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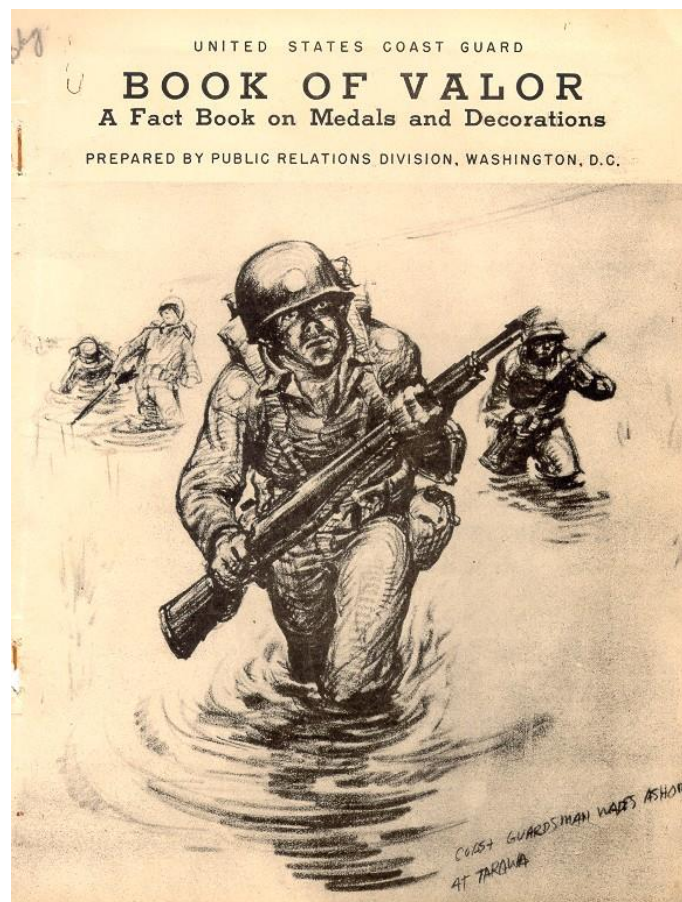
Book of Valor

A Fact Book on Medals and Decorations

[awarded to Coast Guardsmen for valor during World War II]

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The following is a publication issued by the Coast Guard's Public Affairs Division in May of 1945 that lists those Coast Guardsmen who were awarded decorations of the Air Medal or higher during World War II, along with their citations. Additionally, there were three supplemental sections added to the publication to cover those who earned awards for the remaining months of the war and these supplements are included as well. Supplemental List No. 3 included those individuals who were authorized to wear the Commendation Ribbon.

Coast Guardsmen were awarded a total of 532 medals (these included the following medals: Air Medal, Bronze Star, Navy & Marine Corps Medal, Distinguished Flying Cross, Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Distinguished Service Medal, Navy Cross, and the Medal of Honor as well as awards from foreign governments). A total of 516 Coast Guard officers and men were awarded the Commendation Ribbon while another 957 were awarded the Purple Heart.

The publication was organized alphabetically, subdivided by the recipients' home state. The chapter headings are as follows (click on the chapter heading to go directly to that chapter):

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DECORATIONS AND MEDALS

Medal of Honor

Awarded to any person who, while in the naval service of the United States, shall, in action involving actual combat with the enemy or in the line of his profession, distinguish himself conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of duty and without detriment to his mission. Awarded for combat or non-combat action.

Authorized by : Act of December 21, 1861; act of March 3, 1901; act of March 3, 1915; act of February 4, 1919; and act of August 7, 1942, which supersedes previous acts.

Navy Cross

Awarded to any person serving any capacity with the naval service of the United States who distinguishes himself by extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy. Awarded for combat action only.

Authorized by; Act of February 4, 1919, and act of August 7, 1942.

Distinguished Service Medal



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Awarded to any person who, while serving in any capacity with the Navy of the United States , since April 6, 1917, has distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service to the Government in a duty of great responsibility. Awarded for combat or non-combat action

Authorized by : Act of February 4, 1919 and act of August 7, 1942.

Legion of Merit

Awarded to personnel of the armed forces of the United States and the Philippines ; and personnel of the armed forces of friendly foreign nations who since September 8, 1939, shall have distinguished themselves by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services. Awarded in four different degrees - Chief Commander, Commander, Officer, and Legionnaire. Awarded for combat or non-combat action.

Authorized by: Act of July 20, 1942, and Executive Order No. 9260 of October 29, 1942.

Silver Star Medal

Awarded to any person who, while serving in any capacity with the Navy of the United States , since December 6, 1941, had distinguished himself conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity in action, not sufficient to justify the award of Medal of Honor or Navy Cross. Awarded for combat action only.

Authorized by: Act of August 7, 1942.

Distinguished Flying Cross

Awarded to any person who, while serving in any capacity with the Air Corps of the Army, National Guard, and Organized Reserves or with the United States Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard, subsequently to April 6, 1917 had distinguished himself by heroism or extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight. Members of military, naval, or air forces of foreign Governments while serving with the United States are also eligible. Awarded for combat or non-combat action.

Authorized by: Act of July 2, 1926, executive Order No. 4576 of January 28, 1927 and Executive Order No. 7786 of January 8, 1938.

Navy & Marine Corps Medal

Awarded to any person who, while serving in any capacity with the Navy including Reserves, shall have, since December 6, 1941, distinguished himself or herself by heroism not involving actual conflict with any enemy, or to any person to whom the Secretary of the Navy has formerly



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awarded a letter of commendation for heroism, regardless of date, subject to approval of the Board of Decoration and Medals. Awarded for non-combat action only.

Authorized by: Act of August 7, 1942.

Bronze Star Medal

Awarded to any person serving in or with the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard after December 7, 1941, for heroic or meritorious achievement or service not involving aerial flight.

Authorized by: Executive Order, February 4, 1944.

Air Medal

Awarded to any person who, while serving with Army, Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard of the United States, in any capacity, subsequent to September 8, 1939, distinguishes himself by meritorious achievement while participating in an aerial flight. Awarded for combat or non-combat action.

Authorized by: Executive Order No. 9158 on May 11, 1942, and General Order No. 175 of June 27, 1942.

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AWARDEES

ALABAMA

GRIFFITH, Robert L.
LCDR, USPHS [U.S. Public Health Service]
Bronze Star

For meritorious service medical officer of an attack transport during the assault and capture of Saipan Island from June 15, to July 9, 1944, and Tinian Island from July 24 to August 1, 1944. Lieut. Comdr Griffith was responsible for the prompt and skilled treatment of more than 1,000 casualties taken aboard during the combined operations.



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McMILAN, Wm M.

B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a member of the crew of a Coast Guard Cutter during rescue operation off the coast of France June, 1944. McMillan when another craft was hit by enemy shell fire and many of her crew thrown into the water, volunteered to go over the side and try to rescue survivors. Though his gallant action the lose of life was kept at a minimum.

McMULLAN, Ira H.

LT, USCG
Air Medal

For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight as pilot of an amphibious plane attached to the Air Station, Miami , Fl November 19, 1943. Lieut. McMullan landed his plane in strong winds and heavy sea to rescue two men who had parachuted from a plane eight miles for shore. By his expert airmanship, good judgment and courage, he aided in saving the lives of his comrades who other wise might have perished.

NELSON, Roy C.

Mo.M.M. 1c [Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic performance of duty during rescue operation o survivors of the torpedoed USS LEOPOLD in the North Atlantic March 9, 1944. Nelson volunteered to go over the side of his ship into the cold water to assist in the rescue of exhausted survivors. Unmindful of his own safety he worked in rough oil covered water securing life lines around helpless survivors until he became benumbed by cold and exhaustion. His action resulted in the saving of lives with other wise would have been lost.

WEST, Milton O. , Jr.

Sea . 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct during rescue operation of survivors of the SS EL COSTON February 27, 1944. west volunteered to go over the side in order to swim to exhausted survivors and attach life lines to them. In spite of rough, debris filled sea he made four trips each time rescuing one survivor.



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ARNHART, Alvis D.
ENS, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as commanding officer of a Coast Guard Cutter in rescuing survivors of the invasion off the coast of France June 6, 1944. his Cutter went alongside a sinking landing craft and rescued 22 men from the wreckage, 19 of whom had to be removed on stretchers.

MEEKER, Rex G.
F. 1c [Fireman, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct as engineer of a tank lighter during the assault on and occupation of French Morocco from November 8 to 11, 1942. When the boat in which he was stationed swamped in high surf. Meeker without hesitation took of his own life belt and placed it around an exhausted shipmate who was in danger of drowning and brought him safely to shore.

CALIFORNIA

ANDERSON, Malcolm M.
R.M. 3c [Radioman, Third Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as a member of the beach party of a naval transport during landing operation at Eniwetok Atoll , Marshall Islands . While under enemy fire, Anderson quickly and efficiently established radio communications with all vessels participating and thus contributed materially to the success of the landing operations.

BARBER, Carter
Sp. (PR) 1c [Specialist, Public Relations, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For distinguishing himself by heroism as a member of the crew of a Coast Guard Cutter during rescue operations off the French coast, June 1944. Barber, when another craft was hit by enemy shellfire and many of her crew thrown into the water, volunteered to go over the side and try to rescue survivors. Through his gallant action the loss of life was kept to a minimum.

BARTLETT, David H.
CDR, USCG
Legion of Merit



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For meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service as commanding officer of a Patrol Frigate in action against a Japanese submarine. Through skillful maneuvering and sound attacking fundamentals, he was instrumental in the destruction of the submarine.

BLOOMFIELD , John E.
Sea . 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism while serving as a volunteer member of boat crew engaged in rescue operations during a fire in Pearl Harbor , Hawaii , May 21, 1944. Under conditions of great personal danger from fire and explosions, he dived overboard and brought one severe injured men to safety. He assisted in the rescue of 42 survivors some of whom were injured and exhausted from the water and from burning ships.

BRIEN, Clyde T.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism in rendering assistance to wounded personnel during landing operations at Parry island, Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Islands. While a vessel was burning as the result of a direct hit and in probable danger of further explosions, he went aboard the vessel and rendered assistance to wounded, preventing the loss of life of many of those injured.

CHURCH, Harry M.
Sea . 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism while serving as volunteer coxswain of a boat engaged in rescue operations during a fire in Pearl Harbor , HI , May 21, 1944. under conditions of great personal danger from fire and explosions, he assisted in rescuing 42 survivors, some of whom were injured and exhausted from the water and from burning ships.

DAVIS, Alan W.
Coxswain, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement at sea December 5-6, 1944, while serving aboard U.S. Army large tug on route to the Philippine. His craft went to the rescue of another ship which had been torpedoed by enemy action ad saved 277 survivors from the abandoned ship.



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EMERSON, Robert E.
LTJG, USCG
Silver Star

For gallantry in action during the assault on Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Islands , February 17-22, 1944, as boat group Commander, he led his landing boat group, under fire, in three separate attacks upon islands of Eniwetok Atoll. His cool and skillful direction, initiative and efficiency contributed materially to the successful participation of his ship in the assault.

FRITZCHE, Edward H.
CAPT, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct, both in the preparation and execution of the amphibious assault on the coast of France June 6, 1944. Captain Fritzche was in command of a main group of the Assault Force, composed of a mixed fleet of American and British transports and American landing craft. He brought these ships and craft to their predetermined stations in the transport area, successfully effected their prompt and efficient unloading and expedited the assault troops and equipment to the designated beaches.

Gold Star in lieu of a second Legion of Merit

For meritorious conduct as commanding officer of a Coast Guard transport prior to and during the amphibious invasion of Southern France August 15, 1944. He efficiently organized and trained his ship and boat group to execute the assigned mission of loading transporting to the assault area and landing the embarked Army assault units on the invasion beaches. His able conduct contributed materially to the effective establishment of the beachhead and to the over all success of the invasion.

FULLER, Bert P.
R.M. 3c [Radioman, Third Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism in rendering assistance to wounded personnel during landing operations at Parry Island, Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Island. While a vessel was burning as a result of a direct hit and in probable danger of further explosions, he went aboard the vessel and rendered assistance to wounded, preventing the loss of life of many of those injured.

GARNER, David
R.M. 1c [Radioman, First Class], USCGR
Bronze Star



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For meritorious achievement at sea December 5-8, 1944, while serving aboard a U.S. Army large tug en route to the Philippines . His craft went to the rescue of another ship which had been torpedoed by enemy action and saved 277 survivors from the abandoned ship.

GEHLERT, Gustave A., Jr.
F. 2c [Fireman, Second Class]. USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For distinguishing himself by heroism while serving aboard an LST May 21, 1944, at Pearl Harbor, HI when an explosion occurred aboard an adjoining ship, as he was overhauling a ship's boat. Disregarding personal safety, he remained at his post others working with him having left the boat and miraculously placed the motor in running condition and proceeded at great peril to his life through a hail of debris to pick up men struggling in the water. Although he had never before handled this type of boat singled handed he operated the boat and assisted a number of men some wounded into this boat until he became exhausted. He was joined by an officer and was able to carry on.

GROSS, Robert H.
Coxswain, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct as coxswain of a Power Boat during rescue operations when a U.S. warship stranded. With mountainous seas breaking heavily on board the sinking warship and adjacent rocks, Gross skillfully maneuvered his boat into extremely perilous positions, many times narrowly escaping certain destruction and personally rescued approximately 15 of his shipmates.

HAGEN, Paul E.
B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For heroic achievement at sea December 5, 1944. when the U.S. Army large tug on which he was serving part about the render assistance to the crew of a torpedoed freighter Hagen a member of the life boat detail was instrumental in the success of the rescue of 277 survivors.

HAMMOND , Joseph F.
Sea . 2c [Seaman, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism while serving as a volunteer member of a boat crew engaged in rescue operations during a fire in Harbor, HI, May 21, 1944. Under great personal from fire and explosions he assisted in rescuing 42 survivors some whom were injured and exhausted from the water and from burning ships.



