Although he was killed during the attack, his inspiring leadership and great courage enabled his comrades to destroy two other guns in the Japanese line and reach the assigned objective, thereby clearing the way for the advance of the platoon. Sergeant Kessler's brilliant initiative and heroic 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,

/s/ JAMES FORRESTAL
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Louisville, Kentucky
B--Green County, Kentucky

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Serial 37370
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Signed MAR 3 1947

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JAMES H. KIDWELL,
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 I, Third Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 22 February 1945. When an extremely heavy mortar and artillery barrage halted his platoon's advance, Private First Class Kidwell daringly crawled forward of the front lines and, despite constant exposure to enemy fire, succeeded in dragging a wounded comrade into a shell hole. Realizing the urgency of more technical medical aid than he could administer, he again braved the intense shelling and carried the wounded Marine to the aid station. By his gallant act, performed in the face of grave danger, Private First Class Kidwell saved the life of a comrade, and his exceptional courage and loyal 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--Indianapolis, Indiana,
B--Indianapolis, Indiana.

020029
DGP-298-ebg

BDAWDSMTG Ser. 1713
Signed _____

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

FIRST LIEUTENANT CAROL C. KIEL,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Supply Officer of the Second Battalion, Twenty-fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 19 February 1945. When the movement of vehicles, carrying needed ammunition from the beach to the front lines was held up by an extensive mine field, First Lieutenant Kiel courageously walked through the hazardous area attempting to lead an amphibian truck to our advance troops. Although the vehicle was stopped when it ran over a mine, he returned to the beach, led another one through the field to the first truck and unloaded ammunition from one to the other, thereby making possible the supply of vital ammunition to the front lines. Later that night, when a large enemy counterattack was expected in the absence of an organized shore party, he directed boats into the beach by signalling them with a flashlight and supervised their unloading. First Lieutenant Kiel's courage and devotion to duty under intense enemy 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-Woodhaven, N. Y.
B-Brooklyn, N. Y.

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DGP-298-pmb

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SPOT
Ser. 42750

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

CORPORAL THOMAS KIERNAN,
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 and later as a Squad Leader of Company K, Third Battalion, Twenty-third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, from 19 February to 8 March 1945. By his capable leadership, Corporal Kiernan inspired his men time and again to attack enemy positions and personally volunteered many times to go on patrols, successfully accomplishing each mission. On the morning of 7 March, he crawled alone over a small rugged ridge under enemy machine-gun fire and destroyed with hand grenades a hostile machine gun and five Japanese personnel who were holding up the advance of friendly troops. His initiative, cool 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--N.Y., N.Y.,
B--Glasgow, Scotland.

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DGP-298-vml

FMFPac
SPOT.
Serial 98717
Signed _____

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

FIRST LIEUTENANT THOR H. KIILSGAARD,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Executive Officer of Company B, First Engineer Battalion, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 17 May 1945. When the advance of a tank-led infantry attack was halted by intense enemy artillery, mortar and small-arms fire, necessitating the construction of a tank by-pass around a demolished bridge, First Lieutenant Kiilsgaard volunteered to make a reconnaissance to find a route of approach and site for the tank by-pass. Advancing in front of the lines into the draw and locating the approach and site, he returned to the rear and led an armored bulldozer and demolitions men to the site, supervising the work for two hours despite the intense hostile fire. When the by-pass was completed, the tanks were able to advance and the infantry accomplished its mission. By his leadership, skill and courageous devotion to duty, First Lieutenant Kiilsgaard upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Moscow, Idaho.,
B--Honeyville, Utah.

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CG, FMF, Pac
Serial 11756
Appd SofN 4-19-45
Signed AUG 29 1945

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS NORMAN J. KIJEWski, USMCR.,

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-Third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Saipan, Marianas Islands, on 8 July 1944. With his company pinned down by heavy enemy machine-gun and rifle fire during an attack against a vital Japanese-held ridge, Private First Class Kijewski voluntarily risked his life to attempt the rescue of a fallen Marine lying in the fire-swept area ahead of our lines and, fearlessly pressing forward under the intense barrage, crossed the open fire-swept area and brought the wounded man to safety. By his daring initiative, personal valor and self-sacrificing efforts on behalf of another, Private First Class Kijewski saved the life of a man who otherwise might have perished and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Buffalo, N. Y.

B--Cheektowaga, N. Y.

BSM, pers oit, ltr fr CMC pres by Cinc, Buffalo, N. Y. 1-3-46 to the parents of the late PFC Kijewski, Mr and Mrs Peter Kijewski. Inf pres.

461431
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 EDWARD G. KILLIAN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Automatic Rifleman of Company B, First Battalion, Twenty-first Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, the night of 25-26 July 1944. Making a heroic stand with three wounded comrades when his automatic rifle position was cut off during a determined hostile counterattack, Private First Class Killian observed an enemy force led by an officer advancing to attack his position and, opening fire on the hostile group, succeeded in killing at least ten of the enemy and in wounding their officer. When the wounded officer sprang on him unexpectedly as he reloaded his gun, Private First Class Killian boldly engaged him in a bitter struggle and, although he suffered a painful cut on the wrist, killed the Japanese officer with the butt of his rifle. After assisting the three wounded Marines to a place of safety at daybreak, he voluntarily participated in a counterattack which restored the lines of his company. His courage, initiative and unselfish devotion to duty throughout were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

B - Toledo, Ohio
R - Rossford, Ohio.

040473
DGP-298-Navy-RDA

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SPOT
Serial 65541
Signed_____

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

SECOND LIEUTENANT ORLAND B. KILLIN,
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, Sixth Tank Bat-
talion, Sixth Marine Division, in action against
enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands,
10 June 1945. When his tank and a flame thrower
tank were taken under fire by a hostile eight-
inch gun, Second Lieutenant Killin observed that
the avenue for escape was adequate for the passage
of only one tank at a time and, realizing the
vulnerability of the flame thrower vehicle, ordered
it to precede him to a covered position. Although
wounded when his tank received two direct hits
which killed his gunner and set his tank on fire,
he made a desperate attempt to rescue the gunner
from the flaming vehicle despite the continuing
enemy fire. When a near miss blew him out of the
tank, he tried vainly to remount until he was
forcibly dragged away by another crewman. Second
Lieutenant Killin's 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-Seattle, Wash.,
B-Spokane, Wash.

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DGP-298-rkz

Cincpac
Appd SofN 11-1-45
Serial 86283
Signed OCT 14 1946

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

PRIVATE PAUL G. KILLINGSWORTH,
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 K, Third Battalion, Twenty-third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 12 March 1945. Fearlessly risking his life when he saw his platoon leader fall under withering Japanese machine-gun and rifle fire, Private Killingsworth unhesitatingly pressed forward in the face of the hostile barrage, threw a smoke grenade to cover his position and, picking up the wounded man, carried him within a few yards of his own lines. Although mortally wounded by an enemy sniper when the smoke grenade burned out, Private Killingsworth, by his cool presence of mind and unflinching courage, had saved the life of one who otherwise might have perished, and his unwavering 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 FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Long Beach, California.
B--Collins, Missouri.

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DGP-298-ec

FMFPac
SPOT
Serial 6112

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

CORPORAL CHARLES E. KILLMAN,
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, Sixth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 29 June 1944. When the narrow ridge occupied by his company was subjected to an intense hostile mortar and machine gun barrage preparatory to an attack by enemy forces, Corporal Killman bravely exposed himself repeatedly to watch and report the direction and progress of the Japanese advance. Establishing communication with his company's 60-mm. mortar section, he skillfully directed extremely effective fire against hostile troop concentrations, thereby contributing materially to the successful repulse of the attack. 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

Secretary of the Navy.

R---Elgin, Illinois

B---Jackson County, Illinois

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SPOT
Serial 41646
Signed _____ JAN 22 1948

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN I. KILNER, 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 B, First Battalion, Twenty-fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 19 February 1945. When his platoon was pinned down by accurate fire from a concrete strong point, Private First Class Kilner voluntarily crawled forward and, despite the intense barrage, directed a burst of fire into the port of the hostile emplacement. Closing in for the final assault, he threw several hand grenades at the objective, killing all occupants of the emplacement and contributing materially to his unit's advance in that sector. By his courage and devotion to duty, he upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Baltimore, Maryland.,
B--Baltimore, Maryland.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

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FMFPac
SPOT
Serial 8631
Signed _____

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LAWRENCE C. KIMBALL,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Member of a Combat Patrol of the Second Battalion, Eighth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Tinian, Marianas Islands, 20 August 1944. When the combat patrol was ambushed by an enemy force and received severe casualties, Private First Class Kimball voluntarily went to the aid of a seriously wounded comrade although the patrol was continually taking heavy, close-range enemy rifle fire. Turned back once in his rescue mission, he succeeded in his second attempt to reach the wounded man and, determining that the wound had been fatal, retrieved the dead man's rifle, ammunition and other gear, bringing them back to our lines to prevent their use by the Japanese against our forces. His gallant fighting spirit and courageous devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Kimball and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Willoughby, Ohio.
B--Cleveland, Ohio.

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DGP-298-Navy-RDA

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SPOT
Serial 87263
Signed FEB 27 1946

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the GOLD STAR in lieu of the Second Silver Star Medal to

SERGEANT LAWRENCE C. KIMBALL,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Platoon Guide of the Second Battalion, Eighth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, on 18 June 1945. Voluntarily going to the aid of a wounded Marine, Sergeant Kimball proceeded across open terrain which was under constant heavy rifle and machine-gun fire and succeeded in removing the wounded man to a place of safety. Skillfully administering first aid, he was in large measure responsible for the eventual recovery of the casualty. 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--Cleveland, Ohio.,
B--Cleveland, Ohio.

Secretary of the Navy.

