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**I. DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS.**—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Distinguished-Service Cross was awarded by the War Department to the following-named officer:

Major *William R. Cameron*, O-727169 (then captain), Air Corps, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in operations against the Ploesti oil refineries of Rumania on 1 August 1943. As commanding officer of the • • • Bombardment Squadron, Major *Cameron* was leading his squadron of B-24D type aircraft in a daring low-level raid on an important oil refinery when, some 10 miles from the target, his airplane was subjected to intense gunfire from enemy installations. Realizing that to take the normal evasive action customary would disrupt the formation, Major *Cameron*, rather than risk the success of so vital a mission, held his course straight to the target, even though it had been previously attacked and delayed-action bombs were bursting among the blazing oil tanks. By his accurate piloting and brave determination Major *Cameron* contributed highly to the successful destruction of the objective.

**II. DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE MEDAL.**—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Distinguished-Service Medal was awarded by the War Department to the following-named officers:

Major General *Harold R. Bull*, O-3707, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service to the Government while in positions of great responsibility as Commanding General, Replacement and School Command, and Commanding General, III Corps. General *Bull* commanded the Replacement and School Command during the period of the Army's great need for technically trained personnel. Under his guidance and as a result of his thorough knowledge of training requirements based on the needs of the Army, the wartime expansion of Army Ground Forces schools was accomplished with the highest degree of efficiency. His continued efforts contributed largely to the successful transition and modernization of doctrines and training presented in the various schools. As a result of his indefatigable attention to duty and keen appreciation of the problems, Army Ground Forces training centers and service schools were able to produce trained officers and enlisted specialists of such caliber and in such numbers as to meet the most exacting combat requirements. General *Bull* commanded the III Corps during the period of its participation in maneuvers in the Tennessee maneuver area during the summer of 1943. As a result of his superb leadership and brilliant tactical intelligence, the



**IX. AIR MEDAL AND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.**—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal and bronze Oak-Leaf Clusters were awarded by the War Department to the following named officers for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained antisubmarine patrol activity. Accomplishment of many of these missions was made under the hazards of unfavorable weather conditions and the possibility of encountering antiaircraft fire. These services reflect highest credit on the military forces of the United States. The citations are as follows:

**1. Air Medal.**

First Lieutenant *Howard H. Fleming*, O-41687, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from December 1941 to September 1942.  
 Captain *Harry E. Goldsworthy*, O-342259, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from December 1941 to April 1942.  
 Captain *Earle R. Myers*, O-393185, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from December 1941 to April 1942.  
 Captain *Richard E. Tiede*, O-411739, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from December 1941 to April 1942.

**2. Oak-Leaf Cluster.**

First Lieutenant *Howard H. Fleming*, O-41687, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from October 1942 to February 1943.  
 Captain *Harry E. Goldsworthy*, O-342259, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from May to September 1942.  
 Captain *Earle R. Myers*, O-393185, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from May to September 1942.  
 Captain *Richard E. Tiede*, O-411739, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from May to September 1942.

**3. Second Oak-Leaf Cluster.**

Captain *Harry E. Goldsworthy*, O-342259, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from October to December 1942.  
 Captain *Earle R. Myers*, O-393185, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from October to December 1942.  
 Captain *Richard E. Tiede*, O-411739, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from October to December 1942.

**4. Third Oak-Leaf Cluster.**

Captain *Harry E. Goldsworthy*, O-342259, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from January to March 1943.  
 Captain *Earle R. Myers*, O-393185, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from January to April 1943.  
 Captain *Richard E. Tiede*, O-411739, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from January to March 1943.

**5. Fourth Oak-Leaf Cluster.**

Captain *Harry E. Goldsworthy*, O-342259, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot during April and May 1943.  
 Captain *Richard E. Tiede*, O-411739, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot during April and May 1943.

**X. BATTLE HONORS.**—As authorized by Executive Order No. 9696, (sec. I, Bull. 22, WD, 1943) superseding Executive Order No. 9075 (sec. III, Bull. 11, WD, 1942), citation of the following unit by the Commanding General, Fifth Army, under the provisions of section IV, Circular No. 838,  
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War Department, 1943, in the name of the President of the United States as public evidence of deserved honor and distinction, is confirmed. The citation reads as follows:

The 3d Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy on 9 September 1943 during the invasion of Italy. The battalion landed in assault waves on the Paestum beaches south of Salerno, in the face of withering artillery, machine-gun, and mortar fire from organized and fortified enemy positions. In the early morning hours the enemy launched a counterattack supported by tanks which was stopped by the battalion. Cut off from supplies and reinforcements by the deadly enemy fire, the assault units nevertheless continued their advance against enemy positions while under continual enemy shelling. A second tank attack was repelled by the intrepid force. With the unit on the right flank pinned down by machine-gun fire and the unit on the left delayed in landing, the 3d Battalion bore the full brunt of the initial German fire power and counterattacks, both frontal and flanking, yet the officers and enlisted men of the battalion doggedly advanced, without artillery support or assistance from adjacent units. Only through their courageous performance was the initial divisional objective achieved. In the midst of unceasing enemy fire and often in the face of certain death, duties were performed unhesitatingly and with utter disregard for personal safety. The courage and devotion to duty shown by members of the 3d Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, are worthy of emulation and reflect the highest traditions of the Army of the United States.

**XI. LEGION OF MERIT.**—So much of section III, General Orders, No. 8, War Department, 1944, as pertains to Lieutenant Colonel *Walter J. Wagner*, O-23509, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

Major *Walter J. Wagner*, O-23509, Air Corps, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services. Through his ingenuity and initiative in connection with minimum altitude bombing he developed and turned over to the United States Government a combined gunsight and low altitude bombsight. He has played the major role in the development of flying technique for this type of bombing. Through personal instruction and demonstrations to personnel of the Army, the Navy, and the Marine Corps, Major *Wagner* has made his technique common knowledge in all the armed services. His interest in his work and his untiring efforts to develop this sight and bombing technique have resulted in a valuable contribution to the United States Army.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

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