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HIGBEE, Frank D.
CAPT, USCG
Legion of Merit

For distinguishing himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct while in command of a group of ships. He displayed seamanship and leadership of the highest order while commanding echelons in the assault landing s on enemy territory and on numerous re-supply echelons. His services contributed materially to the successful conclusion of an important campaign.

HOYLE, Robert
LTJG, USCG
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry in action against the enemy at Engebi and Parry Islands, Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Island, where he landed with the assault waves February 18 and 22, 1944 under devastating enemy fire and without regard for his personal safety he immediately and continuously exposed himself to enemy fire in order to perform his duties and beach master. On both Engebi and Parry Island he acting on his own initiative, made his ay through heavy enemy fire to relation urgent messages to the Landing Team commander.

JORDAN , Jack S.
Sea . 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism while serving aboard a Coast Guard Cutter engaged in the rescue operations June 8, 1944 off the French coast. Jordan 's craft moored alongside a holed destroyer escort to take of survivors. When the vessel began to roll over, Jordan although the order to abandon ship had been given continued to work on the bridge and succeeding in getting clear a member of the crew who had been pinned down by wreckage. He then successfully lowered the man and jumped clear as the ship took its final plunge.

KROHN, Abraham
Sea . 2c [Seaman, Second Class], USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement at sea December 5, 1944. When the U.S. Army tug on which he was serving put about to render assistance to the crew of a torpedoed freighter, Krohn was instrumental in the success of the rescue of 277 survivors.

LARSEN, Howard R.
Sea . 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal



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For heroism in rendering assistance to wounded personnel during landing operations at Parry Island, Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Islands. While a vessel was burning as the result of a direct hit and in probable danger of further explosions he went aboard and rendered assistance to wound. His courageous action resulted in the prevention of loss of life of many of those injured.

LONG, Wilson K.
LTJG, USCGR
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry in action January 26, 1944, while attached to an LST during the amphibious invasion at Anzio, Italy. During a full gale, Long volunteered to take a landing boat to a burning LST nearby. Despite the fact that the burning ship was pitching and rolling in a dangerous manner and ammunition was exploding, he effected the rescue of a soldier, trapped in a lower compartment without means of escape, by removing him through a hole in the side of the ship.

LONGMIRE, James C.
G.M. 3c [Gunner's Mate, Third Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism in rendering assistance to wounded personnel during landing operation at Parry Island, Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Islands. While a vessel was burning as the result of a direct hit and in probable danger of further explosions, he went aboard and rendered assistance to wounded. His courageous action resulted in the prevention of loss of life of many of those injured.

LOWERY, George A.
C.B.M. [Chief Boatswain's Mate], USCG
Bronze Star

For heroic achievement at sea December 5, 1944. When the U.S. Army tug on which he was serving, put about to render assistance to the crew of a torpedoed freighter, Lowery directed the lowering of the ship's boats and the rescue efforts, resulting in the saving of 277 survivors.

NOACK, Roland H. Jr.
Sea . 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism while serving as a member of the crew of a fireboat engaged in combating fires and explosion on a burning ship at Pearl Harbor, HI, May 21, 1944. When the propeller of his ship became fouled with clothing during firefighting operations, he voluntarily jumped over the side



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into burning oil and gasoline covered waters and freed the propeller, thus keeping his ship in action when it was so vitally needed.

OLSON, Russell I.
R.M. 3c [Radioman, Third Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as a member of the beach party of a naval transport during landing operations at Eniwetok Atoll , Marshall Islands . During the landing assault, while under enemy fire, he quickly and efficiently established radio communications with all vessels participating and thus contributed materially to the success of the landing operations.

OWEN, Robert W.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement at sea December 5, 1944. When the U.S. Army tug on which he was serving put about the render assistance to the crew of a torpedoed freighter, Owen was instrumental in the success of the rescue of 277 survivors.

POLLACK, A.
LCDR, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as commanding officer of a tank landing ship operating in the Solomon Island area from July, 1943, to May 1944. By his courage and skillful handling of his ship during several enemy bombing attacks he brought the vessel through with a minimum of damage and effected delivery of supplies vital to the success of the offensive operations in the Solomon Island Campaign.

PRITCHARD, John A. Jr.
LT, USCG
Distinguished Flying Cross (Posthumously)

For heroism while participating in aerial flights as pilot of a plane which rescued Army fliers stranded on the Greenland Ice Cap November 28-29, 1942. After safely landing on the Ice Cap, he took aboard two of the injured men and, with superb airmanship, successfully took off for his ship, arriving safely. The following day, he again volunteered to resume rescue operations for remaining Army fliers. After getting one more on board, he started for his ship, but failed to arrive.

Navy & Marine Corps Medal



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For heroic conduct while serving aboard the Coast Guard Cutter NORTHLAND during the rescue November 23, 1942, of three members of the Royal Canadian Air Force stranded on the Greenland Ice Cap for 13 days. Volunteering to lead a rescue party from the ship, lieutenant Pritchard reached the exhausted airmen and succeeded in bringing them safely to the ship.

RAGANELLI, Vito N.
So.M 2c [Sonarman, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a member of the crew of a Coast Guard Cutter off the French coast June 30, 1944. Racanelli volunteered to go aboard a blazing tank landing craft and his efforts contributed substantially to the extinguishing of the fire and the brining of the landing craft to the beach.

SPECK, Russell M.
Coxswain, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct as coxswain of a landing boat during rescue operations when a U.S. warship stranded. With mountainous seas breaking heavily on board the sinking warship and adjacent rocks, Speck skillfully maneuvered his boat into extremely perilous position, many time narrowly escaping certain destruction and personally rescued 15 of his shipmates.

TERRIEN, Ross H.
AMM 1c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct as member of the crew of an amphibious plane attached to the Air Station, Miami , FL during the rescue of the two members of a lost aircraft November 19, 1943. When strong winds made it extremely hazardous for his plane to turn cross wind to reach one survivor, Terrien courageously went over the side and swimming against the gigantic waves, carried a line to the weak and exhausted man.

THOMAS, Charles W.
CAPT , USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as Commander of a Greenland Patrol task unit and commanding officer of a Coast Guard ice breaker during the fall of 1944. Captain Thomas, operating north of the Arctic Circle, inflicted severe damage on enemy installations and outposts in Northeast Greenland . He landed a force, which destroyed a Nazi weather station and later captured an enemy armed trawler.



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THOMSEN, Neils P.
LT, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as commanding officer of the YP-251 during action against a hostile submarine in North Pacific water, July 9, 1942. Although an air driven torpedo passed 28 yards astern of his craft during the engagement, Lieut. Thomsen relentlessly pursued his target until spreading oil slicks and continuous air bubbles gave evidence of the probable destruction of the enemy vessel.

TOWNSEND, Marshall O.
So.M. 1c [Soundman, First Class], USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious service in the performance of duties as South Operator aboard a U.S. warship. His exceptional ability at his battle station, and proficiency in the instruction of other men, contributed directly to the success of his ship in sinking a Japanese naval vessel.

VANN, George D.
Sea . 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while service aboard a destroyer escort during the rescue of survivors of the torpedoed LEOPOLD in the North Atlantic March 9, 1944. Courageously volunteering to assist in the rescue activities, Vann went over the side into ice, oil-covered waters and secured life lines around exhausted survivors.

COLORADO

EVANS, Raymond J.
C.S.M. [Chief Signalman], USCG
Navy Cross
[Presidential Unit Citation]

For extraordinary heroism as a member of the crew of a landing boat assisting in the rescue of a group Marines surrounded by enemy Japanese forces on a beachhead of Guadalcanal, Solomon Island, September 27, 1942. Gallantly remaining at his post during the entire evacuation and with every other member of his crew killed or wounded, he maintained control of the boat with one hand on the wheel and continued to fire his automatic machine gun with the other. Until the last



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boat cleared the beach. He contributed directly to the success of his mission by saving the lives of many who otherwise might have perished.

GOLDMAN, Robert
Ph. M. 2c [Pharmacist's Mate, Second Class], USCG
Bronze Star

For heroic conduct while aboard on LST in action against the enemy at Leyte, Philippine Island , 12 November 1944. Goldman administered medical aid to the wounded and dying even though he was severely injured, after a Japanese fighter plane had crashed into his ship. He persistently had been treated and additional medical assistance arrived.

McNICHOLS, Stephen L.
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star

For heroism during the assault on enemy position in the Pacific early in 1944. As Assistant boat group commander, he assisted in loading the landing boat group of his ship, under fire, in three separate attaches upon islands of the enemy stronghold. His actions contributed materially to the successful participation of his ship in the assault.

MURRAY , Glen C.
Sea . 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism while serving as a member of the crew of a fireboat engaged in combating fires and explosions on a burning ship at Pearl Harbor , HI . When the propeller of his ship became fouled with clothing during the fire fighting operations he voluntarily jumped over the side into the burning oil and gasoline covered waters and freed the propeller, thus keeping his ship in action when it was so vitally needed.

CONNECTICUT

ANDERSON, Robert P.
CDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious conduct in a position of responsibility on the Staff of Commander, Landing Craft Bases, 11th Amphibious Force, as assistant operations officer and later operations representative at headquarters of Commander-in-Chief, Portsmouth , from November 2, 1943, until June 6,



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1944. His actions contributed vitally to the successful assault upon Europe June 6, and the subsequent build-up of naval and military forces.

DEL PRA, A. E.
LCDR, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism in handling and beaching a burning vessel at Finschhafen, New Orleans , August 23, 1944. Following a boiler explosion on a merchant ship, fire broke out. The ship had been abandoned by the crew when LCDR Del Pra boarded her, directed beaching operations, remained with the ship until the fire was under control. And was largely responsible for preventing her sinking and preventing the spread of fire to other vessels.

ELMER, Robert E. P. Jr.
LTJG, USCGR
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry in action while serving as officer in charge of salvage boat while attached to the USS JOSEPH T. DICKMAN during the assault at Salerno , Italy , September 9, 1943. Braving intermittent enemy bombing and strafing attacks, Lieutenant Elmer skillfully directed the recovery of damaged and stranded assault craft upon the various landing beaches.

IMLAY, Miles Hopkins
CAPT, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as Commander of the Reserve Attack Group during the Sicilian invasion campaign. With outstanding skill and expert seamanship, Captain Imlay brought the group under his command to the scene of action and with speed and precision dispatched them to the designated beaches, as they were required. Following the initial assault, he assisted in the support of the Army at Licata, and later was temporarily Commander of the Advance Base at Porto Empedocles, participating in the opening of that port while under enemy gunfire.

Gold Star in lieu of Second Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as Commander of the LST convoy of a Major Task Force during the assault upon Italy in September 1943. Charged with the difficult assignment of brining the vessels under his command safely through the hazardous course between Bizerte , Tunisia , and the Gulf of Salerno, Italy, Captain Imlay (the Commander) performed his essential duties with outstanding skill, successfully reaching the designated assault beaches at the assigned time despite extremely adverse weather conditions and fierce enemy aerial opposition.



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Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry as Deputy Commander of an Assault Group participating in the initial invasion on the coast of France , June 6, 1944. Undaunted by heavy enemy fire, Captain Imlay courageously took station close to the shore on the early morning of D-Day and throughout the most bitter period of the fighting, coolly and promptly made spot decision on the reorganization, grouping and dispatching of craft to the beach, subsequently relieving the Task Group Commander of his duties when he withdrew his transport from the assault area, immediately thereafter, he was placed in charge of operations afloat as assistant to the naval Officer in Charge of one of the beaches and discharging the duties of this responsibility with distinctive professional ability, contributed essentially to the rapid clearing of the backlog of ships.

LENCI, John
LT, USCG
Bronze Star

For heroic conduct in action against the enemy in amphibious operations in the Southwest Pacific are. He aggressively maneuvered his ship in each operation and contributed to the success of them by his professional knowledge, skill and leadership.

MOORE, Harold C.
CDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement of Commanding Officer of the USS DUANE prior to and during the amphibious invasion of Southern France in August 1944. With great professional skill and unremitting effort, CDR Moore so efficiently organized and administered his ship that it was able to act with maximum effectiveness as amphibious flagship of a Navy Task Force Commander.

VILE, Robert G.
F. 1c, [Fireman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For extremely heroic conduct while serving aboard a Guard Cutter in attempting the rescue of survivors of a sinking U.S.A.T. When a small boat containing 32 survivors of the sinking ship was so violently thrown by the rough seas that three men were thrown over the side, Ville volunteered to go to the rescue of the Helpless men. Disregarding a northerly gale, snow, the near freezing temperature of the water, and the battered exhausted condition of two shipments who had previously attempted similar rescue, Ville made his way to the survivor and towed him back to the Cutter.



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WALSH, Quentin R.
CDR, USCG
Navy Cross

For heroism as Commanding Officer of a U.S. Naval party reconnoitering the naval facilities and naval arsenal at Cherbourg June 26 and 27, 1944. While in command of reconnaissance party, Commander Walsh entered the port of Cherbourg and penetrated the eastern half of the city, engaged in street fighting with the enemy. He accepted the surrender and disarmed 400 of the enemy force at the naval arsenal and later received unconditional surrender of 350 enemy troops and at the same time released 52 captured U.S. Army paratroopers.

WARD, Robert G.
Sea . 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCG
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry in action during the landing operations against the enemy on the Contentin Peninsula, France June 6, 1944. While acting as coxswain of a landing craft in the first wave, Ward successfully landed his troop personnel despite enemy opposition. Upon retracting from the beach he observed the stranded crews from two other landing craft whose boats had been destroyed by enemy mortar fire. Ward returned to the beach, took off both crews despite continued shelling and returned safely with them to his ship.