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Appd SofN 11-21-45
Serial - 032473
Singed OCT 10 1946

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

FIRST LIEUTENANT JACK H. KIMBLE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Leader of a Machine Gun Platoon attached to Company C, First Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces at Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, on 9 May 1945. Valiantly endeavoring to come to the aid of a desperately fighting platoon when its leader was struck down and seriously wounded in an attack upon a strategic hostile position, First Lieutenant Kimble worked his way across an open valley through heavy enemy machine-gun and small-arms fire until forced by the intensity of hostile fire to take cover with a group of wounded Marines and stretcher-bearers. Observing that one of the party lay helpless in a position exposed to the slashing Japanese barrages, he went forward in the face of grave personal danger and succeeded in carrying the wounded man to a position of safety before he himself sustained severe wounds. His cool courage and outstanding devotion to duty throughout were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Greenville, Mississippi
B--Greenville, Mississippi

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

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DGP-298-ec

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FMF Pac
SPOT
Serial 56883

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

PRIVATE VIRGIL D. KIMBLE,
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 Company A, First Battalion, Twenty-first Marines (Reinforced), Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 10 March 1945. Bombarded by several enemy grenades thrown in the direction of his foxhole early on the morning of 10 March, Private Kimble boldly recovered three of the hostile weapons which fell in his midst and succeeded in throwing them all out of the foxhole before they exploded. When a fourth grenade landed in the foxhole and blew off his hand while he was attempting to throw it clear, he coolly accepted first-aid treatment from his two comrades whose lives he had saved and thereafter continued to assist in repelling the enemy. When he was evacuated the following morning, twenty-five of the enemy were found killed in the vicinity of his position. Private Kimble's courageous and unselfish 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--Grand Rapids, Michigan

B--Comstock Park, Michigan

465110
DGP-298-dmr

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Appd SofN
Serial 20681

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

CORPORAL LESTER C. KINCAID,
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-fourth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, on 8 July 1944. When intense hostile fire caused many casualties in his company during its advance along one of the western beaches, Corporal Kincaid went forward to a beach where the Japanese were entrenched and directed effective and accurate mortar fire which resulted in the rout of the enemy and the attainment of the objective. By his skill and daring actions in the face of heavy machine-gun and rifle fire, he contributed materially to the occupation of the area, and his courageous devotion to duty upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Notomine, W.Va.

B--Foster, W.Va.

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ComGenFMFPac Ser. 50939
Signed _____

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS PAUL W. KINDOLL,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Assistant Driver of a Tank of Company C, Fifth Tank Battalion, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 12 March 1945. With his tank unable to return to our lines due to a disabled vehicle which was blocking the entrance, Private First Class Kindoll voluntarily dismounted under enemy fire and escorted his temporarily blinded Platoon Leader to safety on foot. Then, again risking his life under hostile fire, he directed a third vehicle to the disabled tank and hooking the two together by cable, was largely responsible for retrieving a critically-needed tank which was later repaired and returned to action. His initiative, cool 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-English, Ky.
E-English, Ky.

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Approved
Serial 733
Signed AUG 17 1943

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CHARLES R. KING, USMC.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the ~~Third Battalion, First Marines~~, First Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on the night of October 23, 1942. Abandoning a position of comparative safety in the midst of a hostile tank attack at the mouth of the Matanikau River, Private First Class King, with courageous disregard for his own personal safety, ran a fierce gauntlet of Japanese machine-gun fire in order to drag a wounded comrade out of the path of an approaching tank. Although he himself received a severe knee injury in the course of the act, he, nevertheless, succeeded in removing the helpless man from a position of immediate danger, thereby saving the life of another at great risk to himself."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Cincinnati, Ohio.

B - Harlan, Kentucky, 10-27-23.

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SPOT
Serial 43156
Signed _____

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

SECOND LIEUTENANT CLARK KING,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while attached to the First Battalion, Twenty-eighth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces at Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 11 March 1945. Observing a member of his platoon struck down by enemy rifle and hand-grenade fire, Second Lieutenant King risked his life to advance under fire to the wounded Marine's exposed position. After rendering first aid, he removed the casualty to safety. By his courage, initiative and inspiring action in the face of hostile fire, Second Lieutenant King upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Amherst, Nebraska.
B--Amherst, Nebraska.

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DGP-298-vml

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SPOT
Serial 21399
Signed NOV 14 1947

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

CORPORAL DAVID W. KING, 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 Mechanic of Amphibian Tractors of Company B, Eighth Amphibian Tractor Battalion, Third Amphibious Corps, Fleet Marine Force, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 16 September 1944. Volunteering to perform a hazardous demolition mission, Corporal King braved heavy hostile fire to accompany the demolition party to the Japanese pillboxes and caves selected as the objective. Working his way forward, he set the charge and successfully accomplished his task. His courage and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon himself and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Beaumont, Texas.,
B--Port Neches, Texas.

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DGP-298-bz

Spot Award
Serial 0049
Signed SEP 9 1944

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

LIEUTENANT COLONEL RALPH M. KING, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Com-
manding Officer of the Third Battalion, Third Marines, Third
Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces
in the Solomon Islands Area on November 20 and 24, 1943.
Assuming a position in advance of his battalion when ordered
to occupy a Japanese-held ridge on November 20, Lieutenant
Colonel King personally led his men across the Piva River
through difficult jungle terrain and up the side of the ridge,
where he engaged in a fierce surprise attack, driving the
enemy forces in disorder from the position. Again placing
himself with the assault troops when his advancing battalion
encountered hostile opposition on November 24 in the Piva
Forks Area, he led them in a determined and aggressive at-
tack, securing the battalion's objective and inflicting severe
losses upon the enemy. His inspiring and forceful leadership,
resolute courage and stout-hearted devotion to duty through-
out this operation were in keeping with the highest traditions
of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Morgantown, West Virginia.
B - Pine Grove, West Virginia.

Released 16 March '44

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Signed _____

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS RAY S. KING,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Scout in an Assault Platoon of Company K, Third Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 15 September 1944. Moving against Japanese positions as the advance scout for his platoon, Private First Class King assaulted an enemy pillbox and was hit by machine-gun fire which pierced his helmet. Instantly charging the flank of the strong point, he shot an enemy rifleman and, again hit by enemy fire which pierced his cartridge belt, crawled to the rear exit of the pillbox and threw hand grenades into the opening, killing three of the enemy and forcing the others to flee. His courage and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class King and the United States Service."

For the President,

JOHN E. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy

R-Hurricane, Wyo.
B-Cedar View, Utah

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Serial 48904

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

CAPTAIN WILLIAM J. KING,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Company D, Second Battalion, Twenty-seventh Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 22 February 1945. Directed to move his unit into the front lines shortly after midnight, Captain King promptly organized his company and, braving the danger both from friendly and enemy fire involved in moving about the front lines at night, proceeded forward to make a thorough reconnaissance and then to lead his unit into position. By taking immediate action, he prevented enemy infiltration and kept the front lines intact the remainder of the night. Although the lines were still pinned down by enemy small-arms and mortar fire on the following morning, he assumed command of the adjacent unit which had sustained heavy casualties during the night and was disorganized. Moving through the lines to reorganize the company, Captain King enabled his unit to repulse enemy infiltration and small counter-attack attempts. His skilled leadership, courage and unwavering devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

R - Detroit, Michigan.
B - Detroit, Michigan.

For the President,

FRANCIS P. MATTHEWS

Secretary of the Navy.

896989
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ComFmPac Spot Ser. 52104
Signed _____

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DEAN T. KINGSBURY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Tractor Operator of Company C, Fifth Engineer Battalion, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, from 19 February to 24 March 1945. In the face of heavy hostile mortar and small-arms fire, Private First Class Kingsbury assisted in the construction of the first supply road from the beach to the front lines. When the tanks were unable to advance because of impassable roads containing road blocks, he courageously removed the obstacles and repaired the roads, thereby enabling the tanks to advance ahead of the infantry. Wounded twice, he continued to aid in constructing roads until 24 March, when his tractor struck a land mine which completely wrecked the vehicle and seriously wounded him. By his initiative, courage and devotion to duty, Private First Class Kingsbury upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

R- Corvallis, Ore.
B- Mitchell, S. D.
14 Jan 19

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 0296-295
Signed DEC 22 1947

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LUKE A. KINGSLEY, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Second Battalion, Fourth Marines (Reinforced), First Provisional Marine Brigade, Third Amphibious Corps, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, 21 July 1944. When his platoon was pinned down by intense enemy mortar, machine-gun and grenade fire from the far side of a ridge over which the platoon was attempting to advance, Private First Class Kingsley braved the enemy fire and advanced up the ridge where he inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy with his automatic rifle and directed the fire of his platoon. Although wounded seriously by hostile fire, he remained in his exposed position and delivered effective fire on the enemy for more than an hour before being evacuated. His aggressive fighting spirit and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Kingsley and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Memphis, Tenn.,
B--Memphis, Tenn.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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7-10-51
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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GREGORY J. KINNE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Scout of an Assault Platoon in Company K, Third Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division (Reinforced), in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, on 15-16 September 1944. Acting as advance scout for his platoon, Private First Class Kinne made a daring reconnaissance of enemy positions defending the north end of the beach. Then, after returning to his platoon leader with valuable information which determined the plan of attack, he participated in the ensuing assault, personally killing three enemy snipers during the encounter. On the morning of 16 September, during the defense of our newly won positions, he fearlessly maneuvered to a vantage point beyond friendly lines from which he could direct accurate rifle fire and, sighting two Japanese armed with demolition equipment proceeding toward one of our ammunition dumps, killed both of them before they could infiltrate the left flank of the lines. His daring initiative, outstanding courage and unwavering devotion to duty in the face of grave danger reflect great credit upon Private First Class Kinne and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

DAN A. KIMBALL

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Syracuse, New York
B-Syracuse, New York

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Serial 00436
Signed_____

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS THORNE T. KINSEY,
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 Ammunition Carrier of Company C, First Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 28 September 1944. When one of our machine-gun squads were pinned down by hostile fire from a cave killing two men and wounding several more, Private First Class Kinsey courageously advanced on the cave firing his weapon and throwing hand grenades and, after working his way to the mouth of the strong point, killed one and possibly more of the enemy. Remaining alongside the cave to throw grenades, he continued harassing the Japanese until one of our bazooka men arrived. Providing cover until his companion had expended his ammunition supply, he remained at the opening until driven down by the fire of the hostile gun, thereby contributing materially to the rescue of several trapped Marines and to the delay of hostile fire on our machine gun squad until it could find better cover and protection. 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--Kansas City, Mo.
B--Carmel, Calif.

