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

Second Lieutenant Alwyn D. Conger, 0887446, Field Artillery, 113th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations in Germany on 26 March 1945. Lieutenant Conger, a forward observer, moved through enemy fire to a point where he was able to place an effective artillery concentration on enemy guns which had halted his unit's advance, quickly silencing them. He then advanced behind assaulting infantry until he was fired on by an enemy machine gun. Crawling out, he advanced and killed the entire machine gun crew. When he was again fired on from a group of houses, he fired into the enemy positions to point out the target for a 105mm gun which soon led to the surrender of thirty-one of the enemy. The extraordinary heroism and courageous action of Lieutenant Conger reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Utah.

Sergeant Kenneth L. Gaines, 34826664, Infantry, 320th Infantry Regiment, 35th Infantry Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations in Germany on 9 and 10 April 1945. Sergeant Gaines voluntarily led a night reconnaissance patrol behind enemy lines and secured valuable information. During an attack the following morning, Sergeant Gaines led his squad in an assault against an enemy emplacement which so surprised the enemy that the four occupants surrendered without any resistance. Later, on his own initiative, Sergeant Gaines moved his squad around a road block and led a running assault on an enemy-held building from the rear, killing two and capturing twelve of the enemy. The extraordinary heroism and courageous actions of Sergeant Gaines reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

Sergeant James R. Kellogg, 39549046, Infantry, 333rd Infantry Regiment, 84th Infantry Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations in Germany on 13 April 1945. Encountering intense small arms fire while approaching an enemy town, Sergeant Kellogg led his squad in an attack, personally killing four of the enemy and taking seven prisoners. Later, he shot five enemy defending a bridge, after which he severed all wires leading to demolition charges on the structure. When tanks of his column were again halted by enemy fire, he led another attack overpowering the enemy with hand grenades. Sergeant Kellogg personally killed or wounded nine and captured thirty of the enemy. The extraordinary heroism and courageous actions of Sergeant Kellogg reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class William H. Moriarty, 36060625, Chemical Warfare Service, 3rd Chemical Mortar Battalion, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations in Germany on 22 April 1945. While under

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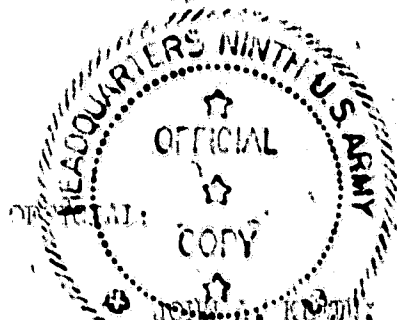
intense enemy fire, Private Horarity, although realizing the danger involved, volunteered to recover a vitally needed machine gun to repel an enemy attack. He, and another soldier, dashed for the gun and although wounded he continued forward, gathered the ammunition and returned to his position. The extraordinary heroism and courageous action of Private Horarity reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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

Second Lieutenant Walter J. Pustelnik, 02006432, Infantry, 379th Infantry Regiment, 95th Infantry Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations in Germany on 4 March 1945. While leading his platoon in an assault on a fortified building, Lieutenant Pustelnik was mortally wounded thirty yards before the objective was reached. The assault wavered before the enemy's fierce fire. Seeing what was taking place, Lieutenant Pustelnik called upon his faltering comrades to renew their attack. His voice was heard by the enemy who, sensing the leadership still exercised by him, concentrated fire on his prone figure. His defiance had already invoked a fierce determination in his men and they charged forward to completely overwhelm the enemy. The extraordinary heroism and courageous action of Lieutenant Pustelnik reflect great credit upon himself and uphold the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal Carl Wilson, 35257505, Chemical Warfare Service, 3rd Chemical Mortar Battalion, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations in Germany on 22 April 1945. While under intense enemy fire, Corporal Wilson, although realizing the danger involved, volunteered to recover a vitally needed machine gun to repel an enemy attack. He and another soldier dashed for the gun and although he was mortally wounded he recovered the weapon and staggered back, dropping it at the feet of his comrades. The extraordinary heroism and courageous action of Corporal Wilson reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

By command of Lieutenant General JETSON:



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