DELAWARE

BENNETT, Warren
C.M. M. [Chief Machinist's Mate], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct as Officer in Charge of a Coast Guard detail from Hillsboro Light Station in saving a U.S. Army officer from drowning and in assisting in the rescue of seven other persons in the Atlantic off Deerfield Beach , FL , May 9, 1943. Undeterred by treacherous undertow when had already taken the life of one man and was endangering seven others who were clinging desperately to a swamped dinghy, Bennett plunged into the surf and swam to the aid of the officer. After battling mountainous seas, he finally reached shore with the helpless men. He then directed the work of rescuing the others.

VERNON , Albert
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star



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For meritorious service as Commanding Officer of a Coast Guard Cutter in rescuing survivors of the invasion off the coast of France June 6, 1944. During D-Day, his cutter rescued 97 men. Each rescue was effected in the face of constant enemy fire from the beach which was in no way allowed to deter the splendid rescue operations.

FLORIDA

BRASWELL, Marvin T.
CDR, USCG
Foreign Government Award

Awarded the Nation Order of Honor and Merit by the Government of Haiti

BRASWELL, Wheeler M.
ENS, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct following the crash of a Pan-American Airways seaplane in Biscayne Bay September 24, 1943. Ensign Braswell flew to the scene in advance of crash boats and anchored in the bay. Despite imminent danger of fire on the gasoline-covered waters, he swam to the stricken craft, worked his way through the crushed and jagged hull and entered a submerged compartment where the unconscious pilot was still strapped to his seat. Unfastening the safety belt, he dragged the helpless man out on one wind and with the aid of a boatswains mate who arrived by the crash boat administered artificial respiration until normal breathing was restored. He and his assistant removed another crew member and success full revived a third airmen.

BERDINE, Harold S.
CDR, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as Commanding Officer of the USCGC SPENCER when that ship engaged and sank a German submarine in the Atlantic on April 17, 1943. Delivering depth charges, he forced the submarine to surface. Relentless strafing the damaged craft with gunfire, he finally destroyed her and captured many of her crew.

BOYETTE, James
Sea . 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal



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For heroism as a member of the crew of a USCGC during rescue operations off the French coast, June 1944. When a patrol craft was hit by enemy shellfire and many of her crew thrown into the water, Boyette volunteered to go over the side and try to rescue some of the survivors. He did this knowing their personal jeopardy from this sea and the enemy shot which were falling with great intensity.

CHASTAIN, Waldron B.
S.C. 3c [Ship's Cook, Third Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard a DE during rescue of survivors of the sunk USS LEOPOLD in the North Atlantic Area the night of March 9, 1944. Courageously volunteering to assist in the rescue activities, Chastain, although fully aware that his ship might be forced to leave the area to avoid hostile torpedoes or to attack enemy submarines operating in the vicinity, unhesitatingly went over the side into the icy, oil covered waters and secured life lines around exhausted survivors until he himself was completely exhausted and unable to continue his battle against rough seas.

CRAMER, Louis Jay
C.B.M. [Chief Boatswain's Mate], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USS RICKETTS during rescue operations following a collision between SS EL COSTON and the SS MURFEESBORO in the Atlantic area on the night of February 25-26, 1944. When crewmembers of both severely damaged vessels were forced by raging gasoline fires to abandon ship, Cramer materially assisted his senior officers in organizing effective rescue operations by his ship and supervised the saving of a large number of survivors. On several occasions he dived into the rough, oil covered sea tied lifelines around exhausted swimmers thereby enabling them to be hauled to safety aboard the rescuing vessel.

EVERFIELD, William
Sea . 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a member of the crew of a Coast Guard cutter during rescue operation off the coast of France , June 1944. When a patrol craft was hit by enemy shellfire and many of her crew thrown into the water, volunteered to go over the side and try to rescue some of the survivors in the water. He did this, knowing the danger from the sea and under intense enemy fire. Through his gallant action loss of life from the PC was kept at a minimum.



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HILTON, Carl H.
CDR, USCG
Foreign decoration

Order of Trujillo and Order Military Merit

The PRESIDENT OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC In view of the favorable vote of the Council of the order confers the decoration of the ORDER OF TRUJILLO in the "Calallere" This order instituted in the honor of the Benefactor of the Country Generalissimo Doctor Refael Leondias Trujillo Molina is the highest honor next after the Decoration of Juan Pablo Duarte that a grateful nation concedes to its meritorious servants, as well as those who have been outstanding in their services rendered to humanity. Given and signed in Ciudad Trujillo, Capital of the Dominican Republic , the 20th day of July of the year 1944. /s/ Rafael L. Trujillo.

HUTCHINS, Roy M.
LT, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For extremely heroic conduct while serving aboard the USCGC ALGONQUIN during the rescue from a lifeboat of survivors of the wrecked SS SVEND FOYNE in North Atlantic near Greenland , march 21, 1943. When the helpless men, weak and numb from exposure to the wind and freezing water were physically unable to cooperate with the ship's crew Ltjg Hutchins climbed over the side of his vessel, which was rolling from 20 to 30 degrees and descended the cargo net. Although exceptionally rough seas were swamping the lifeboat he went aboard made lines fast fore and aft and tied lines around two of the small craft's exhausted occupants. After one man had been halted onto the ALGONQUIN, Ltjg Hutchins extricated the second from entanglement in a coil thereby enabling him to be lifted to the deck. He undoubtedly saved the lives of two men who otherwise might have perished.

JESTER, Maurice D.
CDR, USCG (ret.)
Navy Cross

For distinguished service as commander of the CGC ICARUS during a successful action on May 9, 1942, with a German submarine. His persistence, alertness, determination and judgment both during and after the attack resulted in sinking the enemy submarine and capturing the commanding officer one other officer and 31 crewmember.

JOHNSON, John M.
LTJG, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal



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For heroism in rendering assistance to wounded personnel during landing operations at Parry Island, Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Island. While a vessel was burning as the result of a direct hit and in probable danger of further explosions he went aboard the vessel and rendered assistance to wounded and others at a time when the ship's personnel were unable to do so. His courageous action undoubtedly resulted in the prevention of loss of life of many of those injured.

MATHIS, Virgil B.

Mo.M.M. 1c [Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCGR

Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement both on April 20 and May 3, 1944 while serving on board the USS MENGES in the Mediterranean. When the MENGES was ordered to rescue survivors of a destroyer which had been by a force of enemy bombers, he exhibited leadership and skill in organizing assistance for the other wise inadequate medical staff of his ship in order to properly care for the survivors being brought aboard. Later when his own ship was torpedoed and seriously damaged he again performed outstanding work as a member of a repair party thus materially contributing to the saving of his ship and also gave able assistance in caring for those who had been injured.

NORTH, James B.

B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCG

Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a crew member of a CGC during rescue operations off the coast of France, June 1944. North, when PC 1261 was hit by enemy shellfire and many of her crew thrown into the water, volunteered to go over the side to rescue survivors, despite rough seas and intense enemy fire. Through his gallant action loss of life from PC 1261 was kept at a minimum.

Von PAULSEN, Carl C.

CAPT, USCG

Legion of Merit

For outstanding service in position of great responsibility in the Greenland Patrol. During period from late July 1941 to mid September 1943. Captain von Paulsen as commanding officer, USCGC NORTHLAND and later as Commander Northeast Greenland Task unit, conducted tactical operation against enemy outposts in Northeast Greenland and by his detailed supervision and execution of these operations materially strengthened U.S. naval control over these regions. He was responsible for careful reconnaissance and surveying of the east coast of Greenland, thereby obtaining accurate hydrographic information of then little known East Greenland waters. In addition as Senior Officer Present, Afloat, Greenland, Captain von Paulsen made important contribution to organization and coordination of the activities of the U.S. Atlantic Fleet in the Greenland Area.



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RYAN, Billy R.
LTJG, USCG
Bronze Star

For heroic achievement in action at Saipan Island June 15-24, 1944 as boat group commander of transport directing and supervision landing of personnel supplies under heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire. He rescues a crew of five men from a landing craft stranded on a reef which was under direct artillery and mortar fire. Though he had been authorized to leave the vicinity because of the intensity of enemy fire and also salvaged the board. He also volunteered to test enemy fire after craft loaded with men and equipment proceeding through the boat channel had been fired upon by enemy artillery and sunk. Suspected enemy gun emplacements were then being bombarded by naval gunfire. To determine whether enemy guns had been neutralized he took his boat through the channel and was fired upon. Enemy position was then bombed by planes before boats were directed into the beach.

STARR, John
LTJG, USCG (Deceased)
Bronze Star

Posthumous - for meritorious service while attached to the Greenland Patrol during June 1941 to march 1943. Exercising sound judgment and keen perception in the performance of his various exacting duties, he completely reorganized and established the Communication Division of the Flagship of Commander, Northeast Greenland Patrol, developing it into an efficient well ordered unit. Later through his vision and untiring effort as member of the Staff of Senior Officer Present, Greenland and of Commander, Greenland Patrol, he assured the early and continued success of the Patrol and contributed materially to the expeditions completion of the Greenland Radio Station.

UNGER, Aden C.
CDR, USCG
Silver Star

For outstanding services as a deputy assault group commander in the assault on the coast of France, June 6 1944. He took his station close to the beach under heavy enemy fire on the day of the assault and remained under fire during the most bitter period of the fighting when with great coolness he made decision on the spot, reorganized grouped and dispatched craft to the beach and made the weight of his judgment felt in a manner which contributed materially to the success of the operation.

WILLIAMS, Wilbert
D.B.



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Sea. 2c [Seaman, Second Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For heroic achievement at sea on 5 December 1944. When the U.S. Army large tug on which he was serving put about to render assistance to the crew of a freighter torpedoed by enemy aerial action he as a member of the life boat detail was instrumental in the rescue efforts the member of survivors of the abandoned ship brought safely to the tug totaled 277.

GEORGIA

DENMAN, Douglas C.
Coxswain, USCG
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving aboard the USS CALHOUN during an undetected Japanese air attack off Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands the night of August 30, 1942. Stationed in Boat No 4, Denman although he was severely wounded by the ire two bombs to strike the ship persisted in remaining on duty and with the aid of a shipmate carried two injured men to the bow of the boat and floated them clear. Together they throw overboard thirty kapok life jackets and called them to the attention of the survivors struggling in the water.

HENDRIX, John T.
E.M. [Electrician's Mate], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct aboard the USCGC MODOC during the rescue of survivors from the SVEND FOYNE in the Atlantic Ocean on the morning of March 21, 1943. Going to the aid of a comrade, Hendrix voluntarily descended the port rescue net with another enlisted men to rescue three survivors who had jumped from a life raft alongside his vessel and were helplessly trying to secure their lifelines. Frequently submerged as the vessel rolled to port he worked for fifteen minutes waist deep in water then assisted an exhausted comrade back on board. Hendrix's courageous efforts in behalf of his shipmates and two survivors saved from almost certain death were in keeping with the highest traditions.

MACKAY, James A.
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement on April 20 and May 3 1944, while serving aboard the USS MENGES in the Mediterranean. When a U.S. destroyer escorting a valuable convoy was



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attacked and sunk by enemy bombing planes, the MENGES was ordered to rescue survivors. LTJG Mackay, damage control officer, assisted in organizing rescue parties and so skillfully assisted in direction of rescue operations that over one hundred oil-soaked shocked and injured survivor were brought aboard. Later when the MENGES was torpedoed in action with an enemy submarine he again distinguished himself by effectively isolating the damaged part of the ship. Thus materially assisting in the saving the ship by avoiding fire and the possibility of a resulting explosion.

ILLINOIS

ANDERSON, Alvin Kenneth
B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCG
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry as coxswain of a scout boat wile attached to the USS Charles Carroll during the amphibious assault to Salerno, Italy September 9, 1943. In the face of extreme hazards Anderson proceeded through mined water an assigned position close offshore and maintaining this station for three hours under.

CONNOR, Thomas H.
Mo.M.M. 1c [Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious performance of duty while serving as motor machinist's mate aboard the USS LCI (L) 84 during the invasion of Normandy, June 6, 1944. When the vessel was grounded on some beach obstacles Connor volunteered to carry lifeline ashore even though the area was being shelled and current owing the surrounding water concealed numerous obstacles. Despite a tremendous offshore current Connor successfully completed his mission. The line was later parted and while making an effort to secure the severed end, he succeeded in rescuing two soldiers who had been set adrift.

DODD, Neal D.
So.M. 3c [Sonarman, Third Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a member of the crew of the USCGC 16 during rescue operation off the coast of France during June 1944. When PC 1261 was hit by shellfire and many of her crew thrown into the water, Dodd volunteered to go over the side and try to rescue some of the survivors from the sea and the enemy shot which were falling with great intensity. Through his gallant action the loss of life from PC 1261 was kept at a minimum.



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FREEMAN, James Stewart
LT, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For outstanding heroism during rescue operations for a member off Norfolk, VA., August 10, 1942. Answering immediately the call for assistance in rescuing a man who had fallen over board, Lt. Freeman put on a diver's suit and entered the water. When Lt. Freeman failed to answer signals after he had been searching in the water for half an hour his comrades brought him to the surface, but all efforts to revive him failed.

GILTNER, William F.
Coxswain, USCGR
Bronze Star

For heroic service in the amphibious attack on Biak Island, Schouten Group, Dutch New Guinea, may 27, 1944. When members of the party landed on Green Beach they were subjected to severe hand grenade fire from Japanese troops in two caves in the cliff near the beach. While other members of the party attacked the enemy, he proceeded calmly and efficiently about his task, in face of continued enemy action. He confirmed the absence of under water obstacles, located a safe approach for incoming craft, and successfully guided landing craft tanks (LCT) with their vital load of material to the beach. His cool efficient and courageous performance of duty under fire permitted the accomplishment of his mission and contributed materially to the success of the operation.