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Signed FEB 13 1948

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the GOLD STAR in lieu of the Second Silver Star Medal to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS THORNE T. KINSEY,
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, on 8 May 1945. When his company was pinned down by intense enemy small-arms and mortar fire while advancing toward a strongly defended objective, Private First Class Kinsey voluntarily moved forward to a position from which he could direct his comrades in a more efficient deployment and locating the principle source of the enemy fire, manned a flame thrower and destroyed the hostile strong point. Later, he volunteered to go forward one hundred yards through a fire-swept area to administer first aid to a wounded comrade and effected the man's rescue. His courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

R. Kansas City, Mo.
B. Carmel Calif.
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For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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DGP-298-vml

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AppdSofN-10-4-45
Serial-35775
Signed AUG 27 1946

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ARTHUR R. KINTZELE, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Rifleman, serving with Company E, Second Battalion, Twenty-Eighth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 21 February 1945. Courageously volunteering to lead three friendly tanks forward across five hundred yards of open and level terrain amidst heavy machine-gun and mortar fire in order to aid the attack, Private First Class Kintzele boldly walked upright in front of the lead tank, directing with the necessary arm and hand signals and examining the route for mines and artillery duds. Although mortally wounded when approximately one hundred yards from his goal, Private First Class Kintzele, by his personal valor and self-sacrificing efforts, enabled the tanks to reach their objective and support the assault. His heroic conduct and inspiring leadership reflect the highest 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--Michigan City, Indiana,
B--Michigan City, Indiana.

SSMw/pern.cit.&GMC ltr. was presented to the parents of the late PFC Kintzele, Mr.&Mrs. Arthur R. Kintzele, Sr., informally at their home on 14Jan47, by the Cinc, USMC DHS, Los Angeles, Calif.

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

CAPTAIN GERALD G. KIRBY,
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, Twenty-first Marines, Third Marine Division, during operations against enemy Japanese forces at Guam, Marianas Islands, from 21 July to 10 August 1944. Boldly exposing himself to direct hostile fire, Captain Kirby aggressively moved with his assault troops and skillfully directed the defense of his lines against repeated hostile night attacks. With his Company ordered to seize a ridge located above an almost inaccessible cliff, he ably maneuvered his troops up ropes to the enemy position while exposed to heavy hostile mortar and rifle fire and thereby aided materially in capturing this terrain before the Japanese could launch a counter-attack. By his technical skill, courage and devotion to duty, Captain Kirby upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

R-Jacksonville, Fla.
B-Jacksonville, Fla.

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

SERGEANT JOHN M. KIRBY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving in command of a Flame Thrower Tank of Company C, Fifth Tank Battalion, Division Service Troops, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 22 February 1945. Cool and courageous while approaching to destroy an enemy installation, Sergeant Kirby acted instantly when his tank threw a track and, dismounting from the disabled vehicle, directed his crew in a hurried attempt to effect repairs despite the sudden concentration of blasting fire pouring forth from a Japanese emplacement beyond range of the tank's flame gun. Determined to reduce the heavy volume of hostile fire, he advanced toward the enemy position by foot carrying a sub-machine gun and succeeded in delivering several bursts of fire into the entrance and ports of the installation before he fell under the impact of an enemy grenade. By his unfaltering leadership, tenacious perseverance and self-sacrificing devotion to duty he aided in reducing the hostile fire and enabled the other members of the tank crew to place their vehicle back in action. His conduct throughout reflects the highest credit upon Sergeant Kirby and the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

SSMw/perm cit & CMC ltr delivered to the widow of the late Sgt. Kirby, Mrs. John M. Kirby, Box 785, Princeton, W. Va., on 20 Nov 46 informally since no public presentation desired. Appropriate publicity was given. ered by the CinC, USMC DHRS, Huntington, W. Va.

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Savannah, Georgia
B--Statesboro, Georgia

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

SECOND LIEUTENANT CHARLES S. KIRCHMANN,
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 A, First Battalion, Twelfth Marine, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 1 March 1945. When the company was subjected to a barrage of mortar fire and received numerous casualties, Second Lieutenant Kirchmann unhesitatingly advanced through intense mortar and small-arms fire to a position beyond the front lines from which he could observe the enemy mortars. He then quickly directed his own artillery fire on the hostile mortars and destroyed them. His resolute courage and steadfast devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Second Lieutenant Kirchmann and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Jackson, Miss.
B--New Orleans, La.

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

TECHNICAL SERGEANT JAMES B. KIRK,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, Seventh Regiment, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 2 October 1944. When his wire crew was pinned down by a concentration of hostile mortar fire just short of its destination, Technical Sergeant Kirk voluntarily proceeded alone along a route rendered hazardous by enemy sniper fire and continued to lay the line forward. Discovering that the newly laid line had been destroyed by mortar fire, he again braved intense fire to lay a new line back to the battalion command post, thereby reestablishing vital communications. By his courage, initiative and devotion to duty, Technical Sergeant Kirk 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--Norfolk, Virginia,
B--Kermit, West Virginia.

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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

SECOND LIEUTENANT CHARLES H. KIRKHAM,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Tank Platoon Leader of Company B, Third Tank Battalion, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 1 March 1945. Early in the afternoon, Second Lieutenant Kirkham led his platoon against strongly-emplaced enemy positions in advance of supporting infantry troops. When his tank was rendered inoperative by hostile antitank demolition personnel during the ensuing action, he courageously remained in the tank with his gunner and, while one crewman was evacuating the two wounded members, continued to fire on the Japanese. Despite loss of radio contact and lack of close-in infantry support, he maintained effective fire until all the ammunition was expended and, during a twenty minute period, succeeded in destroying three emplaced enemy tanks, three ammunition trucks, several machine gun positions and numerous enemy personnel, finally abandoning the tank only five minutes before it was completely destroyed by hostile demolition charges. His outstanding courage and perseverance in the face of grave danger were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Sweet Water, Ala.
B--Sweet Water, Ala.

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

SECOND LIEUTENANT CHARLES H. KIRKHAM,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Tank Platoon Leader of Company B, Third Tank Battalion, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on the Asan-Adelup Beachhead at Guam, Marianas Islands, 25 July 1944. While returning to the front lines with his platoon, which had been breaking up heavy concentrations four hundred yards in enemy-held territory, Second Lieutenant Kirkham noticed three wounded and helpless Marines three hundred yards from their front lines. With cool courage, he voluntarily left his tank, personally placed the three Marines on it and brought them back to our lines, where he supervised their evacuation to a medical station. His initiative and heroism in the probable saving of the lives of three comrades reflect the highest credit upon Second Lieutenant Kirkham and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Sweetwater, Alabama,
B--Sweetwater, Alabama.

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

BERGEANT DALE T. KIRKLAND,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Leader of a Demolitions Team of Company C, First Engineer Battalion, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, from 15 September to 18 October 1944. Demonstrating exceptional initiative and courage, Sergeant Kirkland led his squad out in front of the lines of a rifle company to close several caves known to be occupied by the enemy on 20 September. Caught in hostile automatic fire which killed one man and severely wounded another while he and four men of his team were blowing the caves, he disregarded the enemy fire and completed the demolition of the remaining cave. In the succeeding days, he continued to lead his squad time after time in demolishing Japanese caves and emplacements, usually under hostile fire. His devotion to duty throughout the operation was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

A--Toledo, Ohio.
B--Toledo, Ohio.

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Appd SofN 9-13-45
Serial 35001
Signed UL 9 1946

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

FIRST LIEUTENANT JESSE P. KITCHENS, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of the 81-mm. Mortar Platoon attached to Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, Twenty-Eighth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 11 March 1945. Leading his platoon's attack in an area where the terrain was severely obstructed, First Lieutenant Kitchens boldly advanced to an exposed position in order to observe and direct mortar fire against the unseen enemy. Immediately subjected to a barrage of knee-mortar fire, he remained steadfast, calling fire missions calmly and accurately, and leaving his post only to repair his telephone line which had been cut by an exploding mortar shell. He maintained this position of vital support to his battalion for four hours until he was fatally wounded by an enemy rifleman. First Lieutenant Kitchens' inspiring courage and unswerving devotion to duty upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life in the service of his country."

SSMw/perm cit & CMC ltr presented to the widow of the late 1stLt. Kitchens, Jr. Mrs. Jesse P. Kitchens, Jr., in a joint ceremony at the USNAD, McAlester, Okla. by the CO on 19 Sep 46. The SSM was actually pinned on the 18-month old son of the late 1stLt. Kitchens. Military personnel and guests of Mrs. Kitchens were present.

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R.--LeFlore, Oklahoma
B.--LeFlore, Oklahoma

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Signed FEB 27 1947

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

SERGEANT LEWIS A. KIRSCH,
 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 in a platoon of Company C, First Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 10 May 1945. Boldly leading his squad across a wide valley under heavy enemy mortar and machine-gun fire which wounded three of his men and pinned the squad down for the entire day, Sergeant Kirsch dauntlessly proceeded alone under the continuing fire to reconnoiter a route of evacuation and late in the afternoon succeeded in leading his squad back from the valley without further casualties. With the aid of a smoke screen, he carried out one of the wounded men despite vicious cross-fire from Japanese machine guns, twice repeating his hazardous trip over the fire-swept terrain and each time bearing a casualty to safety. His courageous initiative and daring tactics in the face of overwhelming odds reflect the highest credit upon Sergeant Kirsch and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Seattle, Washington,
B--Philadelphia, Penn.

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Signed MAY 28 1946

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

CORPORAL PALMER L. KLAHRE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Bazooka Man, serving with Company K, Third Battalion, Twenty-Fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 26 February 1945. With his company pinned down and suffering heavy casualties immediately after landing on the fire-swept beach-head on D-Day, Corporal Klahre fearlessly braved the shattering barrage in a valiant effort to wipe out a Japanese pillbox on his left front. Charging forward without any protecting fire, he maneuvered through the blistering shellfire to an advantageous position for launching his daring lone attack and, firing his rockets through the embrasure with deadly accuracy, succeeded in destroying the 47-mm. gun emplacement before he was killed by the enemy. By his forceful initiative, indomitable fighting spirit and courageous conduct in the face of tremendous odds, Corporal Klahre contributed materially to the sustained forward advance of his company, and his self-sacrificing devotion to duty throughout the fierce action reflects the highest 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.

