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- I. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS.
- II. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE.
- III. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE (STAR).

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 James L. Hansen, 02012004, (then Technical Sergeant) Infantry, 405th Infantry Regiment, 102nd Infantry Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations in Germany on 23 February 1945. After crossing the Roer River, Lieutenant Hansen reorganized the scattered elements of his platoon and led them toward their objective. When their advance was threatened by concealed enemy fire, he moved courageously over fire-swept terrain to direct fire on the harassing emplacements. After killing one enemy gunner, he crawled forward and dispatched three more and then led his platoon forward into another attack. Through his courage and exemplary leadership Lieutenant Hansen was largely responsible for the success of his platoon in reaching its objective. The extraordinary heroism and courageous action of Lieutenant Hansen is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

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

The 91st Evacuation Hospital for superior execution of duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks. From 10 June 1944 to 8 May 1945, the 91st Evacuation Hospital rendered meritorious service in the accomplishment of its numerous duties on the continent. Throughout this period this unit achieved and maintained a high standard of discipline and demonstrated superior performance in every duty it was assigned. The conduct of the 91st Evacuation Hospital is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service.

The 421st Medical Collecting Company for superior execution of duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks. From 15 September 1944 to 1 June 1945, the 421st Medical Collecting Company rendered meritorious service in the accomplishment of its numerous duties on the continent. Throughout this period this unit achieved and maintained a high standard of discipline and demonstrated superior performance in every duty it was assigned. The conduct of the 421st Medical Collecting Company is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service.

The 564th Motor Ambulance Company for superior execution of duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks. From 13 June 1944 to 31 August 1944, the 564th Motor Ambulance Company rendered meritorious service in the accomplishment of its numerous duties on the continent. Throughout this period

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this unit achieved and maintained a high standard of discipline and demonstrated superior performance in every duty it was assigned. The conduct of the 564th Motor Ambulance Company is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service.

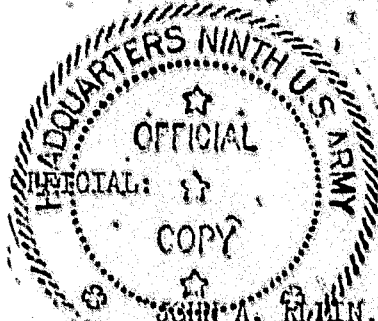
The 633rd Medical Clearing Company for superior execution of duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks. From 1 January 1945 to 31 March 1945, the 633rd Medical Clearing Company rendered meritorious service in the accomplishment of its numerous duties on the continent. Throughout this period this unit achieved and maintained a high standard of discipline and demonstrated superior performance in every duty it was assigned. The conduct of the 633rd Medical Clearing Company is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service.

The 3473rd Ordnance Medium Automotive Maintenance Company for superior execution of duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks. From 2 March 1945 to 2 May 1945, the 3473rd Ordnance Medium Automotive Maintenance Company rendered meritorious service in the accomplishment of its numerous duties on the continent. Throughout this period, this unit achieved and maintained a high standard of discipline and demonstrated superior performance in every duty it was assigned. The conduct of the 3473rd Ordnance Medium Automotive Maintenance Company is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service.

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

The 974th Ordnance Evacuation Company for superior execution of duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks. From 25 October 1944 to 25 April 1945, the 974th Ordnance Evacuation Company rendered meritorious service in the accomplishment of its numerous duties on the continent. Throughout this period, this unit achieved and maintained a high standard of discipline and demonstrated superior performance in every duty it was assigned. The conduct of the 974th Ordnance Evacuation Company is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service.

By command of Major General MOORE:



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