GREENE, Eugene C.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct aboard a Destroyer Escort during the rescue of survivors of the sunk USS LEOPOLD in the North Atlantic Area on the night of March 9, 1944. Courageously volunteering to assist in rescue activities, Greene, although fully aware that his own ship might be forced to leave the area to avoid hostile torpedoes or to attack enemy submarines operating in the vicinity unhesitatingly went over the side into the icy, oil-covered waters and working tirelessly and with utter disregard for personal safety, secured life lines around the exhausted survivors until he himself was completely exhausted and unable to continue his battle against the rough seas. Greene's splendid initiative and unselfish effort was contributing factors in the saving of many lives.



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GUZIK, Raymond R.

Mo.M.M. 2c [Motor Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCG

Bronze Star

When the LCI(L) 84, on which he was serving during the invasion of France, June 6, 1944, was grounded on some beach obstacles he volunteered to carry a lifeline ashore even though the area was being shelled and well knowing the surrounding water concealed numerous obstacles.

Despite a tremendous offshore current, Guzik successfully completed his mission. The line was later parted and while making an effort to secure the severed end he succeeded in rescuing two soldiers who had been set adrift.

HAINRIHAR, Anton J.

C.W.T. [Chief Water Tender], USCG

Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry while serving aboard the USCGC CAMPBELL during and following the sinking of an enemy submarine by that vessel. When the engine room flooded as a result of the attack upon the hostile vessel, Hainrihar, by his calm direction of necessary operations in the fire room, set an inspiring example to the other members of the crew and helped to sustain morale throughout the duration of the emergency. His tireless devotion to duty, maintained from 8 to 12 hours a day with the vessel in a precarious position was in keeping with the highest tradition of the U.S. Naval Service.

HARRIS, Elmer

G.M. 1c [Gunner's Mate, First Class], USCG

Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct aboard a Destroyer Escort during the rescue of survivors of the sunk USS LEOPOLD in the North Atlantic Area on the night of March 9, 1944. Courageously volunteering to assist in rescue activities, Harris, although fully aware that his own ship might be forced to leave the area to avoid hostile torpedoes or to attack enemy submarines operating in the vicinity unhesitatingly went over the side into the icy, oil-covered waters and working tirelessly and with utter disregard for personal safety, secured life lines around the exhausted survivors until he himself was completely exhausted and unable to continue his battle against the rough seas. Harris's splendid initiative and unselfish effort was contributing factors in the saving of many lives.

LAWLESS, John D.

W.T. 2c [Watertender, Second Class], USCG

Navy & Marine Corps Medal



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For heroism on May 3, 1944 while serving on board the USS MENGES off the Algerian Coast. When the Menges was torpedoed in action with an enemy submarine, Lawless with courage and initiative assisted in removing two badly wounded men from the wreckage in a compartment where the danger from fire or explosion was imminent. In so doing he voluntarily risked his own safety and probably saved the lives of two men who were too badly injured to save themselves.

MacLANE, Gordon H.
LT, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct as coxswain of a powerboat engaged in the rescue of personnel from a U.S. warship when that vessel was stranded. Although the decks of the ship were awash and the sea was breaking heavily against the adjacent rocks, LT. MacLane with utter disregard for his own personal safety skillfully maneuvered a power boat into highly dangerous waters in order to rescue survivors from the ship and from the sea.

REDNOUR, Forrest O.
S.C. 2c [Ship's Cook, Second Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USCGC ESCANABA during the rescue of survivors from a torpedoed ship in North Atlantic waters. Despite possible enemy submarine action, Rednour risked his life in the black and icy waters to aid in the rescue of unconscious and helpless survivors. Realizing the danger of being brushed between the rafts and the ship's side or of being struck by a propeller blade if the engines backed, he swam in under the counter of the constantly maneuvering ESCANABA and prevented many floating survivors from being caught in the suction of the screws in on instance retrieving a loaded raft. Rednour's gallant and voluntary action in subjecting himself to pounding seas and bitter cold for nearly four hours contributed to the rescue of 145 persons.

RISKEDAHL, Wayne A.
Mo.M.M. 1c [Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism while serving on a destroyer escort April 20, 1944 in the Mediterranean Sea. When a U.S. Destroyer on convoy duty was attacked and sunk by a force of enemy bombing planes, the DE was ordered to act as rescue ship. Riskedahl voluntarily went over the side to aid those who were in the water. By so doing he undoubtedly assisted in saving the lives of many who otherwise because of exhaustion, could not have succeeded in boarding the rescue ship. Later when his ship was damaged, he again distinguished himself by his outstanding performance of duty with repair parties and thus contributed materially to the saving of the ship.



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SCALAN, Bernard Edward
LCDR, USCG
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action while serving as a boat group commander during the amphibious assault at Salerno, Italy, on September 9, 1943. Braving intense fire from enemy shore emplacements, LCDR Scalan marshaled and led the first and succeeding boat waves to the assigned assault beach, maintains effective control of landings in spite of fierce enemy opposition. His brilliant leadership and tenacious devotion to duty contributed immeasurable to the success of our assault operations in a vital area.

TILLMAN, William N.
ENS, USCG
Bronze Star (deceased)

For heroic service while serving as assistant gunnery and torpedo officer aboard the USS LEOPOLD during the sinking of that vessel in the Atlantic on March 9, 1944. Unmindful of his own danger, ENS Tillman courageously remained in the after section of the ship following the attack and working desperately to effect all possible safety measures, continued his valiant efforts until the LEOPOLD went down. His inspiring devotion to duty in the face of grave peril was in keeping with the highest.

YOUNGREN, Robert E.
LTJG, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism while serving on board an LST during an explosion at Westloch, Pearl Harbor, T.H., on May 21, 1944. Wounded on the head from falling debris while in the midst of rescue work, he observed a Marine holding on to a line trailing from the bow of a landing ship underway in the channel. He maneuvered his boat into a position, which permitted him to jump on a buoy, grasp the man and free him from the danger of being drawn into the churning propellers of the ship.

INDIANA

CARIENS, Richard J.
M.o.M. M. 1c [Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal



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For heroic conduct as a member of a Coast Guard fireboard crew following an explosion aboard an Army Aircraft Rescue boat at a dock on September 22, 1943. After he and his crew mates had extinguished the fire Cariens unhesitatingly went aboard the rescue boat and undeterred by the possibility of another explosion of high octane gasoline, located and repaired a ruptured fuel line. His gallant disregard for his own safety and his excellent spirit of cooperation on throughout the accomplishment of a hazardous task contributed to the reduction of danger to port installations and vessels docked in the vicinity.

OXLEY, Gene E.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Silver Star

For gallantry while on the USS LCI(L) 85 during the assault on the coast of France June 6, 1944 and for extraordinary courage in volunteering and twice taking a line ashore, in the face of heavy machine gun and shell fire in order to assist troops unloading from the ship to the beach through chest deep water.

SEAMON, William E.
Mo.M.M. 3c [Motor Machinist's Mate, Third Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism January 26, 1944, while attached to USS LST 16 during the amphibious invasion of Anzio, Italy. During a full gale with extremely heavy seas, he volunteered as a member of a boat crew to do to the side of the burning HMS LST 422 in an effort to rescue personnel trapped below decks. Without hesitation he assisted in taking the small boat through a heavily mined area alongside the blazing ship. Despite the fact that the HMS LST 422 was pitching and rolling in a dangerous manner and ammunition was exploding, he aided in effecting the rescue of a soldier, trapped in a lower compartment of the ship, by removing him through a hole in the side of the ship and bringing him safely to the USS LST 16.

IOWA

BAILEY, Bernard A.
LT, USCGR
Air Medal

For meritorious achievement in aerial flight while serving with an Air-Seaman Rescue Task Unit during rescue operations off Marine Corps Air Station, Santa Barbara, CA., July 28, 1944. Braving the hazards of a high wind and an exceptionally rough sea Lt. Bailey unhesitatingly



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went to the assistance of an injured airman adrift in the water, skillfully landing his craft and affecting the rescue with safety.

POWERS, Burke I.
LTJG, USCGR
Air Medal

For meritorious service as commanding officer of USCGC 83428 off the coast of France, August 7, 1944. his cutter proceeded to the scene of the sinking of HMS AMSTERDAM, a hospital ship. Upon arrival at the scene a good many survivors were found in the water which necessitated practically the entire crew of the Coast Guard craft going over the side into the sea to assist in hauling the badly wounded aboard. The assigned tasks were performed efficiently and calmly under very trying conditions. The leadership and outstanding performance of duty displayed on this occasion were in keeping with the best traditions of the U.S. naval Service.

RAU, Robert Carl
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star

For heroic conduct as officer in charge of a landing boat section on during the initial assault on an enemy held island. After his boat has successfully landed its troops he observed another boat in distress. While under enemy fire he directed and affected the rescue of the personnel from the sinking craft. Under his direction their withdrawal from the danger area was successfully completed. His conduct on this occasion distinguished himself among those performing duties of the same character.

KANSAS

JASON, Edward Lloyd
Sea. 2c [Seaman, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard a Coast Guard cutter during rescue of survivors from the USS ST.AUGUSTINE after the accidental sinking of that vessel in the Atlantic ocean the night of January 6, 1943. observing several survivors struggling to keep them selves afloat in the heavy seas, he repeatedly jumped overboard into the icy waters to effect their rescue and bring them safe aboard his ship. His courageous initiative and utter disregard for his personal safety in the face of grave danger undoubtedly saved the lives of many men who otherwise might have perished.



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KENTUCKY

DICHLARA, Robert M.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism in rendering assistance to wounded personnel during landing operations at Parry Island, Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Islands. While a vessel was burning as the result of a direct hit and in probable danger of further explosions, he went aboard the vessel and rendered assistance to wounded and others at a time when the ship's personnel were unable to do so. His courageous action undoubtedly resulted in the prevention of loss of life of many of those injured.

LOUISIANA

CHOINA, Leroy A.
Sea. 2c [Seaman, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism in rendering assistance to wounded personnel during landing operations at Parry Island, Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Islands. While a vessel was burning as the result of a direct hit and in probable danger of further explosions, he went aboard the vessel and rendered assistance to wounded and others at a rendered assistance to wounded and others at a time when the ships personnel were unable to do so. His courageous action undoubtedly resulted in the prevention of loss of life of many of those injured.

CLAIBORNE, Charles B.
LT, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as operations officer of U.S. Coast Guard flotilla just prior to and during the invasion of the Coast of France in June, 1944. The first boat to arrive from the United States did not reach the United Kingdom until the first of April and craft continued to arrive up until forty-eight hours of D-Day. Lt Claiborne was assigned to duty as operations officer upon reporting shortly before D-Day. Overcoming all obstacles without benefit of any exercises, he succeeded in having every unit in the assigned position the crucial time. Up until November 1, 1944, the Channel had been crossed 1992 times by units of the flotilla covering a total of approximately 200,000 nautical miles. His department remained on a twenty-four basis and accomplished all missions despite extensive repairs necessitated by the trying conditions under



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which the operations were conducted. The leadership, tireless devotion to duty and achievements of Lt. Claiborne were in keeping with the best tradition of the .S. Coast Guard and reflect great credit upon the U.S. naval Service.

LOFTON, John Hale
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a member of the crew of the USS BAYFIELD and serving in an LCVP attached to that ship during operations off the coast of France June 13, 1944. A landing Craft tank was seen to strike a mine and the LCVP was dispatched to assist. Upon approaching the stricken craft two soldiers were seen to be struggling in the water one of which appeared to be badly injured. The LCVP could not get close to the men because of the rough sea. Lofton without hesitation or regard for his own personal safety jumped over board and swam to the assistance of the soldiers. He placed a life ring around the uninjured soldier and went on in an attempt to save the wounded man. When he reached the latter it was evident that the soldier was dead. He brought back the body of the craft and them swam out and brought the unwounded man back.

McKEAN, George W.
CAPT, USCG
Order of Military Merit of Brazil

For safely transporting Brazilians troops to the European theatre of War.

MAINE

ANDERSON, Carlton F.
C.Mo.M.M. [Chief Motor Machinist's Mate] , USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a member of the crew of the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter 83468 off the coast of France June 30, 1944. On this date the mining of a landing craft tank [LCT] was observed approximately one thousand yards distant. After three casualties had been taken aboard from the stricken vessel the commanding officer of the landing craft reported fire aboard and requested volunteers from the cutter to help extinguish the fire. Anderson, after having volunteered, was selected and put aboard the ship. His efficiency and meritorious effort contributed substantially to the extinguishing of the fire and the bringing of the landing craft to the beach.



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McMULLEN, Roderick Peter
F. 1c [Fireman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard a CGC during rescue of survivors from the USS ST. AUGUSTINE after the accidental sinking of that vessel in the Atlantic Ocean on the night of January 6, 1943. Observing several survivors struggling to keep them selves afloat in the heavy seas, McMullen repeatedly jumped over board into life rafts and icy waters to effect their rescue and bring them safe aboard his ship. His courageous initiative and utter disregard for his own personal safety in the face of grave peril undoubtedly saved the lives of many men who otherwise might have perished.

MARYLAND

BRALLIER, Bret H.
CDR, USCG
Silver Star

For gallantry as executive officer of the USCGC CAMPBELL during and following the sinking of an enemy submarine. When his ship surprised the hostile vessel on the surface and collided with it during an attempt to ram he by his expert conning through out a vigorous engagement contributed materially to the sinking of the submarine by gunfire and depth charges and to the capture of several members of his crew. Afterward he rendered invaluable assistance to his commanding officer in the successful control of damage aboard the cutter and her safe towage into port. His courageous leadership and conscientious devotion to duty were in keeping the highest traditions of the U. S. Naval Service.

COULTAS, William F.
Coxswain, USCG
Navy and Marine Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard a CGC during the rescue of survivors from a merchant ship in the Atlantic ocean. Going to the aid of a comrade, Coultas voluntarily descended the port5 rescue net, with another enlisted man, to rescue three survivors who had jumped from a life raft alongside his vessel and were helplessly trying to rescuer their lifelines. Frequently submerged as the vessel rolled to port he worked for fifteen minute, waist deep in water then assisted an exhausted comrade back on board. His courageous efforts in behalf of his shipmates and two survivors saved from almost certain death were in keeping with the highest tradition of the U.S. Naval Service.