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OTHER INFORMATION: RE: THE REQUEST WAS DISSENTED IN ADVANCE
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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL ROBERT L. KLEINKNIGHT,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Headquarters and Service Company, Second Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, from 20 to 24 November 1943. Skilled and aggressive during fierce combat against a deeply entrenched enemy in the central sector of Betio Island, Corporal Kleinknight fought furiously and without rest throughout three days and nights of bitter offensive action, contributing materially to the success of his unit in wiping out many Japanese emplacements. On one occasion, he boldly proceeded to the gun port of a hostile strong-point and, despite the enemy's incessant shellfire, destroyed the entrenchment with well-placed demolitions and grenade fire, then entered the area and killed the remaining personnel. Again risking his life in a subsequent engagement, he fearlessly exposed himself to withering hostile fire to gain an advantageous position for covering the advance of a companion to the entrance of an enemy-held position. His daring initiative, great personal valor and tireless devotion to the completion of each perilous mission served as an inspiration to our troops and reflect the highest credit upon the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R-Bakersfield, California
B-Taft, California

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Appd SofN 1-10-46
Serial 35914
Signed APR 11 1947

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

SERGEANT FLOYD A. KLEMME,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Platoon Leader, serving with Company C, First Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 21 February and 3 March 1945. Ordered to fill a gap in the front lines to consolidate his company's defensive position on 21 February, Sergeant Klemme gallantly led his men forward and placed them in strategic positions to guard against counterattack by the Japanese during the night. Subsequently detecting enemy activity a short distance to the front of his position, he hurled illumination grenades into the area and, after determining the presence of two hostile Japanese, charged forward and killed them with grenades as friendly and hostile fire swept the field. With one of his men lying helpless in an enemy fire lane during furious action on 3 March, he fearlessly risked his life to attempt a rescue and, while carrying the wounded man to safety, was fatally struck down by a Japanese sniper's bullet. By his forceful leadership, indomitable fighting spirit and great personal valor in the face of grave peril, Sergeant Klemme contributed materially to the success of our operations in this vital war area, and his selfless conduct throughout reflects the highest credit upon himself and the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRES

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Kelso, Washington.

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Serial 2835
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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT DAVID D. KLIEWER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Pilot of a Fighter Plane in Marine Fighting Squadron TWO HUNDRED ELEVEN during an attack against an enemy Japanese submarine in the vicinity of Wake Island, on 15 December 1941. Conducting a lone patrol mission near the island in an aircraft armed only with four fifty caliber machine guns and two one hundred pound fragmentation bombs, Second Lieutenant Kliewer sighted a fully surfaced enemy submarine and, despite the extreme danger of attempting an attack, promptly maneuvered to a striking position. Fiercely aggressive, he plunged relentlessly on his target and, releasing his bombs at perilously low altitude, scored two direct hits on the hull of the underseas craft which caused it to sink rapidly. With his plane riddled by fragments from the explosion as he effected a sharp pull-out from his dive, he succeeded in maintaining control of the crippled craft and, by his superb flying ability and dauntless perseverance, brought his ship back to the base. By his daring initiative, unwavering zeal and bold tactics in the face of tremendous odds, Second Lieutenant Kliewer accounted for the destruction of an important hostile vessel, and his heroic conduct throughout reflects the highest credit upon himself and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Wheaton, Illinois
B - Birney, Montana

KLINGBEIL, Herbert G.

Private

278420 USMCR

SILVER STAR (Army) Awarded by despatch 4-27-42 filed on case 1740-55-65 for service at Philippine Islands.

Previous awards - none.

Born: 3-24-19 - Hastings, Minnesota.

Current Enl.: 12-5-39 - St. Paul, Minnesota.

Legal Residence: Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Next of kin: Mr. Arthur G. Klingbeil, (Father)
3524 32nd Avenue, South.
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS SEVERAN P. KLOSKOWSKI,
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, Second Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, from 20 to 24 November 1943. Skilled and aggressive during fierce combat against a deeply entrenched enemy in the central sector of Betio Island, Private First Class Kloskowski fought furiously and without rest throughout three days and nights of bitter offensive action, contributing materially to the success of his unit in wiping out many Japanese emplacements. On one occasion, he boldly proceeded to the gun port of a hostile strong point and, despite the enemy's incessant shellfire, destroyed the entrenchment with well-placed demolitions and grenade fire, then entered the area and annihilated the remaining personnel. Again risking his life in a subsequent engagement, he fearlessly exposed himself to withering hostile fire to gain an advantageous position for covering the advance of a companion to the entrance of an enemy-held position. His daring initiative, great personal valor and tireless devotion to the completion of each perilous mission served as an inspiration to his comrades and reflect the highest credit upon himself and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Milwaukee, Wisc.,
B--Milwaukee, Wisc.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Signed _____

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

CAPTAIN ROBERT L. KLOTZ, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Demolitions Officer of the Fifth Engineer Battalion, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 11 March 1945. When a Marine infantry and tank battalion was halted in its advance by an enemy mine field, Captain Klotz unhesitatingly assumed command of several engineer mine squads and, despite intense close-range hostile fire, succeeded in clearing a passage through the field without a single casualty to our forces, thereby enabling the tanks to move forward and destroy numerous Japanese positions and the infantry to advance. Captain Klotz's initiative, leadership and courage upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

B - Hazelton, Pa.
R - Hazelton, Pa.

Secretary of the Navy.

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

PLATOON SERGEANT HENRY F. KNAAK,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company F, Second Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa Shima, Ryukyu Islands, on 14 June 1945. When a white phosphorous grenade fell among a group of wounded men, Platoon Sergeant Knaak unhesitatingly picked up the missile although well aware of the split-second action required to prevent the shell from exploding within the immediate vicinity. Severely burned when the grenade exploded before he could throw it clear, Platoon Sergeant Knaak, by his outstanding courage, daring initiative and selfless efforts in behalf of others, upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R. B. ANDERSON

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Manito, Illinois
B-Green Valley, Illinois

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Serial 00164
Signed

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS BROWER L. KNASTER, USMC.,
for service as set forth in the following SEP 14 1944

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action as a member of an artillery forward observation party serving with the First Marine Parachute Battalion in combat against enemy Japanese forces in the Empress Augusta Bay Area, Bougainville Island, on November 29, 1943. Despite heavy enemy mortar, machine-gun and sniper fire, Private First Class Knaster assisted in establishing and maintaining radio communication with the artillery which was attacking a Japanese-held position. Although emplaced near the hostile line of fire and lacking protection of any kind, he valiantly remained at his post for a period of seven hours in order to direct friendly artillery fire against the enemy and cover the withdrawal of the battalion. Private First Class Knaster's extreme courage and unswerving devotion to duty in the face of grave danger were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL
Secretary of the Navy.

R - Pottstown, Pennsylvania.
B - Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

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Serial 62550
Signed _____

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

PLATOON SERGEANT EBEN M. KNIGHT,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company C, Sixth Tank Battalion, Sixth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 13 May 1945. Advancing in his recovery vehicle under heavy enemy fire to repair and put into action two of his company's tanks, Platoon Sergeant Knight dismounted from his vehicle and worked for twenty-five minutes in full view of the Japanese to repair the track of a disabled tank. He then went to the assistance of an immobilized tank within twenty-five yards of the enemy lines, and again exposed himself to hostile fire to accomplish the repair of the second tank. By his skill, initiative and untiring devotion to duty throughout, Platoon Sergeant Knight contributed materially to the success of this operation and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Chestertown, Md.
B--Chestertown, Md.

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Serial 0012
Signed Jul 10 1945

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LESTER KNIGHT, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as an Automatic Rifleman serving with the Third Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 15 September 1944. Alternately delivering extremely effective rifle fire and throwing countless hand grenades, Private First Class Knight inflicted heavy casualties among the Japanese troops and staunchly maintained his central position on our lines against three desperate hostile counterattacks. Subsequently, when his comrades on either side of him were killed or wounded, he strongly increased his heroic efforts and succeeded in saving the lines from a Japanese penetration and, although mortally wounded during the fierce action, steadfastly refused evacuation and directed his last energy against the enemy. Private First Class Knight's indomitable fighting spirit and tenacious devotion to duty in the face of grave 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

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Glendale, Arizona
B-Warner, Oklahoma

perm. Cit, ltr fr CMC pres'd by OinC, Western Div, San Francisco
Calif. accompanied by DHIRS, Phoenix, Arizona 10 August
1945 to mother of the late PFC Knight, Mrs. Nettie E. Knight
General Delivery, Glendale, Arizona, informally.

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Signed _____

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

PRIVATE NEIL R. KNIGHT,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company B, Second Tank Battalion, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, on 22 and 23 November 1943. With radio communications inoperative during this period of bitter offensive action, Private Knight repeatedly exposed himself to the enemy's shattering barrages to carry vital messages between the Tank Battalion Command Post, tanks and infantry front line positions, contributing materially to the maintenance of tank unit communications and to the ultimate success of our forces in capturing this vital hostile stronghold. By his fearless determination, his outstanding fortitude and cool courage in the face of grave danger, Private Knight served as an inspiration to others in the area, and his zealous devotion to duty throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

R--Edwardsville, Kansas.,
B--Kansas City, Kansas.

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 WAYNE H. KNIGHT,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Pilot of a Fighter Plane in Marine Fighting Squadron THREE HUNDRED ELEVEN in action against enemy Japanese forces in the vicinity of the Ryukyu Islands, on 13 May 1945. Flying as Wingman of a section on combat air patrol to provide protection for a group of Naval patrol vessels, Second Lieutenant Knight participated in an attack on four enemy aircraft closing our surface force. When one of the hostile planes commenced a suicide dive on a destroyer, he initiated an immediate attack and, following his section leader through intense antiaircraft fire from the ships, insured the destruction of the Japanese craft. His courageous airmanship, 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.

ROLebanon, N. H.
B-Burlington, Vt.

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Serial 12689
Signed AUG 3 1945

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GLEN H. KNISLEY, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

“For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as an Automatic Rifleman serving with the First Battalion, Twenty-Fourth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Group, from 16 June to 18 July 1944. Serving with a squad assigned to eliminate the remaining hostile resistance in the area, Private First Class Knisley unhesitatingly volunteered to enter a cave known to be occupied by the enemy and, fighting his gun skillfully and with heroic determination in the face of enemy opposition, personally accounted for several Japanese soldiers before he was mortally wounded by enemy machine-gun fire. Private First Class Knisley's indomitable fighting spirit and valiant disregard for personal safety were 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 OMC, Detroit, Mich., 10-29-45 to the widow of the late PFC Knisley, Mrs. Knisley, at Detroit office. Inf pres

Secretary of the Navy.

Acting

R--River Rouge, Michigan.
B--Detroit, Michigan.

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Cincpac
SPOT
Serial 12753
Signed 1111 10 1947

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

SERGEANT BERT A. KNOX,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Reconnaissance Sergeant of Company B, Fourth Tank Battalion, Fourth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan Island, Marianas Group, 20 June 1944. Maintaining close liaison between our advancing forces during a tank-infantry attack, Sergeant Knox repeatedly exposed himself to mortar and small-arms fire to provide technical advice to the tank and infantry commanders and, by his professional skill, coolness under fire and resolute fortitude, rendered invaluable service throughout the well organized onslaught which covered approximately two thousand yards. His courageous and tireless devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Riverside, California.
B--Los Angeles, California.

