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## AWARD OF DIST WOUISHED SERVICE CROSS

By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir 32, Hq ETC US Army, 20 Mar 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to:

Major General HOBART R GAY, 07323, United States Army, then Brigadier General, Deputy Chief of Staff, Third United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy. On 11 November 1944, when the operations of the 90th Infantry Division of the Third Army were in great peril, General GAY made an inspection of the bridging operations over the flooded Moselle River and of the forward elements of the Division east of the Moselle from Halling to Koenigsmacker. In spite of intense enemy fires from small arms, artillery, high velocity direct fire weapons, General GAY continued his mission inspiring all ranks by his cool and courageous conduct and sound and encouraging advice. His presence and assistance at this critical moment lent new confidence to the command and insured the continued bold and determined advance to objectives. His actions are in keeping with the highest traditions of the service. Entered military service from Illinois.

G./S. PATTON, JR., General, U. S. Army, Commanding.

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