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DUCKWORTH, Clifton M.
C.C.M. [Chief Carpenter's Mate], USCG
Legion of Merit

For outstanding service while serving aboard the USCGC CAMPBELL following the sinking of an enemy submarine by that vessel. When the cutter was severely damaged as a result of the attack upon the hostile ship, Duckworth, by his effective skill in shoring and reinforcing bulkheads, made it possible for the vessel to be towed 800 miles to port. In addition to this he also succeeded in constructing a crib from a limited and inadequate supply of lumber on board the stricken vessel. His courageous initiative and perseverance set an inspiring example to the other members of the crew and helped to sustain morale throughout the duration other emergency.

HALL, Norman B.
Commodore, USCG

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as Chief of the Port Security Division of the U.S. Coast Guard from June 1942 to December 1944. Displaying sound judgment and excellent administrative ability, Commodore Hall worked tirelessly in the executive of a difficult assignment. An inspiring and forceful leader, he skillfully supervised the strategic placement of personnel and equipment in the port security organizations, thereby facilitating the safe and uninterrupted flow of our nation's manpower and war materials to the battlefronts of the world.

HIRSHFIELD, James A.
CAPT, USCG
Navy Cross

For extraordinary heroism and distinguished service in action as commanding officer of the USCGC CAMPBELL of February 22 1943, when an enemy submarine was severely damaged and sunk and during the ensuing period when the CAMPBELL, which was damaged in the engagement, was towed safely to port. The CAMPBELL was engaged in escort operations when she caught an enemy.

MARRON, Raymond Virgil
CAPT, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as commanding officer of a ship engaged in the landing of assault troops on Roi and Namur Islands, Kwajalein Atoll, on January 31, 1944, and other operations. His excellent direction of training for the operation and his efficient execution of the missions assigned his ship and attached landing craft contributed largely to the success of the naval phase of the eminently successful attacks.



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MAUERMAN, Raymond J.
CAPT, USCG
Legion of Merit

For meritorious conduct as commanding officer of the USS JOSEPH T. DICKMAN during the amphibious invasion of Italy. Displaying keen judgment and expert professional skill, he effectively directed the training, planning and performance of his ship under devastating hostile fire, enabling troops, vehicles and equipment to be disembarked expeditiously on the well fortified enemy beachhead. By his splendid ship handling and sound evasive tactics he fought his vessel ably and efficiently during repeated heavy bombing attacks and brought her through without serious casualties to his command.

Gold star in lieu of a second Legion of Merit

For outstanding services as commanding officer of DICKMAN prior to and during the amphibious invasion of Southern France 15, 1944. Captain Mauerman efficiently organized and thoroughly trained his ship and boat group to execute the assigned mission leading, transporting to the assault area, and landing the embarked army assault units on the invasion beaches on the coast of Southern France. His able conduct of this task contributed materially to the effective establishment of the beachhead and to the overall success of the invasion.

MEEKINS, G, Tinsley
ENS, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as commanding officer of USCGC 83604 during the initial assault on the coast of France June 6, 1944. The cutter was assigned to take station approximately three hundred yards off the beach when she went to the rescue of personnel from Ducks which had swamped while participating in the operation. Despite the heavy surf and danger from under water obstacles, nine men were rescued one in an unconscious condition. He was given artificial respiration on the open deck and revived en route to a hospital ship. Enemy fire was continuous throughout the rescue operations.

O'NEILL, Merlin
CAPT, USCG
Legion of Merit

For outstanding services in the amphibious invasion of the Island of Sicily as commanding officer of the USS LEONARD WOOD. By careful preparation, outstanding professional skill and cool and energetic leadership under fire, he affected the landing of embarked troops and equipment in such manner as to contribute greatly to the success of the assault. He ably fought



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his ship during enemy bombing attacks, and upon completion of operations, retired from the combat area without any damage to the ship.

PAYNE, Ernest W.

LT, USCG

Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic and courageous conduct while serving as executive officer of a Coast Guard cutter of the U.S. Atlantic fleet during fire fighting operations on October 25, 1944. As officer in charge of a fire fighting party he remained below decks in an extremely dangerous area until fires were extinguished and the gravely imperiled ship save from destruction. Although the in tense heat of the flames and noxious smoke fumes spread through tout the ship. Lt. Payne remained at his station below decks directing fire fighting measures until overcome by the heat and fumes. Upon recovering and realizing that the safety of his own ship and of the disabled ship in tow depended upon the extinguishing of the fires, Lt. Payne resolutely reentered the fired compartment and resumed the direction of the fire fighting operations until the blaze was extinguished.

STRING, John F. Jr.

LT, USCGR

Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry in action while serving as commanding officer of the USS PC 545 off Anzio, Italy on March 18, 1944. When an enemy motor torpedo boat was sighted at night. Lt. String immediately ordered the attack. With an expert display of seaman ship, he so skillfully maneuvered the ship that the first shots scored hits on the enemy craft before it was able to maneuver into position to effectively use its torpedoes and the resulting fire caused it to disintegrate in an explosion. This successful action against the enemy contributed materially to the protection of shipping in the Anzio area and to the successful maintenance of forces ashore.

MASSACHUSETTS

ANDERSON, Langford

LT, USCGR

Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For extremely heroic conduct in effecting the rescue of survivors from the torpedoed SS DORCHESTER 3 February 1943. When benumbed survivors of the DORCHESTER were unable because of heavy seas and freezing winds, TO MAKE ANY EFFORT TO CLIMB ON BOARD THE RESCUING SHIP, Lt. Anderson was the first to volunteer for the dangerous task of going over the side and working in the rough freezing water in order to assist the exhausted



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and helpless survivors in reaching the safety of the CGC COMANCHE. He worked in and out of the water aiding survivors until he was physically exhausted and required assistance to return on board his ship. Largely inspired by the courage a number of men followed his leadership and volunteered for the performance of sillier duty. As a result of the combined efforts of the rescuers under Lt. Anderson leadership a total of 93 survivors were saved.

ANDERSON, Rowland R.
Sea. 2c [Seaman, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard a CGC during rescue of survivors for the USS ST. AUGUSTINE after the accidental sinking of that vessel in the Atlantic the night of January 6, 1943. Observing several survivors struggling to keep themselves afloat in the heavy seas, he repeatedly jumped over board into life rafts and icy waters to affect their rescue and bring them safe aboard his ship. His courageous initiative undoubtedly saved the lives of many men who other wise might have perished.

BERG, Martin D.
LCDR, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as assistant communications officer on the staff of a naval task force commander prior to and during the amphibious invasion of Southern France August, 1944. He displayed great skill and energy in organizing and supervising a training program for all communications personnel of the force and ably directed procurement and installation of equipment required. During the assault operation he assisted in readjusting the radio organization of the task forced to conform to the constantly changing tactical situation and disposition of naval units. The efficient functioning of communications contributed materially to the overall success of the invasion.

CANTWELL, John F.
F. 1c [Fireman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism during the invasion of the coast of France. On August 27, 1944, when his ship was damaged by an underwater explosion, Cantwell was blown over the side with several others and although suffering with two broken legs, he swam to the assistance of a badly injured shipmate and supported him until both were picked up by the ship's boat. Cantwell's shipmates and in keeping with the best tradition of the U.S. Naval Service.



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CHEEVER, William A.

C.B.M. [Chief Boatswain's Mate], USCG

Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a member of Coast Guard Cutter 16 during rescue operations off the coast of France, June 1944. Cheever, when PC 1261 was hit by enemy shell fire and many of her crew thrown into the water, volunteered to go over the side and try to rescue some of the survivors in the water. He did this knowing the personal jeopardy from the sea and enemy shot falling with great intensity. Through his gallant action loss of life from PC 1261 was kept at a minimum.

CUNNINGHAM, Frank M.

So.M. 2c [Soundman, Second Class], USCG

Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For extremely heroic conduct while serving aboard the USCGC ALGONQUIN during the rescue, from a life boat of survivors of the wrecked SS SVEND FOYNE near Greenland, March 21, 1943. With exceptionally rough seas rolling his ship from 20 to 30 degrees and with wind and freezing water greatly hampering rescue operations, Cunningham after recovering from his first futile attempt unhesitatingly went over the ALGONQUIN's side second time and effected a perilous descent on the cargo net to the swamped craft and tied lines around two of the exhausted men, enabling them to be pulled to the vessel's deck. He undoubtedly saved two lives which otherwise might have been lost.

DUNNE, Robert J.

E.M. 3c [Electrician's Mate, Third Class], 3c, USCGR

Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism January 26, 1944, while attached to the USS LST 16 during the amphibious invasion at Anzio, Italy. During a full gale with extremely heavy seas he volunteered as a boat crewmember to go the burning HMS LST 422 in an effort to rescue personnel trapped below decks. He assisted in taking the small boat through a heavily mined area alongside other blazing ship, which was pitching and rolling in a dangerous manner and whose ammunition was exploding and aided in the rescue of a soldier trapped in a lower compartment by removing him through a hole in the side of the ship and bringing him safely to the USS LS 16.

BILDERBACK, Kenneth M.

LTJG, USCG

Air Medal

He contributed materially to the outstanding successfully summer operations of the Greenland patrol. Frequently flying as many as three daily missions under extremely hazardous conditions, LTJG Bilderback increased the effective patrol range of his ship through his own observations



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and through the transfer of vital stores to isolated land patrols and outposts. His timely sighting of an armed enemy trawler resulted in its interception by his mother ship the enemy's subsequent destruction and the resultant prevention of the establishment of an enemy weather station.

BOTTOMS, Benjamin A.

R.M. 1c [Radioman, First Class], USCG

Distinguished Flying Cross (Posthumously)

For extraordinary achievement displayed November 28 and 29, 1942, while participating in aerial flights as radioman of a plane incident to the rescue of Army Fliers stranded on the Greenland Ice Cap. He rendered valuable assistance to the pilot on the two flights to the Ice Cap, maintained excellent contact by radio between his plans and other ship and assisted the pilot in rendering aid to the injured and stranded fliers.

BUTCHER, Reginald W.

LCDR, USCG

Legion of Merit

For outstanding services as commanding officer of U.S. Coast Guard cutter in offensive operations against enemy forces north of the Arctic Circle during the period from July until September 1944. He utilized the limited combat capabilities of his ship to the fullest extent in inflicting major damage on the enemy. Despite the difficulties of traversing sections of the Polar Ice Pack he put ashore a formidable landing force, which located and destroyed an important enemy installation. Later while conducting a patrol in an isolated area, a unit attached to his command sighted a small-armed enemy speed and maneuverability. After a 70-mile chase through ice fields he successes in outmaneuvering the enemy closing effective gun range and forcing the enemy to surrender and scuttle.

DURGIN, Willard L.

Mo.M.M. 1c [Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCGR

Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as engineer of landing boat from a United States transport during the assault on and occupation of French Morocco, November 8-11, 1942. Under extremely hazardous conditions he heroically remained at his post in a stranded boat for two-and-one-half days, keeping the craft bailed out and free from sand, despite grueling hardships and exposure to hostile bombing and strafing. Through his tireless efforts and dauntless courage. Durgin enabled our forces to salvage the boat for further service in transporting troops and supplies to the beaches at a time when boats were urgently needed for vital landing operations.



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FLANAGAN, Thomas R.
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star

For heroic service in combat against the enemy. LTJG Flanagan was the gunnery officer on board the USS LST 202, which was engaged in the supply, was subjected to heavy enemy mortar and machine gunfire from the shore. He skillfully opened up an accurate strafing attack against the enemy shore installations and succeeded in silencing them without his ship suffering casualties or material damage.

HANNIGAN, John F.
B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCG
Bronze Star

For heroism as crewmember of the USCGC 16 during rescue operations off the coast of France June, 1944. When PC 1261 was hit by enemy shellfire and many of her crew thrown into the water, Hannigan volunteered to go over the side and try to rescue survivors in the water. He did this knowing the personal jeopardy from the sea and intense enemy fire. Through his gallant action loss of life from the PC 1261 was kept at a minimum.

HARLAND, George John
So.M. 3c [Soundman, Third Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USS RICKETTS during rescue operations following a collision between the SS EL COSTON and the SS MURFREESBORO in the Atlantic Area on the night of February 25-26 1944. When the crew members of both severely damaged vessels were forced by raging gasoline fires to abandon ship, he voluntarily went over the side of his heavily roiling rescue ship and despite rough seas and burning gasoline which covered a large part of the water worked tirelessly and with utter disregard for his own safety to aid the exhausted survivors in reaching and climbing the nets rigged along the sides of the rescue vessels.

HERSEY, Paul F.
LTJG, USCG
Air Medal

For achievement as pilot of a Navy amphibious utility plane based in a Coast Guard Cutter of the U.S. Atlantic Fleet from July to October 1944. LTJG Hersey contributed materially to the success of operations against enemy forces and installations in Northeast Greenland through his successful accomplishment of aerial patrols and searches. Handicapped by extremely unfavorable flying conditions extensive mechanical failures and inadequate spares, he kept his



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plane in a continuously operative condition during a period of three months with in the limits of the Polar Ice Pack.

HILDTICH, Frank D.
LT, USCG
Bronze Star

For outstanding services as commanding officer of the USCGC SORREL in connection with the salvaging of the burning abandoned tanker MURFREESBORO. On contacting the derelict he was unable to take it in tow because of extremely unfavorable weather and the small size and limited power of his hip. While waiting for the weather to moderate the SORREL searched the area for survivors. Late in the afternoon of February 28, 1944 when sea and wind had abated, he closed the burning tanker and put a salvage party on board. They succeeded in extinguishing the fires and the following morning Lt. Hilditch led a salvage party aboard the MURFREESBORO and began attempts to get the ship underway under its own power, which were continued until a salvage tug capable of taking the large tanker in tow arrived on the scene. His brilliant seamanship made possible the salvage of the tanker with its large cargo of high-octane aviation gasoline.