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SecNav Appd
11 June 1962
Bd Ser 444

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

PLATOON SERGEANT BERT A. KNOX
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action against enemy Japanese forces while serving with Company B, Fourth Tank Battalion, Fourth Marine Division, during the Battle of Iwo Jima in February 1945. Exercising outstanding leadership, courage, and initiative, Platoon Sergeant Knox, as a Platoon Leader and Tank Commander, contributed materially to the success of his battalion in carrying out its assigned missions during this period of intensive operations. On one occasion he saved the lives of his tank crew by shooting a Japanese soldier who was approaching with a box mine. By his loyal and inspiring devotion to duty throughout this campaign, Platoon Sergeant Knox upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President

FRED KORTH

Secretary of the Navy

R-Riverside, California
B-Los Angeles, California

GS in lieu of 2d SSM, cit and CMC ltr pres to Sgt Knox in an informal ceremony by I-I, 4th For Recon Co, ForTrps, FMF, USMCR, San Bernardino, Calif. 26 Oct 1962

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ComGenFMFPac Ser. 00436-45
Signed _____ 6

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

SECOND LIEUTENANT HORACE B. KNOX,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Communications Officer of the Second Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, from 15 September to 13 October 1944. Landing with a platoon under intense hostile artillery and mortar fire, Second Lieutenant Knox bravely worked his way through the barrage, gathering and reorganizing his scattered unit in order to establish communications between the Battalion Commander and his subordinate units, and tirelessly installed and repaired the rapidly extending communication lines. Braving the continued mortar barrage, machine-gun fire and enemy infiltrations on several occasions, he personally directed his men in repairing lines necessary to the control of his Battalion's movements and, on one instance, moved out to repair the lines himself rather than endanger his assistants, thereby contributing materially to the success attained by his group. His courageous devotion to duty and leadership were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Crockett, Tex.

B..Love Lady, Tex.

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SPOT
Serial 4765
Signed _____

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

FIRST LIEUTENANT NORMAN W. KNOX,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity
as Intelligence Officer of the Third 155-mm. Howit-
zer Battalion, Fleet Marine Force, in action against
enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands,
10 May 1945. While leading his patrol in search
of a hidden mortar which had been harassing his
unit, First Lieutenant Knox observed an enemy
soldier entering a cave and, directing his group
to surround the entrance to the cave and cover
his approach, pursued the Japanese. Observing
that the two hand grenades which the enemy threw
as he drew close to the mouth of the cave would
endanger the lives of his patrol, he threw him-
self between the grenades and his patrol and,
taking the force of the explosion with his own
body, received wounds in the head and abdomen.
By his unselfish action, he enabled his group
to destroy the enemy and save the battalion from
further harassing and from deadly fire from this
location. His initiative, courage and loyal de-
votion to duty were in keeping with the highest
traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Boston, Mass.,
B--Somerville, Mass.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

356916
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 STEVEN KOBASIAR, U. S. MARINE CORPS,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

Released

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Third Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in combat against enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on October 25, 1942. Patrolling the rear area of his company for enemy troops reported to have infiltrated through the Third Battalion, Seventh Marines' lines, Private Kobasiar and two companions encountered fifteen enemy soldiers in a deep draw. Armed with pistols, rifles, and hand-grenades, he and his comrades, with grim determination and undaunted courage, closed in on the Japanese, killing the entire group and destroying one heavy machine gun. His indomitable fighting spirit was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Ansonia, Connecticut.

B - Ansonia, Connecticut, 2-28-1920.

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DGP-298-Navt-FBB

CincPac Spot Ser. 0647
Signed _____

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ERWIN F. KOEHLER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Runner of Company B, Second Tank Battalion, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, on 22 and 23 November 1943. With radio communications inoperative during this period of bitter offensive action, Private First Class Koehler repeatedly exposed himself to the enemy's shattering barrages to carry vital messages between the Tank Battalion Command Post, tanks and infantry front line positions, contributing materially to the maintenance of tank unit communications and to the ultimate success of our forces in capturing this vital hostile stronghold. By his fearless determination, his outstanding fortitude and cool courage in the face of grave danger, Private First Class Koehler served as an inspiration to others in the area and his zealous devotion to duty throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

R- River Grove, Ill.
B- Bensonville, Ill.
11 June 1920

For the President,

JOHN L SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

KOENIG, Fred E. Jr.

PFC

266869

SILVER STAR (Army) ✓

LETTER OF COMMENDATION (Army)

Awarded by despatch 4-27-42 filed on case
1740-55-65. Service at Ph. Is.

Previous Awards - None

Born: 12-16-19 Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Current Enl. 8-3-38 Chicago, Illinois

Legal Residence: Michigan (Detroit)

Next of kin: Mother-Mrs. Irene Koenig,
5400 Manor Avenue,
Detroit, Michigan.

HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES FORCES IN THE PHILIPPINES,
FORT MILLS, P. I.

14 April, 1942.

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 14)

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2. 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 warrant Officer and enlisted men:

EUGENE M. KOHLMAN, 290300, Corporal, Headquarters Company, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P. I. For gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Corporal KOHLMAN, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in, and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work.

By Command of Major General MOORE:

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

OFFICIAL:

L. J. BOWLER,
Colonel, C.A.C.,
Acting Adjutant General.

A TRUE EXTRACT

ATTEST:

/s/ R. Chambers, Jr., Captain, USMC,
R. Chambers, Jr., Captain, USMC,
Commanding, HoCo., 4th.

HEADQUARTERS
PHILIPPINE COAST ARTILLERY COMMAND
FORT MILLS, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

GENERAL ORDERS)

14 April, 1942.

Number.....24)

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, August 6, 1932, the Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded by the Commanding General, Philippine Coast Artillery Command, to the following-named officer and enlisted men for gallantry in action, to be worn with the Silver Star previously awarded each, as indicated:

EUGENE C. HAYNES, 279813, Corporal, Company F, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P.I. Corporal HAYNES is authorized to wear the Oak Leaf Cluster with his Silver Star (awarded by General Orders No. 21, Headquarters Philippine Coast Artillery Command, 6 April, 1942), in recognition of the following act of gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, on April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Corporal HAYNES, without regard for his personal safety voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in, and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work. Place of residence: St. Joseph, Missouri.

WILLIAM H. McGOVERNACK, Corporal, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P.I. Corporal McGOVERNACK is authorized to wear the Oak Leaf Cluster with his Silver Star (awarded by General Orders No. 21, Headquarters Philippine Coast Artillery Command, 6 April, 1942), in recognition of the following act of gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, on April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Corporal McGOVERNACK, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in, and aided in digging out the trapped men.

HONSTON L. DAVIS, 219708, Platoon Sergeant, Company F, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P.I. For gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in

a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Platoon Sergeant DAVIS, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work.

JOHN R. BREEZE, 263592, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P.I. For gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping men therein, Sergeant BREEZE, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in, and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work.

HRI L. HUCKABAY, Jr., 268087, Sergeant, Company F, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P.I. For gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Sergeant HUCKABAY, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in, and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work.

JAMES H. KERNS, 256886, Sergeant, Company H, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P.I. For gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Sergeant KERNS, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work.

EUGENE M. KOHLMAN, 290300, Corporal, Headquarters Company, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P.I. For gallantry in action

at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Corporal KOHLMAN, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave, and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work.

MIKE WINTERMAN, 271428, Corporal, Company H, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P.I. For gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Corporal WINTERMAN, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in, and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work.

JOHN F. RAY, 291572, Assistant Cook, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, Fourth Marines, Fort Mills, P.I. For gallantry in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, April 9, 1942. When an enemy bomb caved in a tunnel sheltering a gun crew of the 91st Coast Artillery (PS), trapping several men therein, Assistant Cook, RAY, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left a place of shelter and proceeded a distance of two hundred yards over open ground to the scene of the cave-in, and aided in digging out the trapped men and taking them to an aid station. During all of this time enemy planes were overhead, and dropped bombs nearby during the rescue work.

3. Pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 11, Army Regulations 600-45, August 8, 1932, the following-named officer and enlisted men are hereby awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, on April 13, 1942:

RAYMOND C. McQUILLIAM, 279663, Corporal, Fourth Marines.

"J" R. TOWNSDIN, 295763, Private First Class, Fourth Marines.

4. Pursuant to the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, August

8, 1932, the following-named officers and enlisted men are hereby awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, on April 14, 1942:

5. The following-named enlisted man is entitled to wear an Oak Leaf Cluster on the Purple Heart heretofore awarded him, for wounds received in action at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, on April 14, 1942:

By command of Major General MOORE:

OFFICIAL:

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

/s/ L. J. BOWLER,
L. J. BOWLER,
Colonel, C.A.C.,
Acting Adjutant General.

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(Photostatic copy rec'd from Army sent to file on case
of Corp. Eugene O. HAYNES 279813) (7-5-49)

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WALTER J. KOHNKE,
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, Fourth Marines (Reinforced), First Provisional Marine Brigade, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, on 21 July 1944. When the machine gun he was defending was temporarily put out of action, Private First Class Kohnke crawled forward of the gun position and, with the aid of another Marine, covered the weapon while the gunner worked to restore it to action. Although his companion was fatally wounded while they were repulsing a fifteen man attack, he continued to defend the position until the machine gun was once more operable. His indomitable fighting spirit, courage in the face of hostile attack and devotion to duty reflect great credit on Private First Class Kohnke and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANCIS P. MATTHEWS

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Grand Haven, Mich
B-Grand Haven Mich

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DGP-298-eln

CinCPac
App. 11 Jan. 1945
Serial 07608
Signed APR 18 1945

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

FIRST LIEUTENANT DWIGHT A. KOHR, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

“For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Platoon Leader attached to the Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu Island, Palau Group, on 15 September 1944. Discovering a by-passed enemy pillbox controlling a vital sector of the beach during initial landing operations, First Lieutenant Kohr defied the concentrated defensive fire to lead his platoon in a rush assault on the enemy position and, armed with grenades and carbines, waged a furious attack and succeeded in wiping out the enemy stronghold despite serious wounds received in the fierce fighting. By his fearless initiative, indomitable fighting spirit and determined aggressiveness in a critical situation, First Lieutenant Kohr contributed essentially to our successful landing operations in this strategic area, and his unwavering 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--York, Pennsylvania.
B--York, Pennsylvania.