HILL, Walter
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a crewmember of the USCGC 83468 off the coast of France on June 30, 1944. On this date the mining of a landing craft tank was observed approximately one thousand yard distant. After three casualties had been taken from the stricken ship, the commanding officer of landing craft report fire aboard and requested volunteers from the cutter to help extinguish the fire. Hill volunteered and was put aboard. His efficiency and meritorious effort contributed substantially to the extinguishing of the fore and the bringing of the landing craft to the beach.

JOSEPH, John M
LT, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as U.S. Naval liaison loading Officer with the U.S. Army prior to and during the amphibious invasion of Southern France prior to ad during the amphibious invasion of Southern France in August 1944. During the planning stages of the invasion, he exhibited great professional skill and untiring energy in assisting in the pre-stowage planning and loading of combat loaders. He maintained a close and tactful liaison with the Army at all times, and largely through his expert advice and meticulous attending to detail the practice landings in the Gulf of Arzew, Algeria were carried out with outstanding efficiency and dispatch. His intelligent planning and ready cooperation, which materially contributed to the expedition



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discharge of Army vehicles and equipment of the Allied Beachheads, were instrumental in the overall success of the invasion.

KALLAS, Peter
Mo.M. M. 1c [Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct during a raging fire at Pemberton Supply pier on July 25, 1943. Undeterred by the warning of extreme danger, Kallas hurried along the burning pier and with two companions braved a virtual wall of flame and dense smoke to go aboard a Coast Guard speedboat moored to the wharf. Standing by while the Coast Guardsmen dived over the side in an attempt to save a Picket Boat which was already ablaze, he sustained serious burns from the terrific heat but succeeded in pulling the two exhausted men aboard and getting them safely to shore. His gallant action in saving his two comrades at great risk to his own life was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Naval Service.

KELLEY, Thomas N.
LCDR, USCGR
Bronze Star

For heroic conduct in action against the enemy while commanding office of vessels in amphibious operations in the Southwest Pacific Area. He aggressively maneuvered his ship in a courageous manner in each of these operations, and contributed to the success of the operations by his professional knowledge, skill and leadership. His conduct in the combat areas has distinguished him among those performing duties of the same character.

LINDQUIST, Karl A. E.
LCDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For heroic conduct in action against the enemy while commanding officer, USS LST 68 and commander, LST Division 42, Flotilla 7, in amphibious operations at Cape Gloucester, 26 December 1943; Admiralty Islands 6 March 1944; Humboldt bay, 23 April 1944; Wakde 17 May 1944; Noemfoor, 4 July, 1944 and Sansapor, 2 August 1944. He aggressively maneuvered his ship and his division in a courageous manner in each of the above operations and his leadership contributed to the success of them.

McGILLICUDDY, Leo X.
Coxswain, USCG
Bronze Star



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For meritorious service as coxswain of a landing boat while engaged in operation against the enemy at Kwajalein Atoll, in January and February 1944; Guam, in July 1944; Peleliu Island in September 1944 and Leyte Island on 20 October 1944. Throughout these operations, although subjected to enemy mortar, machine gun and artillery fire, he courageously and efficiently performed his duties. During the assault on Leyte his boat was struck and heavily damaged by enemy fire. After exhausting all efforts to reach the beach, McGillicuddy efficiently directed the transfer of passengers and members of the crew several of whom were gravely wounded. By courageous conduct during these operations he distinguished himself among those performing duties of a similar nature.

NICKERSON, Arthur
C.M. 1c [Carpenter's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For extremely heroic conduct while serving aboard a Coast Guard Cutter in attempting the rescue of survivors of a sinking U.S. Army transport. When a small boat containing thirty-two survivors of the sinking ship was so violently thrown about by the rough seas that three men were thrown over the side, Nickerson volunteered to go the rescue of the helpless men. Disregarding a northerly gale, snow, extremely rough seas and the near freezing temperature of the water and the battered exhausted condition of a shipmate who had previously suit entered the water in an effort to retrieve one of the survivors. Making his way to the survivor, Nickerson succeeded in towing him back to the cutter where the survivor slipped from his grasp after Nickerson had been battered into a state of helplessness by the heavy seas. Nickerson was then hauled back on board the cutter in a semi-conscious condition.

O'HAYRE, Robert J.
LTJG, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism during the amphibious invasion of Southern France on 16 August 1944. When the landing craft of which he was officer in charge was passing close aboard a U.S. Army Hospital Ship which had just hoisted anchor and was getting underway, a man aboard the Hospital Ship was seen to fall over board. Life rings were thrown to him from the ship and a line was thrown from the landing craft but due to the rough waters and owing to his inability to swim the man was unable to hold on to any of them. With complete disregard for his own safety, LTJG O'Hayre jumped into the water swam to the drowning man and sustained him until both were hauled aboard to safety. His prompt and courageous action was undoubtedly responsible for saving the life of the drowning man.

PEDERSON, Arne C.
LT, USCG
Bronze Star



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For exceptional performance of duty while serving in Northeast Greenland and outlying stations during the period from October 1941 until September 1944. Lt. Pederson, despite the rigors and hardships of an isolated Arctic Station, established and operated a high frequency radio direction finder station in an inaccessible and uninhabited part of Northeast Greenland. Cut off from the rest of the world, he and a single assistant remained at this isolated station almost a year monitoring all radio transmission in an attempt to locate enemy radio station in that area. Later, establishing a similar station on an outlying island, he performed similar duties definitively locating two enemy weather stations and subjecting one to attack by American forces.

PETERSON, Clarence H.
CAPT, USCG
Silver Star

For gallantry in action against the enemy. As commander of a task unit he personally led it in an amphibious operation. When the unit was attacked by enemy aircraft he fought his command expertly, displaying outstanding leadership and courage, minimizing his own damage and inflicting heavy loss on the enemy. He led succeeding echelons in re-supply without loss of a single ship in his task unit.

PFEIFFER, Arthur
LT, USCG
[Bronze Star Medal]

For heroic conduct as boarding officer of the USCGC CAMPBELL following the sinking of an enemy submarine by that vessel on February 22, 1943. After it had been established that part of the Hostile crew was still aboard the sinking ship Lt. Pfeiffer, despite intense darkness and treacherous sea, set out in a small craft and navigated the intervening span by compass and sound. Arriving safely at the submarine he displayed keen judgment and exceptional skill in preventing the loss of his boat and boarding party and as a result of his courageous initiative was successful in capturing five survivors of the sinking ship.

POLLARD, Francis C.
LCDR, USCG (Ret.)
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct as commanding officer of the USCGC NORTHLAND during the rescue of three members of the Royal Canadian Air Force from the Greenland Ice Cap on November 23, 1942. Upon receiving the message that an A-20 bomber with three crew members were marooned on the Ice Cap LCDR Pollard immediately proceeded to the position given and for four days through heavy fog and snow storms, stood off and on position. Finally when the fog lifted and the latitude could be determined by sunlight, he maneuvered his ship through



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dangerous ice and with the aid of a volunteer crew from the ship directed the perilous operations, which resulted in the rescue of the stranded man, who might otherwise have perished.

Legion of Merit

For meritorious achievement as a commanding officer of the USCGC NORTHLAND in attacking and probably destroying an enemy submarine in the North Atlantic 18 June 1942. Although handicapped by inadequate equipment and a limited number of depth charges, the NORTHLAND made two depth charge attacks which resulted in large air and oil bubbles in the area of the attack. No further contact could be made following the second attack though the area was vigorously search by both surface and aircraft. The accuracy of the attacks resulted in severe damage and probable destruction of the enemy as verified by the persistent oil slick and air bubbles that continued to rise from the scene of the attack as late as ten hours after the initial depth charging.

STELMASCZYK, Benjamin
Radio Electricians Mate, USCG
Legion of Merit

For outstanding service while serving aboard USCGC CAMPBELL when that ship succeeded in sinking an enemy submarine, February 22, 1943. After radar equipment had been damaged by depth-charge action Radio Electrician Stelmasczyk effected repairs and established contact, which resulted in the eventual destruction of the enemy. Although subsequent failure of the ship's power rendered radio equipment inoperative, he not only succeeded in clearing a dispatch informing the Task Unit Commander of the CAMPBELL's condition but also maintained continuous watch on several frequencies while the cutter was being towed 800 miles to port.

SMITH, Edward H.
RADM, USCG
Distinguished Service Medal

For exceptionally meritorious service as Commander of the Greenland Patrol and later SWEENEY as commander of a task force in the Atlantic Fleet from December, 1941 to November 1944. During the critical years organized and administered the naval bases and stations in Greenland and in the Arctic for the support of the Army in those areas and the Naval control of the North Atlantic. Under extremely difficult conditions the forces of his command successfully operated patrols and escorts, maintained a system of weather stations and provided full logistic and tactical support of the Army. As commander of a task force he directed vital weather, patrol and escort services which were of inestimable assistance in connection with the ferrying of aircraft and the operation of transport planes to and from the European theaters of war and effectively protected valuable convoys.



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SMITH, Edwin E.
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as commanding officer of the USCGC 83361 in rescuing survivors of the invasion off the coast of France in June, 1944, the cutter stood by a sinking landing craft tank and escort her into the beach in order to be available for rescue work should the craft founder before beaching. Despite continuous enemy machine gun fire from the beach, she completed his mission. On June 21, 1944, the cutter rescue eight survivors from a British ammunition barge and six men from a British diesel barge, both of which were sinking. These rescues were effected during height of a storm of gale capacity.

SWEENEY, William F.
G.M. 3c [Gunner's Mate, Third Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a member of the crew of the USCGC 16 during rescue operations off the coast of France, when PC 1261 was hit by enemy shellfire and many of crew thrown into the water, volunteered to go over the side and try to rescue survivors, despite intense enemy fire. Through his gallant action loss of life from PC 1261 was kept at a minimum.

THOMAS, Horace Leslie
C.E.M. [Chief Electrician's Mate], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal (Posthumous)

For heroic conduct while rescuing an exhausted officer from drowning on April 7, 1944. When a motor whale boat attached to the USS HHOWARD D. CROW capsized during hoisting operations, throwing her crew into the sea, Thomas promptly lowered himself into the treacherous waters and secured in line to the drowning man. Thomas enabled the crew to haul his helpless shipmate aboard, although he himself drowned while attempting to return to the vessel.

THOMPSON, Edward C., Jr.
LCDR, USCG
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry as captain of the USS PC 545 in action against enemy forces during the assault on the Island of Sicily. Accurately locating the strategic beaches assigned for landing operations, LCDR Thompson, although forced to maintain fire silence in order to support a surprise attack, tenaciously held his hazardous anchorage three thousand years offshore and continued to provide vital signals to direct the landing craft, despite constant exposure to hostile searchlights and imminent danger of enemy fire.



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THOMPSON, Edward C. Jr.

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For meritorious conduct during Navy operations in support of the Army in the latter phase of the campaign in Sicily. As commanding officer of a patrol craft, he rendered outstanding service in escorting, under enemy fire, a group of landing craft engaged in ferrying equipment. On the night of August 8 he employed his ship as a screening vessel for a group of landing craft which were making an amphibious landing behind enemy lines. His courage and seamanship contributed to the success of the Army.

TUCKER, Frank Allan
Coxswain, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as coxswain of a landing boat in connection with operation at Kwajalein Atoll, Marshall Islands; Guam, Peleiu Island, Palau; and Leyte Island, Philippine Islands from 31 January to 20 October 1944. All of these operations were carried out against strong artillery and machine gun fire. During the Leyte assault when his boat was hit by shell fire he assisted in evacuating all personnel from his boat calmly and efficiently to a rescue boat under continuous enemy fire and applied first aid to Army personnel who had been stunned and wounded by the explosion.

VANDERSCOFF, Charles R.
E.M. 2c [Electrician's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct in rescuing a boy from the rapids of the Machias River, Machias, MA on May 5, 1944. When a young boy jumped into the rapids from his small raft a sit broke from the river bank and headed toward the falls, Vanderscoff without delaying to remove his clothing and heavy boots, unhesitatingly plunged into the water and swam to the struggling child and succeeded in bringing him to shore.

WIGGIN, Philip Munroe
Coxswain, USCGR
Bronze Star

For heroic service in the assault on Saipan island beginning 15 June 1944. As coxswain of a boat, he brought his boat repeatedly into heavy enemy mortar artillery and sniper fire in carrying out the boat's duties. During the initial assault and for six days following he remained in his boat and by his extraordinary devotion to duty was a constant inspiration to the members of his crew.



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WOOD, Bernard B.
ENS, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as commanding officer of the USCGC 83300 in rescuing survivors of the invasion off the coast of France on 6 June 1944. During the day 47 lives were saved through the efforts of this ship, including personnel of the U.S. Army, U.S. Navy and Royal Navy. The rescues were affected within 2,000 yards of the beach in a bitterly cold and heavy sea. Enemy fire was continuous. Despite the additional hazards created by the presence of assault craft, every man surviving was picked up except four who disappeared below the surface before the craft could be maneuvered into position to save them. In each case of a wounded survivor, member of the crew went over the side into the sea to the water to the cutter.

MICHIGAN

BARNARD, Philip E.
C.B.M. [Chief Boatswain's Mate], USCG
Legion of Merit

For outstanding service while attached to the USS JOSEPH T. DICKMAN during the amphibious assault at Salerno, Italy, on September 9, 1943. In the face of intense accurate enemy gunfire Barnard skillfully maneuvered his heavy landing craft to a successful landing on the correct beach and unloaded the assault troops and vehicles. Although his boat was badly damaged and three crew members seriously wounded as he withdrew from the beach he steadfastly maintained control of the craft transferred two of the wounded to a nearby patrol boat and with dauntless courage, guided the crippled boat over eight miles on mined waters for period of six hours and returned it to the DICKMAN.

DANNISON, Byron G.
C.B.M. [Chief Boatswain's Mate], USCG
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry in action while serving as coxswain of a heavy landing craft during the amphibious assault in the Bay of Salerno, Italy on September 9, 1943. Skillfully maneuvering his boat in the face of intense enemy gunfire, Dannison successfully landed troops and heavy vehicles and although frequently subjected to hostile aerial strafing attacks worked tirelessly and with outstanding efficiency in salvaging damaged and breached boats on the beach throughout the remainder of the operations.



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LYSAGHT, Marshall
C.B.M. [Chief Boatswain's Mate], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USCGC ATAK in effecting the rescue of personnel from the wrecked trawler TERRA NOVA on September 13, 1943. Upon learning that 20 members of the trawler's crew remained on board the sinking vessel Lysaght volunteered as coxswain of the lifeboat assigned the rescue operations and skillfully made four trips between the two vessels. Working without relief for four hours and loading his small boat to capacity on each run he succeeded in the transferring all survivors from the trawlers to his ship.

MILLER, Harold C.
B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCG
Silver Star

For gallantry in action as coxswain of boat No. 3 of the USS McKEAN on August 7, 1942, during the landing on Tulagi Island, which boat with seven others constituted the first assault wave. He landed his embarked troops and then made repeated trips during that day and on the 8th and 9th in spite of heavy enemy fire to affect the landing of equipment, ammunition, and supplies. On force at Taivu Point, Guadalcanal Island thereby contributing to the successful operations in which the enemy were defeated.

PETERSON, Carl Uno
LCDR, USCG
Legion of Merit (posthumously)

For outstanding services as commanding officer of the USCGC ESCANABA while that vessel was engaged in rescue operations in behalf of an American transport, which was torpedoed and sunk on February 3, 1943. Proceeding through heavy seas in total darkness, LCDR Peterson under imminent threat of enemy attack, took immediate action that involved great skill with the result that 133 men were rescued from the sea.

SAGAS, Robert
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism on January 26, 1944, which attached to USS LST 16, during the amphibious invasion at Anzio, Italy. During a full gale with extremely heavy seas Sagas volunteered as a member of a boat crew to go to the side of the burning HMS LST 422 in an effort to rescue personnel trapped below decks. Without hesitation he assisted in taking the small boat through a heavily mined area alongside the blazing ship. Despite the fact that the HMS LST 422 was pitching and rolling in a dangerous manner and ammunition was exploding he aided in effecting



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the rescue of a soldier trapped in a lower compartment of the ship by removing him through a hole in the side of the LST and being him safely to the USS LST 16.

SPARLING, William A.

B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCG
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry as coxswain of boat No. 2 of the USS McKEAN during against enemy Japanese forces on Tulagi Island, August 7, 1942. Forming part of the initial assault wave, Sparling landed his embarked troops, and then made three return trips in the face of terrific enemy fire to land equipment, ammunition and supplies. On September 8 he effected a successful landing against a Japanese force at Taivu Point on Guadalcanal Island. His proficient leadership and courageous devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the U.S. Naval Service.

STETKAR, Emil

B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while attached to the USCG cutter during the rescue of a shipmate in the strait between Kodiak and Afognak Islands, AK, on October 30, 1944. Engaged in replacing a canvas cover on a motor whaleboat when a comrade fell overboard into the icy waters, Stetkar promptly threw him a line and a life buoy and observing the shocked man's inability to help himself in the swift current unhesitatingly went over the side although severely handicapped by heavy foul-weather clothing. Pushing the lifeline along as he swam, he reached the side of the unconscious man and bravely exerting every effort to hold his helpless companion's head above the water despite his own member condition, succeeded in supporting him until the arrival of a rescue boat.

STUINEN, Wesley M.

B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a member of the crew of the USCG 16 during rescue operations off the coast of France, June 1944. Sutinen, when PC 1261 was hit by enemy shellfire and many of her crew thrown into the water, volunteered to go over the side and try to rescue some of the personal jeopardy from the sea and the enemy shot which were falling with great intensity. Through his gallant action the loss of life from PS 1261 was kept at a minimum.

VYN, Arend, Jr.

LTJG, USCGR
Silver Star



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For gallantry in action as commanding officer of USS LCI 91 in the assault on the coast of France June 6, 1944. LTJG Vyn beached his ship and discharged the Army elements therein the face of murderous fire and a labyrinth of obstacles and mines. In spite of the fact that his ship was mined and repeatedly struck by artillery fire and small arm fire, he continued to land the army load in the face of certain loss of his ship. his determination to put the Army ashore was in keeping with the highest traditions of the offensive spirit of the U.S. Naval Service.

MISSISSIPPI

LEE, James
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism on 20 April 1944, while serving on board the USS MENGES off the Algerian coast. When a U.S. destroyer on convoy escort duty was attached and sunk by enemy bombing planes, the USS MENGES proceeded to the rescue of survivors. Lee, while the ship was picking up survivors voluntarily at great personal risk, repeatedly went over the side into the oil covered water in order to more effectively aid the wounded and shocked survivors of the stricken ship, who otherwise would have been unable to save themselves. His tireless work contributed materially to the saving of many men who might otherwise have been left.

SMITH, Wilbur Reece
ENS, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard a Destroyer Escort during the rescue of survivors of the sunk USS LEOPOLD in the North Atlantic area on the night of March 9, 1944. Courageously volunteering to assist in the rescue activities ENS Smith, although fully aware that his own ship might be forced to leave the area to avoid hostile torpedoes or to attack enemy submarines operating in the vicinity unhesitatingly went over the side into the ice, oil-covered waters and working tirelessly and with utter disregard for personal safety, secured life line around the exhausted survivors continue his battle against the rough seas. ENS Smith's initiative and unselfish efforts on behalf of his comrades were contributing factors in the saving of many lives.

MISSOURI



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GORDON, William Hyatt
Surgeon, USPHS [U.S. Public Health Service]
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as senior medical officer of the USS CALLAWAY during operations against Kwajalein, Marshall Island, in January and February and against Saipan Marianas Island in July 1944. Exercising keen foresight and sound application of superior professional knowledge Dr. Gordon planned organized and skill fully supervised the ship's material department and by his thorough and effective training of hi pharmacist's mates and hospital apprentice teams was largely responsible for the expeditions and efficient handled of numerous casualties evacuated to his ship during subsequent vital operations. Dr. Gordon's tireless efforts and steadfast devotion through out these highly important periods were of invaluable assistance to the U.S. Naval Service.

HARDIN, Truman
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star

For heroic achievement as assistant boat group commander of the boats of transportation operations against the enemy of Saipan Island on 15 June 1944 and for several days thereafter. Knowing that the pass through the barrier reef off Charon-Kanea, the only pass through the reef at this point would be kept under heavy fire while the enemy was capable of delivering fire he directed his transport division of loading craft loaded with tanks of the assault. By his courage skill and determination he was largely instrumental in delivering tanks to the troops ashore. This task was performed in the face of heavy mortar, artillery and sniper fire.

HEIMER, Roger C.
CAPT, USCG
Legion of Merit

For outstanding services as commanding officer of the USS SAMUEL CHASE during the amphibious assault on Sicily July 10-12, 1944. Surmounting numerous obstacles Captain Heimer, despite subjection to persistent and accurate raids by hostile planes, enabled his ship to disembark assault troops and unload vehicles and equipment on the assigned beach. Through his outstanding skill, expert supervision of the men under his command, and unwavering attention to the vital and difficult task Captain Heimer contributed materially to the success of our forces in the Sicilian invasion.

Gold Star in lieu of the second Legion of Merit

For services as commanding officer of the USS SAMUEL CHASE during the amphibious assault on Italy. Under Captain Heimer's skillful and judicious direction in the thorough training



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and planning for the combat performance of the SAMUEL CHASE, the operation was conducted expeditiously and with timely effectiveness which enabled the embarked troops and equipment to be landed promptly on the heavily defended beaches. He fought his ship gallantly during repeated enemy bombing attacks and after successfully completing his mission retired from the combat area without serious casualty to his command.

SMART, Ned E.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement at sea December 5-6 1944, while serving aboard a U.S. Army large tug en route to the Philippines. His craft went to the rescue of another ship, which had been torpedoed by enemy action and saved 277 survivors from the abandoned ship.

NEBRASKA

BANKS, George I.
S.C. 2c [Ship's Cook, Second Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a crewmember of the USCGC 16 during rescue operations off the coast of France, June 1944. When PS 1261 was hit by enemy shellfire and many of her crew thrown into the water, Banks volunteered to go over the side and try to rescue some of the survivors in the water. He did this knowing the personal jeopardy from the sea and heavy enemy fire. Through his gallant action the loss of life from PC 1261 was kept at a minimum.

DOAK, Gaylen E.
F. 1c [Fireman, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism while serving aboard the USS MENGES on 3 May 1944 when the ship was torpedoed by an enemy submarine in the Mediterranean Sea. Several men were trapped in severely damaged compartments in the after part of the ship. Doak, with great courage, entered the damaged compartment and although further explosion was imminent he assisted in removing two badly wounded men to safety, thereby probably saving their lives.

PRICHARD, George W.
Coxswain, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal



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For heroic conduct as coxswain of a powerboat during rescue operations when a U.S. warship stranded. With mountainous seas breaking heavily on board the sinking warship and on the adjacent rocks, Prichard skillfully maneuvered his boat into extremely perilous positions, many times narrowly escaping certain destruction, and personally rescued fifteen of his shipmates.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

HARWOOD, Charles W.
CAPT, USCG
Legion of Merit

For outstanding services as commander of a Naval Task Group during the amphibious assault on the Island of Sicily. In addition to his duty as commanding officer of the USS JOSEPH T. DICKMAN, Captain Harwood commanded the Naval Task Group, which landed battalions directly on the beaches fronting Gela, Sicily. By his sound judgment in planning, thorough indoctrination of his forces, and by his cool and skillful leadership under fire the assault battalions were expeditiously landed and supported, thereby greatly contributing to the success of the invasion.

NEW JERSEY

BACKER, Arthur E.
B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For courageous conduct in effecting the rescue of survivors from the torpedoed SS DORCHESTER on 3 February 1943. When the benumbed survivors were unable because of heavy seas and freezing wind to make any effort to climb on board the rescuing ship, Backer volunteered for the dangerous task of going over the side and working in the rough, freezing water in order to assist the exhausted and helpless survivors in reaching the safety of the USCGC COMANCHE. In spite of the strong sub-freezing wind and the rough near freezing sea he disregarded all discomfort and danger and worked with complete disregard for his on safety until he and fellow volunteers had rescued a total of 93 survivors from certain death in the steadily mounting seas.

BENDER, John L.
LT, USCGR
Bronze Star



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For meritorious performance of duty as Anti-Submarine Warfare Officer of a U.S. DE. The anti-submarine attack team of the DE, organized and trained by Lt. Bender and performing completely under his supervision delivered an extremely accurate initial depth charge attack in April 1944 which straddled and severely damaged and forced the U-Boat to the surface. During the approach for the attack Lt. Bender, as the sound recorder operator, correctly interpreted the enemy maneuvers, kept the conning officer accurately informed, and perfectly determined the correct time of depth charge release. The ensuing attack was carried out most efficiently in spite of a casualty at the depth charge rack which was correctly remedied in the instinctive action of the men at the station who had been specifically trained by Lt. Bender during practice attacks as to the proper manner of overcoming the particular casualty with which they were faced.

BETZ, George E.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as coxswain of LCVP No 4 while that craft was participating in the assault on France June 6, 1944. Betz upon retracting saw an LCA to the eastward driven from the beach by gunfire and sunk. Immediately he proceeded to this point, which was within range of the enemy batteries and succeeded in saving the lives of most of the troops and British crew member of the LCA.

CLARK, Paul Leaman
F. 1c [Fireman, First Class], USCG
Navy Cross

For extraordinary heroism while serving as engineer of a landing boat attached to the USS JOSEPH T. DICKMAN during the assault on the occupation of French Morocco from November 8 to 11 1942. When a hostile plane strafed his boat with machinegun fire mortally wounding the bow man and severely injuring the coxswain, Clark with quick initiative immediately with drew from the beach. Speeding toward the USS PALMER, he placed the wounded men aboard and although his craft was riddled by enemy bullets courageously returned to his station at the beach.

FRIEL, John J. Jr.
ENS, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For outstanding heroism while attached to an USS LST on 21 May 1944. West loch Pearl Harbor, T.H. following an explosion. Returning from shore in a small boat he preceded to his ship amid falling debris and rescued a number of men trapped on one of the propeller guards then continued to rescue others from the water of the harbor. Without regard to danger or physical hardship he persisted in his efforts to save lives and property.



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GOLENIECKI, John V.

B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCGR

Legion Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct while attached to a U.S. Transport during the assault on and occupation of French Morocco, November 8-11 1942. When the members of his support boat landing northeast of Fedala, were attacked by hostile planes and ground forces, consequently being uncut off the from the other landing groups. Goleniecki volunteered to man a rubber boat in order to contact our forces and obtain assistance. With the aid of a shipmate he effected a daring escape despite difficult conditions and hostile fire and reaching his objective the same evening, furnished the Attack Force Commander with the first information of the beleaguered group.

ING, Edwin Bruce

LCDR, USCG

Air Medal

For meritorious achievement in aerial flight as pilot of an amphibious plane attached to the Air Patrol Detachment Traverse City, Michigan and later serving with the Coast Guard Air Station Brooklyn NY. Disregarding adverse weather conditions darkness and other hazards he made numerous flights, on one occasion flying a total distance of 700 miles to search for a boatload of survivors from the SS MAIDEN CREEK sunk on December 31, 1942. Upon sighting the craft he immediately dropped shipwreck kits and emergency rations, subsequently directing a merchant vessel to the scene where expeditions rescue operations were effect.

LAWRENCE, William G.