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DGP-298-Navy-RDA

FMFPac
SPOT
Serial 61533
Signed FEB 27 1946

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

CORPORAL STANLEY C. KOKOFSKI,
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, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 4 May 1945. When his company was pinned down in a perilous position at the foot of an enemy-held ridge, Corporal Kokofski singlehandedly charged the enemy on top of the ridge and, despite concentrated rifle and machine-gun fire, continued on without hesitation until he reached the summit. From this exposed position, he succeeded in driving the Japanese from the crest of the hill with rifle fire and grenades and resolutely withstood their repeated attempts to regain the position until his company occupied the ridge. His outstanding 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

R--Thompsonville, Conn.,
B--Suffield, Conn.

Secretary of the Navy.

514160
AW-298-rlm

Spot Award, 1943
Serial 083
Signed MAY 16 1943

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

CORPORAL ELIAS J. KOKOTOVICH, U. S. MARINE CORPS RESERVE
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

Released

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity aboard the U.S.S. HOWNET while that vessel was under tremendous aerial attack by enemy Japanese forces in the vicinity of the Santa Cruz Islands on October 26, 1942. Severely wounded by a bomb explosion as hostile planes swept low to rake the deck with cannon fire, Corporal Kokotovitch, with cool courage and utter disregard for his own personal safety, stood gamely by his battle station on board the carrier and manned an anti-aircraft gun throughout the action. His heroic conduct was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

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 - Dayton, Ohio.

B - Dayton, Ohio.

300567
AW-228-1na

Spot Award, 1943
Serial 00192
Signed _____

APR 2 1943

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN KOLARIK, JR., U. S. MARINE CORPS,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

Relieved

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while a member of Company C, Second Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on November 2, 1942. During an advance on hostile gun positions two thousand yards west of the Matanikau River, Private First Class Kolarik succeeded in preventing the enemy from counterthrusting through our lines. As our skirmish line closed in and the Japanese countercharged against his particular sector, he, although dangerously exposed, stubbornly held to his position, killing four Japanese and wounding others by expert rifle fire. By his courageous tenacity in a critical situation, he kept hostile forces from infiltrating through our lines and held them in fixed positions until our support echelon could come to the front."

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...Muskegon Heights, Michigan

B...New York City, New York

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DGP-298-eln

Cincpac
App. SofN 3-1-45
Serial 1300
Signed NOV 14 1945

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS THOMAS F. KONKOLOSKI, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Ambulance Driver serving with the Second Battalion, Second Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 10 July 1944. Braving terrific Japanese sniper and machine-gun fire, Private First Class Konkoloski unhesitatingly volunteered to drive his ambulance over an open field in repeated attempts to rescue wounded men. Successful in saving several lives before he himself was mortally wounded, Private First Class Konkoloski, by his exceptional courage in the face of peril, his outstanding initiative, and selfless devotion to duty at the risk of his own life, 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.

SS W/ perm. cit. ltr. fr. CMC pres 2-6-46 by CO Marine Barracks U. S. Naval Shipyard, Brooklyn, N. Y. to the parents of the late PFC KONKOLOSKI, Mr Thomas F. Konkoloski.

Informal pres. at home.

R--Elmira, N.Y.
B-- " "

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Cincpac
Appd SofN 10-11-45
Serial 032484
Signed SEP 26 1946

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

FIRST LIEUTENANT JAMES E. KORETZ,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Forward Observer, attached to Battery K, Fourth Battalion, Eleventh Marines, First Marine Division, during action on enemy Japanese-held Okinawa, Ryukyu Group, 8 and 9 May 1945. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, First Lieutenant Koretz repeatedly went forward through heavy artillery, mortar and machine-gun fire to advanced observation positions in order to direct artillery fire upon the enemy. Under the most difficult conditions, he inspired his observation party to maintain communications and refused to abandon his perilous position despite serious wounds, persevering until he fell, mortally wounded by hostile mortar fire. His courageous conduct and self-sacrificing devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

SSMw/perm cit & CMC ltr presented to
the prnts of the late LtLt. Koretz,
Mr. & Mrs. Ludwig Koretz, Chicago, Ill.,
on 18 Oct 46 by the OinC, USMC DHRS,
Chicago, Ill.

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Chicago, Illinois
B--Chicago, Illinois

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Signed FEB 13 1946

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DONALD J. KORNHAAS,
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, Twenty-seventh Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 8 March 1945. Under heavy mortar and small-arms fire, Private First Class Kornhaas voluntarily led tanks into the lines and directed their fire against enemy positions which were holding up the advance. When his Squad Leader was killed on the night of 8 March, he assumed command and skillfully reorganized his squad into an effective fighting unit. His courage, leadership and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R. Danbury, Conn.
B. " "

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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SPOT
Serial 09391
Signed NOV 14 1947

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

GUNNERY SERGEANT HERBERT J. KORSTANGE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Gunnery Sergeant of Company I, Third Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Cape Gloucester, New Britain, on 3 January 1944. When several small groups of Japanese soldiers infiltrated through a gap in our lines, Gunnery Sergeant Korstange immediately organized a small assault force of Marines and, disregarding intense hostile fire from numerous concealed positions, boldly launched an attack against the infiltrating troops, repulsing them with severe casualties. His quick decisive actions and inspiring leadership were in large measure responsible for the continuation of our sustained attack, thereby reflecting great credit upon Gunnery Sergeant Korstange and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R-- Pontiac, Michigan.
B-- Pontiac, Michigan.

343819
DGP-298-gjd

Spot Award.
Serial 829.
Signed AUG 27 1943

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

PRIVATE MILO KOSANOVICH, U. S. MARINE CORPS RESERVE.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with B Battery, Special Weapons Battalion, attached to the First Marines, First Marine Division, in combat against enemy Japanese tank forces at the mouth of the Matanikau River, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on the night of October 23, 1942. With utter disregard for his own personal safety and in the face of heavy Japanese fire, Private Kosanovich steadfastly remained at his post and with the other members of his battery succeeded in keeping the anti-tank gun in action until the enemy attack was completely repulsed. His skill, tenacity, 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 - Aliquippa, Pennsylvania/

B - Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

08798
DPG-298-eln

Spot Award
Serial 00369
Signed AUG 5 1944

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

CAPTAIN JOHN KOVACS, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as commanding officer of a rifle company while attached to the Third Battalion, Third Marines, Third Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces in the Battle of Piva Forks, Bougainville Island, Solomon Islands, on November 24, 1943. Initiating the attack on a strongly entrenched and concealed enemy position, Captain Kovacs led his troops into action but sustained extremely heavy casualties under the severe fire of the Japanese. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Captain Kovacs, advancing in full view of the enemy, approached under withering fire and reconnoitered hostile positions. Returning to his troops, he led them in an assault on the enemy's flank and, although wounded during this attack, remained in action until the Japanese position had been overwhelmed. His valiant fighting spirit and his inspiring fortitude in the face of grave danger were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R...Westport, Conn.

B...Leechburg, Pa.

248880
DGP-298-bz

Spot Award

Serial 0695

Signed

Com Sec. Hlt
DCI 9 A 1944

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

SERGEANT EDWARD P. KOWSKIE, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action while serving with an antitank unit attached to the First Marine Division during combat with enemy Japanese forces on Cape Gloucester, New Britain, on December 27, 1943. When hostile forces attempted to break through a position on his flank as he led his antitank crew without organic weapons or machine guns into the front lines, Sergeant Kowskie unhesitatingly rushed to the threatened area, leading his section through intense enemy opposition to a firing point only twenty-five yards from a hostile gun emplacement. Courageously maintaining his exposed position, he skillfully directed the fire of his men until fatally injured by an enemy grenade. Sergeant Kowskie's heroic initiative and selfless devotion to duty 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 - San Francisco, California.

B - San Francisco, California.

261677
DGP-298-eln

ComSevFM
Spot Award
Serial 01017
Signed SEP 23 1944

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

GUNNERY SERGEANT JOHN M. KOZAK, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

“For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Member of a Combat Patrol of Units serving with the Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Cape Gloucester, New Britain, January 26, 1944. When his unit was ambushed and one Marine seriously wounded while voluntarily leading a reconnaissance patrol deep into hostile territory, Gunnery Sergeant Kozak courageously advanced to within thirty yards of the Japanese lines and successfully removed his wounded comrade to a protected position. Promptly returning to the fire fight, he repeatedly exposed himself to a ruthless enemy to direct the fire of his men and, after inflicting heavy casualties on Japanese troops, withdrew his unit to safety. Returning to the scene of ambush, Gunnery Sergeant Kozak obtained accurate information regarding terrain and the location of hostile machine-gun emplacements vital to the completion of his patrol's mission. His valiant fighting spirit and unswerving devotion to duty with complete disregard for his own personal safety were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.”

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Woodside, Long Island, N.Y.
B - Scranton, Penna.

353631
DGP-298-gjd

Spot Award.
Serial 829.
Signed AUG 27 1943

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

PRIVATE EDWARD K. KOZLOWSKI, USMCR.,

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 Matanikau River Area, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on October 5, 1942. In spite of heavy enemy fire, Private Kozlowski, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, voluntarily went to the aid of a wounded comrade. Unable to carry the injured man without assistance, Private Kozlowski removed the man's automatic weapon so that it would not fall into enemy hands, and then with another marine made a second attempt to effect the rescue, but found his comrade had succumbed. A little later, going to the aid of his wounded platoon leader, Private Kozlowski assisted in removing him to safety. His great courage and unselfish 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 - Hamtramck, Michigan.

B - Hamtramck, Michigan, 7-19-1917.

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DGP-298-rikz

Cinepac

Appd SofN 11-21-45

Serial 37593

Signed JAN 15 1947

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS KENNETH A. KRAFT,
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 I, Third Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 22 February 1945. Alert and aggressive, Private First Class Kraft spotted a wounded comrade in front of the platoon's lines at a critical period of the action when the enemy's blanketing mortar and artillery barrage was inflicting severe casualties on his unit. Quick to act, he voluntarily crawled approximately thirty feet to the wounded Marine and, braving the savage fury of Japanese fire, carried his comrade to a shell hole where he promptly administered first aid. Returning to his platoon, he organized a rescue party and subsequently assisted in evacuating the Marine, thereby saving the life of the wounded man. Although mortally wounded by a burst of machine-gun fire later in the day, Private First Class Kraft, by his dauntless initiative and unfaltering devotion to duty in the face of tremendous opposition, had rendered valiant service 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--Seymour, Wisconsin.

B--Dorchester, Wisconsin.

08794
DGP-298-egc

CG, FMF, Pac
Serial 11740
Appd SofN 4-19-45
Signed AUG 29 1945

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

CAPTAIN RAYMOND C. KRAUS, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

“For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Executive Officer of a Weapons Company attached to the Twenty-Third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 27 June 1944. Volunteering to lead a patrol in search of an enemy field piece which was inflicting heavy casualties and disrupting the movement of company supplies, Captain Kraus succeeded in locating the destructive weapon and, with his men, was immediately subjected to its merciless, concentrated fire. While attempting to guide his group back with the vital information, Captain Kraus was mortally wounded. By his daring leadership and alert initiative, he had contributed materially to the ultimate success of our mission on this enemy stronghold, and his courageous 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--Tacoma, Washington
B--Raymond, Washington

pers cit, ltr fr CMC, pres by 1stLt Charles A. Harrington, Jr., MCR on 4-45 to the widow of the late Capt Kraus, Mrs Raymond C. Kraus, 1618 So. Adams St., Spokane, Wash.

402241
DGP-288-egg

Spot Award
Serial 002710
Signed AUG 10 1944

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GORDON R. KRAUSE, USMCR.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action while serving with the Ninth Defense Battalion, Fleet Marine Force, operating against enemy Japanese forces in the Solomon Islands Area on July 26, 1943. When a tank was disabled by a magnetic mine in enemy territory, Private First Class Krause realized that it might be used by the Japanese against our forces and, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, volunteered to tow it to our lines. Leaving his own tank, he ran into the open and, in the face of hostile fire from snipers, machine guns and mortars, helped to attach a cable to the crippled tank and secure it to another. Then entering the damaged machine, he assisted in guiding it back within range of our lines, thereby preventing the use of its tremendous fire power against our own troops. Private First Class Krause's extreme valor and unselfish devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

RALPH A. BARD

R--Milwaukee, Wisconsin
B--Greenbay, Wisconsin

Secretary of the Navy.
Acting

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Serial 56881 DEC 10 1947
Signed-----

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERT E. KREIDER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while
serving with a Rifle Platoon of Company A, First Battalion,
Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against
enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 3 May
1945. Braving enemy fire, hand grenades and satchel
charges, being hurled from the hill top while his company
was pinned down, Private First Class Kreider crawled to
the top of the ridge and from this exposed position, killed
a number of the enemy, thereby inspiring the other men in
his unit to advance to the ridge top and secure the objec-
tive. His courageous fighting spirit and devotion to duty
were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United
States Naval Service."

R-Tebanon, Pa.
B-Lebanon, Pa.

For the President,

JOHN L. CULLEN

Secretary of the Navy.

224426

DDP-298-sjs

Cincpac

Appd 88N 1-10-46

Serial 37881

Signed FEB 28 1947

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

PLATOON SERGEANT JAMES E. KREINER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Platoon Sergeant, serving with Company E, Second Battalion, Twenty-ninth Marines, Sixth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Okinawa in the Ryukyu Group, on 12 April 1945. When a group of the enemy suddenly fired upon his squad during a dangerous reconnaissance mission, Platoon Sergeant Kreiner fought gallantly throughout the ensuing engagement until he was cut off from his men by the blistering shellfire. Proceeding alone, he boldly engaged the outnumbering enemy in a bitter fire fight, killing the leader and four more of the Japanese before his own weapon jammed. Determined to disperse the remainder, he dauntlessly continued his advance and, hurling grenades with deadly effect, silenced the fire and enabled his squad to resume its patrol. By his inspiring leadership, outstanding fortitude and daring aggressiveness in the face of tremendous odds, Platoon Sergeant Kreiner contributed materially to the success of the bitterly fought Okinawa Campaign and his valiant 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- Billings, Montana
E- Brown City, Michigan

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DGP-298-ebg

ComGenFMFPac Ser 00396-45
Signed_____

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

PRIVATE WILBUR J. KREISLER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Leader of a Demolition Team with an Infantry Platoon of Company A, First Engineer Battalion, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 15 September 1944. When his platoon was held up by heavy enemy fire from two well fortified emplacements, Private Kreisler went forward under the covering fire of his comrades and, in the face of intense enemy mortar, rifle and machine-gun fire, placed demolition charges on the pillboxes, completely demolishing the position and killing several of the enemy. His courage, initiative and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Private Kreisler and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Irvington, N. J.
B--Irvington, N. J.

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DGP-298-Navy-RDA

FMFPac
SPOT
Serial 44533
Signed _____

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

CORPORAL CHARLES H. KREMER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Litter Bearer of the Third Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 14 March 1945. When the Commanding Officer of a rifle team was wounded by enemy machine-gun fire and fell in an exposed position closely covered by hostile fire, Corporal Kremer, unwilling to risk the lives of the other litter bearers on such a dangerous mission, courageously crawled forward alone to the wounded officer and dragged him back to a point where evacuation was possible. On another occasion, he went forward of the front lines in company with a corpsman and removed a wounded Marine from a rifle fire lane to safety. Serving at various times throughout the Iwo Campaign as a rifleman, gunner in an 81-mm. mortar platoon and with a litter team, Corporal Kremer contributed materially to the success of his unit in these operations and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

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

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

307222
DGP-238-dmf

Spot Award
Serial 1429
Signed NOV 4 1945

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

CORPORAL JOHN KRENZEL, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while a member of the Second Battalion, Eighth Marines, Reinforced, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, January 2-4, 1943. After enemy mortar and machine-gun fire had caused numerous casualties in his battalion's defensive position, Corporal Krenzel courageously volunteered to lead a small patrol into dangerous hostile territory and, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, captured and destroyed enemy arms and ammunition. Diligently working together for two days in a treacherous wooded ravine, Corporal Krenzel's patrol, under his daring leadership, so successfully reduced the enemy's effective fire that a repeat attack on the same enemy positions was possible without the loss of a single man. Corporal Krenzel's keen judgment and personal valor in the performance of an important task were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Chicago, Illinois.

B - Chicago, Illinois.

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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

CORPORAL ANTHONY KRONBERG,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Crew Chief of an Amphibian Tractor of the First Amphibian Tractor Battalion, Fleet Marine Force, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Pelelieu, Palau Islands, on 16 September 1944. Although suffering from a previous wound sustained in a mine explosion which disabled his own tractor, Corporal Kronberg courageously volunteered to guide an amphibian tractor through an open mine field. Persevering in his mission, he succeeded in opening a road through the mine field for the movement of vital supplies and was guiding the tractor on the return trip from the front lines when he was severely wounded by a mortar shell which struck the vehicle. His initiative and courage throughout this hazardous mission reflect the highest credit upon Corporal Kronberg and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

R-New York, N. Y.
B- New York, N. Y.

023597
DGP-286-egc

CincPac
Appd SofM 1-18-45
Serial 004260
Signed MAY 10 1945

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

SECOND LIEUTENANT ARTHUR J. KRONCKE, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

“For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Leader of a Rifle Platoon attached to the First Battalion, Twenty-First Marines, Third Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on the Asan-Adelup Beachhead, Guam, Marianas Islands, 25 July 1944. With his platoon pinned down by a pounding barrage of hostile automatic-weapons fire during a bold strike against enemy positions in the quarry area, Second Lieutenant Kroncke courageously advanced toward the leading supporting tank in a valiant effort to direct its fire against the Japanese machine gun retarding the advance of his unit. Unhesitatingly exposing himself to an intense barrage from enemy weapons, he repeatedly attempted to establish contact with the armored vehicle by telephone until he was fatally wounded by Japanese rifle fire. Second Lieutenant Kroncke's daring initiative and great personal valor in the face of grave 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 FORNESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Jersey City, N. J.

B--Brooklyn, N. Y.

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SPOT
CinC Pac
Ser 4987

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JACK E. KRUEGER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a member of Special Weapons Battalion, Special Troops, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces in the Marshall Islands Area on 12 February 1944. During a severe bombing attack by enemy aircraft, Private First Class Krueger bravely left his place of shelter to safeguard vehicles and antiaircraft guns located within seventy-five yards of an exploding and burning ammunition dump. By his outstanding courage, daring initiative and selfless devotion to duty in the face of grave danger, Private First Class Krueger was greatly instrumental in saving large quantities of materiel from destruction by fire and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

DAN A. KIMBALL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Flint, Michigan
B - Flint, Michigan

Re: citation should have read while serving as a member of Battery A, Fourth Special Weapons Battalion etc. It man writes in about this mistake it should be corrected.

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DGP-298-eln

Spot Medal
Serial 0058
Signed MAY 22 1944

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WILLIAM J. H. KRUEGER, USMCR.,
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 numerically superior enemy Japanese forces near Kolari, Bougainville, Solomon Islands, on November 29, 1943. Although painfully wounded when a hostile mortar scored a direct hit on his machine gun during a fierce engagement, Private First Class Krueger immediately restored the weapon to operating condition and, refusing to leave his position for medical treatment, courageously manned his gun throughout the entire day of concentrated fighting. His valiant conduct and unselfish devotion to duty under extremely hazardous conditions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R...Dubuque, Iowa

B... " "

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DGP 298 Navy fbb

FufPacSpotSer 46173
Signed _____

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

SERGEANT FRANK KRYWICKI,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Platoon Sergeant of an Assault Demolition Platoon of Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, Twenty-fourth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 4 March 1945. After leading one of his assault squads to a front line rifle company pinned down by heavy enemy fire from a series of caves, Sergeant Krywicki directed his men in hurling satchel charges into the caves. Each time the charges were thrown into one of the caves the enemy pulled the fuse from the charges, rendering them harmless and, when a charge with a shorter fuse was thrown into the cave, it was hurled out of the cave and exploded immediately, killing the demolition man and seriously wounding Sergeant Krywicki. Although suffering from great pain, he prepared another satchel charge and threw it into the cave and succeeded in killing all Japanese within. By his courage, aggressiveness and determination, Sergeant Krywicki greatly aided his squad in completing their mission, and his conduct throughout upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

R- Grand Rapids, Mich.
B- Ferry, Mich.

kCitation only

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

850590
DGP-298-pmb

FMFPac.
SPOT
Ser. 50040

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GEORGE KUCIK, JR.,
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, Twenty-first Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 24 February 1945. Dispatched by his Platoon Leader with an oral message of greatest urgency, Private First Class Kucik crossed two hundred yards of open terrain in the face of intense hostile artillery, mortar and small-arms fire and, while passing through this area, was blinded by an enemy grenade. Continuing toward his objective, he asked to be led to the Company Command Post and, despite his injuries, repeated his message three times and also gave the location of a fallen Marine whom he had seen prior to being blinded. His perseverance, 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--Chicago, Ill.,
B--Ziegler, Ill.

Secretary of the Navy.

315908
DGP-298-rf

Spot Award
Serial 00380
Signed SEP 24 1943

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

***** CORPORAL ANTHONY E. KUJAWINSKI, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

a U.S. warship
"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving aboard the U.S.S. BROOKLYN during the assault on and occupation of French Morocco from November 8 to 11, 1942. In a fierce engagement with hostile surface forces, Corporal Kujawinski, serving as a member of the crew of an anti-aircraft gun, was painfully wounded by enemy shellfire. With complete disregard for his own suffering and discomfort, he courageously and voluntarily returned to his post immediately after his injuries had been treated and dressed. His indomitable fighting spirit 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,
FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

***** Name legally changed to EDWARDS, Anthony 6-9-50.

R - Grand Rapids, Michigan

B - Grand Rapids, Michigan, 5-11-1919

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KUJAWINSKI, Anthony Edward Cpl USMCR 315908

SILVER STAR

Citation filed under Legal name of EDWARDS, Anthony USMC 034906

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SPOT
Serial 22940
Signed CI 23 1947

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

SERGEANT FRANCIS S. KUKULSKI,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Squad Leader of an Engineer Assault Squad of Company A, First Battalion, Twentieth Marines (Engineer), Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan from 15 June to 10 July 1944 and on Tinian, Marianas Islands, from 24 July to 1 August 1944. Faced with intense enemy fire upon landing on Saipan, Sergeant Kukulski immediately reorganized his detachment of assault engineers and proceeded to a prearranged position with an assault company. After enemy troops had reoccupied a building only twenty-five yards from our front lines and were effectively firing on our troops and all other means to evict them had failed, he assisted in placing demolition charges in the building, thereby destroying the structure and neutralizing the position. As squad leader of an engineering assault squad, he personally led his men in numerous assaults on enemy-held pillboxes, caves and dugouts and his leadership and gallant devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Sergeant Kukulski and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Sayreville, N. J.
B--Sayreville, N. J.

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Serial-01489
Signed _____

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WILLIAM P. KULBIEDA,
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, 22 November 1943. With his company pinned down and suffering heavy casualties from heavy enemy fire emanating from a large bomb-proof shelter, Private First Class Kulbieda moved forward with four companions under intense enemy shellfire to a favorable position for providing cover for the advancing demolition squad. After the shelter had been partially demolished and approximately one hundred Japanese troops annihilated, he again advanced with his comrades as two hundred of the enemy emerged from the entrance firing rifles and light machine guns in an effort to withdraw and establish a new defense. Engaging the outnumbering force in close combat, he contributed to the success of his unit in accounting for many more hostile troops, thereby enabling the battalion to advance and occupy the northeast section of the island. His courage and devotion to duty throughout reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Kulbieda and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R-Chicago, Illinois
B-Chicago, Illinois

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

447818
DGP-298-mvm

FMFPac
SPOT
Serial 6112
Signed _____

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

CORPORAL WILLIAM P. KULBIEDA,
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, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, on 28 June 1944. When one of his men was wounded in front of our lines, Corporal Kulbieda bravely crawled through the intense hostile gunfire in an attempt to reach his wounded comrade. Although wounded himself during this action, he courageously continued working his way forward until assured that the Marine was dead. His courage, devotion to duty and grave concern for the welfare of another were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

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For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

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

357654
DGP-298-egc

CinPac
Appd Sofn 1-18-45
Serial 004423
Signed May 16 1945

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS KENNETH V. KULD, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Demolition Corporal serving with the Third Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 16 September 1944. When a central point in our defenses was threatened during a vicious onslaught by enemy units, Private First Class Kuld unhesitatingly crawled forward under a withering barrage of hostile rifle, machine-gun and mortar fire to the weakened position and courageously launched a daring, single-handed attack, fiercely hurling grenades and firing his weapon into the on-rushing Japanese troops until they were driven back. Although seriously wounded by shrapnel, he steadfastly held his ground and continued to fight with determined aggressiveness until he was killed by hostile rifle fire. By his daring initiative and great personal valor in the face of grave peril, Private First Class Kuld was responsible in a large measure for the successful repulse of a major Japanese attack, and his selfless 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-Tyler, Minn
B-Marshfield Township, Minn

SSM, perm cit, ltr fr CMC pres by OinC, Minneapolis, Minn, Maj. M. A., Reep, on 9-26-45 to the parents of the late PFC Kuld, Mr. and Mrs Louis Kuld, In Tyler, Minn, inf pres.

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Cincpac
AppdSofN-10-24-45
Serial-35625
Signed AUG 30 1945

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

STAFF SERGEANT FRANK A. KULIGOWSKI,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Acting Platoon Leader of Company C, Fifth Engineer Battalion, Fifth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, from 19 February to 24 March 1945. When his platoon leader was wounded in action within an hour after landing on D-Day, Staff Sergeant Kuligowski immediately assumed command and, reorganizing the platoon under heavy mortar and machine-gun fire, continued to support his landing team with demolitions. Consistently aggressive, he led his platoon in the attack on Mount Suribachi and, forging ahead with iron determination, succeeded in destroying a total of one hundred and thirty caves, one hundred and five pillboxes and six coastal emplacements. His efficiency in immobilizing enemy mine fields and his superb skill in the demolition of hostile positions contributed immeasurably to the success of the landing team to which he was attached during the early critical period of hostilities. Attacking in the vicinity of Hill 362 on D-Day plus 11, he led two squads in support of the company on his left flank. When the advance of the infantry was suddenly held up by concealed enemy weapons, he boldly made a personal reconnaissance in advance of the lines to locate these positions, subsequently ordering and accurately spotting artillery fire, after which he directed his platoon in an assault with demolitions, thereby destroying the Japanese positions completely and allowing the infantry to advance. By his daring tactics, dauntless leadership and indomitable fighting spirit throughout, Staff Sergeant Kuligowski upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

--South Amboy, New Jersey,
--South Amboy, New Jersey.

Secretary of the Navy.

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

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERT D. KURKJIAN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Headquarters and Service Battery, Sixteenth Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, First Provisional Antiaircraft Artillery Group, Fleet Marine Force, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa Shima, Ryukyu Islands, 11 May 1945. Quick to act when he observed several of the enemy advancing upon a stricken Marine who had fallen wounded before a Japanese cave, Private First Class Kurkjian left his covered position and, firing upon the enemy as he ran up the slope to the emplacement, succeeded in diverting hostile fire from his fellow comrade to himself. Although severely wounded, he courageously pressed on, killing two of the Japanese and forcing the remainder to withdraw into the cave before he fell, mortally wounded. By his daring and self-sacrificing action, Private First Class Kurkjian had enabled his comrades to rescue a wounded man who otherwise might have perished, and his 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 FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Oakland, California,

B--Fresno, California.

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

CORPORAL STANLEY J. KURTYKA,
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 F, Second Battalion, Twenty-fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 13 March 1945. Wounded while leading his squad through heavy hostile fire, Corporal Kurtyka continued in the attack and, although wounded a second time necessitating immediate treatment by a corpsman, refused evacuation and remained to direct his unit until the mission was accomplished. 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

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 DONALD R. KURTZ,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Wireman in Company K, Third Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa Shima, Ryukyu Islands, on 21 May 1945. When the communications lines were damaged during a heavy enemy mortar and artillery barrage, Private Kurtz courageously inched his way through the intense fire to repair the lines. Although painfully wounded when hit by bursting shell fragments, he bravely continued to restore the damaged lines until he lost consciousness and had to be evacuated. By his daring initiative, undaunted determination and unswerving devotion to duty, Private Kurtz contributed materially to the successful maintenance of communication facilities and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

DAN A. KIMBALL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Gardner, Kansas
B - Eudora, Kansas

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Signed _____

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

GUNNERY SERGEANT EDWARD J. KUTCHIE,
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 E, Second Battalion, Ninth Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Fonte Hill, Guam, Marianas Islands, on 26 July 1944. When heavy enemy rifle and machine-gun fire inflicted numerous casualties and momentarily halted the advance of his platoon during the initial attack, Gunnery Sergeant Kutchie moved twenty-five yards forward of the front lines in the face of heavy short range enemy rifle and machine-gun fire on two occasions and carried two wounded men to cover. Then, personally leading three tanks to within fifty yards of the enemy positions, he directed their fire to cover the evacuation of the remaining casualties of his platoon, receiving a serious shrapnel wound in the face during this action. 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-Grand Rapids, Mich.

B-Grand Rapids, Mich.

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

MAJOR WOOD B. KYLE, 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 Executive Officer of ~~the First Battalion, Second Marine~~ *Battalion* in action against enemy Japanese forces in the Matanikau River Sector, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, from November 1, 1942 to January 14, 1943. Refusing to be evacuated when he was wounded in action during the vital offensive operations of his battalion, Major Kyle assumed command of the battalion after the commanding officer had been forced to withdraw as a result of serious wounds, and with keen initiative and aggressive leadership successfully drove through relentless Japanese resistance to capture his objective. In the final assault launched in the same area, Major Kyle further distinguished himself when, by his dauntless courage and expert professional ability, he completed his assigned mission within four hours of its initiation. His exemplary conduct and unwavering devotion to duty throughout the entire active period were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Whitney, Texas.

B - Pecos, Texas.

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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

MAJOR WOOD B. KYLE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of the First Battalion, Second Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, from 20 to 24 November 1943. Landing with his troops during the initial stages of the fierce hostilities on D-Day, Major Kyle immediately directed his companies in the bitter assault against a fanatic enemy and, despite the extreme danger, personally commanded his men in brilliantly executed attacks against the heavily defended central sector of the island. Assuming control of the remnants of one of the battalions of his regiment the following day, he promptly reorganized the unit for further sustained operations against the strongly entrenched Japanese. By his forceful and inspiring leadership, his daring combat tactics and cool and courageous action in the face of grave peril, Major Kyle contributed materially to the success of our forces in capturing this vital hostile stronghold and his zealous devotion to duty throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Whitney, Texas.,
B--Pecos, Texas.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.