C.B.M. [Chief Boatswain's Mate], USCGR

Silver Star

For gallantry in action while attached to the USS SAMUEL CHASE during the amphibious invasion of the Island of Sicily on July 10, 1943, and of the Italian mainland on September 9, 1943. Operating a specially fitted landing boat which had been converted for salvage and rescue work Lawrence in the face of constant enemy aerial attack and intense artillery fire effected the salvage of approximate one hundred broached and stranded craft immediately after the initial assault near Gela, Sicily. Later under similar perilous conditions he returned to service a large number of disabled craft after the assaults on the beaches in the Gulf of Salerno. His valuable services contributed materially to the effective support of the invasion forces during two major amphibious operations.

LeGATES, Walter L.

C.W.T. [Chief Water Tender], USCG

Silver Star



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For conspicuous gallantry while serving aboard the USCGC CAMPBELL during and following the sinking of an enemy submarine by that vessel. When the engine room flooded and the main engines failed as result of the attack upon the neither hostile ship LeGates, laboring throughout the night with neither sleeps nor rest, rendered invaluable assistance to the Assistant Damage Control Officer. His courageous perseverance contributed greatly to the final salvaging of the damaged vessel and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the U.S. Navy Service.

LEWANDOWSKI, Edward Paul
Rdm. 3c [Radarman, Third Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USS RICKETTS during rescue operations following a collision between the SS EL COSTON and the SS MURFREESBORO in the Atlantic Area on the night of February 25-26 1944. When the crewmembers of both severely damaged vessels were forced by raging gasoline fires to abandon ship Lewandowski voluntarily went over the side of his heavily rolling rescue ship and despite the rough sears and burning gasoline which covered a large part of the water worked tirelessly and with utter disregard of his own safety to aid the exhausted survivors in reaching and climbing the nets rigged along the sides of the rescue vessel.

McMANUS, Edward Joseph
R.M. 3c [Radioman, Third Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USS RICKETTS during rescue operations following a collision between the SS EL COSTON and the SS MURFREESBORO in the Atlantic Area on the night of February 25-26 1944. When the crewmembers of both severely damaged vessels were forced by raging gasoline fires to abandon ship Lewandowski voluntarily went over the side of his heavily rolling rescue ship and despite the rough sears and burning gasoline which covered a large part of the water worked tirelessly and with utter disregard of his own safety to aid the exhausted survivors in reaching and climbing the nets rigged along the sides of the rescue vessel.

PALMER, Walter L.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry in action on January 26, 1944, while attached to the USS LST 16 during the amphibious invasion of Anzio, Italy. During a full gale with extreme heavy seas Palmer volunteered as a member of boat crew that went to the rescue of personnel trapped below decks of the blazing HMS LST 422. His expert seamanship brought the craft through a heavily mined area and despite the fact that the HMS LST 422 was pitching and rolling in a dangerous



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manner and ammunition was constantly exploding he succeeded in bringing his craft alongside and effecting the rescue of a soldier trapped in lower compartment of the ship without means of escape by removing him through a hole in the side of the ship and bringing him safely to the USS LST 16.

PEER Richard S.
ENS, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious performance of duty as commanding officer of USCGC No. 8 during operations off the coast of France 9 June 1944. ENS Peer skillfully maneuvered his vessel to assist the British Merchant Vessel FORT PICK, which was hit by a bomb and burning amidships. The cool and determined manner in which he encouraged the troops and casualties aboard the FORT DICK and the great courage he displayed in a situation fraught with danger were in keeping with the best traditions of the U.S. Naval Service.

PETRENKI, John Jr.
C.Mo.M.M. [Chief Motor Machinist's Mate] , USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USCGC ATAK in effecting the rescue of personnel from the wrecked trawler TERRA NORVA on September 13, 1944. Upon being informed that 20 members of the trawler's crew were on board the sinking vessel. Petrenki volunteered for duty as part of the crew of a lifeboat assigned the rescue operations and despite heavy seas and high winds remained at his oar for four hours until survivors had been transferred from the trawler to his ship.

[REILLY, WILLIAM
Bronze Star
Presidential Unit Citation

Awarded for combat duty on Guadalcanal while assigned to the Lunga Point Boat Pool after service on USS *Hunter Liggett*.]

SALMON, Robert M.
LT, USCGR
Silver Star

For gallantry as commanding officer of a U.S. LCI (L) while landing assault troops in Normandy, France June 6 1944. He pressed the landing of troops despite the mining of his vessel a serious fire forward and heavy enemy gunfire. He supervised the unloading of troops, directed the fire fighting despite the loss of proper equipment and exhibiting courage of high degree



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remained with the ship until it was impossible to control the progress of the fire and it was necessary to abandon ship over the stern. After abandoning he directed a party searching for fire fighting equipment and subsequently fought the fire on another LCI (L) and assisted her commanding officer until she was abandoned.

SMITH, James F.
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star Medal

For meritorious service in connection with the operations against the enemy as commanding officer of the USCGC 83321 during the initial assault on the coast of France on 6 June 1944. Approximately thirty minutes after zero hour he observed the two amphibious craft endeavoring the land three-inch field guns on the beachhead were experiencing difficulty. Despite hazardous navigation and continual enemy action he took the craft in tow and succeeded in getting them to shallow water, ensuring all seven members of a sinking amphibious craft which and been half swamped when taken in tow. Seventeen other survivors of the operation were rescued by his cutter during the ensuing hours.

SMITH, Richard Robert
LCDR, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while supervising the reduce of personnel from a U.S. warship when that vessel stranded. While mountainous seas beat heavily against the stricken ship and crashed on the adjacent rocks, he fearlessly set out in a powerboat for the warship. Maneuvering his craft through treacherous waters he made repeated trips to the stranded ship and succeeded in rescuing about 45 men while the other boats under his daring command saved an additional 155 who might otherwise have perished.

WALDRON, John A.
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as officer in charge of a volunteer fire fighting and salvage party from a destroyer escort of the U.S. Atlantic Fleet. LTJG Waldron volunteered to lead a rescue party which boarded an abandoned and burning merchant ship. Knowing that the crippled ship was in danger of further enemy torpedo attacker and the compartment forward of the blazing hold contained a sizable amount of ammunition he remained on board and directed fire fighting operations. Through the effective action taken by him the fire was brought under control and ultimately extinguished. The ship was towed to port and salvaged.



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NEW YORK

ANDERSON, Robert W.

ENS, USCGR

Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For courageous conduct in effecting the rescue of survivors from the torpedoed SS DORCHESTER on 3 February 1943. When the benumbed survivors of the SS DORCHESTER was unable because of heavy seas and freezing wind to make any effort to climb on board the rescuing ship ENS Anderson volunteered for the dangerous task of going over the side and working in the rough and freezing water in order to assist the exhausted and helpless survivors in reaching the safety of his own safety until the and fellow workers had rescued a total of 93 survivors from certain death in the steadily mounting seas.

ARRIGHI, Richard, A.

ENS, USCGR

Navy & Marine Corps Medal (posthumously)

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USCGC ESCANABA during the rescue of survivors from the torpedoed USAT DORCHESTER in North Atlantic waters on February 3, 1943. Despite the menace of possible enemy submarine action. ENS Arrighi risked his life in the black and icy waters of the Atlantic to aid in the rescue of unconscious and helpless survivors. Fully aware of the danger of being crushed by the force of the heavy sea, he swam to the aid of a comrade who had fallen between a lifeboat and the ship. ENS Arrigh's gallant and voluntary action in subjecting himself to pounding seas and bitter cold for nearly four hours, despite a leaking rubber suit, contribute to the rescue of 145 persons.

BARRETT, John A.

Sea. 2c [Seaman, Second Class], USCGR

Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For outstanding devotion to duty while serving aboard the USCGC CALYPSO during the rescue of survivors from the USS PLYMOUTH on August 5, 1943. Volunteering to man a small boat to be launched from the deck of his ship, Barrett with several comrades, unhesitatingly went to the rescue of survivors floating helplessly downwind in the turbulent seas. Although the small craft was half swamped in launching by heavy rolling of his vessel, he worked tirelessly to keep the boat from being smashed or flooded, finally got under way successfully and assisted in picking up several survivors from the shark infested waters. His unswerving determination aided materially in the rescue of many who otherwise might have been lost.



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BENNETT, David E.

Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR

Bronze Star Medal

For heroic service as a member of an assault transport beach party in connection with operations against the enemy at Leyte Island, Philippine Islands on 20 October 1944. while Bennett was on a beach which was taken being subjected to a heavy enemy mortar attack, a landing ship was struck by an enemy projectile and several of its personnel were blown into the water. His personal safety. Bennett swam out under fire and rescued two of the men were struggling in the water. His courageous conduct was from keeping with the highest tradition of the Naval service.

BESON, Clifford Leonard

LTJG, USCGR

Bronze Star

For heroic service as boat group commander of the boats of a transport in operations against the enemy at Saipan Island on 15 June 1944, and for several days thereafter. As a result of his efforts and those of another boat office six medium tanks were landed immediately after the assault troops had landed. This landing was accomplished under heavy enemy mortar artillery and sniper fire. He reconnoitered the lagoon of Charon-Kanoa on 15 June 1944. During this time the boat in which he was embarked was under heavy mortar, sniper and artillery fire. As a result of the reconnaissance a U.S. Army reserve regiment was led by him through this pass during darkness the night of 15 June 1944, without loss from navigational mishap or from enemy fire.

BILLOS, Harry P.

E.M. 2c [Electrician's Mate, Second Class], USCG

Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct in effecting the rescue of survivors from the torpedoed SS DORCHESTER of 3 February 1943. When the number survivors of the SS DORCHESTER were unable because of heavy seas and freezing wind to make any efforts to climb on board the rescuing ship he volunteered for the dangerous task of going over the side and working in the rough freezing water in order to assist the exhausted and helpless survivors in reaching the safety of the COMANCHE. In spite of the strong sub-freezing wind and the rough near freezing sea, he disregarded all discomforts and danger and worked with complete disregard of his own safety until he and fellow volunteers had rescued a total of 93 survivors from certain death in the steadily mounting seas.

BURKE, Rayner C.

C.Q.M. [Chief Quartermaster], USCG

Silver Star Medal



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For conspicuous gallantry while serving aboard the USCGC CAMPBELL during the sinking of an enemy submarine by that vessel. When his commanding officer was wounded during the course of the action. Burke immediately took charge of searchlight, which the injured man had been compelled to abandon. Directing its beam on the hostile vessel. He provided effective target illumination for accurate gunfire which eventually sent the submarine to the bottom.

CARROZZA, Alfonso D.
Y. 2c [Yeoman, Second Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

Serving aboard the USCGC ALGONQUIN in Atlantic waters Carrozza climbed down the side of the ship and into swamped lifeboat, secured a life line on one occupant and cleared a fouled life line which had been previously secured to another occupant, who were by this time in a state of collapse from exposure to freezing water and low temperature thus saving at the risk of his own life the life of a survivor who other wise might have perished.

CLARK, George C.
LTJG, USCGR
British Distinguished Service Cross

During the landing of Commandos at Quistreham by LCI (S) on 6 June 1944 Lt. Clark's cutter was detailed to act as escort to LCI (S) HM LCI(S) 524 on clearing the beach after landing troops received a direct hit and blew up in a sheet of flames leaving a mass of blazing Octane petrol on the water. Although his cutter burned Octane petrol, he did not hesitate to street is craft into the flames and rescue the commanding officer and some of his men.

CULLEN, John C.
B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct while on patrol at Long Island, New York, on the night of June 13, 1942. When several Nazi saboteurs bearing boxes of TNT and other destructive apparatus landed on the beach at Amagansett Cullen, unarmed and helpless against their menacing threat cleverly allayed their suspicions and thwarted their subversive intentions by promptly accepting a proffered bribe then sounding an alarm that led to their eventual capture. Subsequently volunteering as member of a searching party, he remained on the beach all night and after apprehension of the enemy agents. Furnished vital and incriminating testimony before a special military commission conducting trial. His keen presence of mind and discerning judgment in a grave emergency undoubtedly prevented the successful culmination of hostile intrigue designed to sabotage our national war effort.



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DAVID, Charles W., Jr.
St. M. 1c [Steward's Mate, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct in effecting the rescue of survivors from the torpedoed SS DORCHESTER on 3 February 1943. when the benumbed survivors were unable because of heavy seas and freezing wind to make any effort to climb on board the rescuing ship David volunteered for the dangerous task of going over the side and working in the rough water to assist the exhausted survivors in reaching the safety of the USCGC COMANCHE. Disregarding all discomfort and danger to himself, he worked until he and fellow volunteers had rescued a total of 93 survivors from certain death in the steadily mounting sea.

DEXTER, Dwight Hodge
CDR, USCG
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry in action against an armed enemy as commanding officer of the naval Local Defense Force and Anti-Submarine Patrol, Guadalcanal-Gavutu. LCDR Dexter landed with the Marines on August 7, 1942 and established and administered the Naval Local Defense Force in these occupied islands until November 5, 1942 on which date he was evacuated due to illness. During the three months while he was in command of this unit, he was subjected to almost daily aircraft bombing attacks and for many weeks to an almost nightly naval bombardment. Throughout this entire period, his courage, determination and zeal made it possible to maintain in operation a signal station and a boat operating organization which was essential to the successful unloading of many troops and many thousands of tons of supplies to the forces ashore. By his courage in the face of great hardship and danger, he set an example which was an inspiration to all who served with him.

DiLORENZO, Edmond
Sea. 2c [Seaman, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For extremely heroic conduct while attached to the USS PC 469 when two enlisted men were washed overboard in a heavy sea south of Guantanamo, CUBA, April 13, 1944. Undeterred by knowledge of sharks in the area. DiLorenzo risked his life to assist in the rescue. Accompanied by an officer he obtained life preservers and dived overboard, quickly swimming to the side of one man and calmly supporting him during an attack by a shark on the other victim only a few yards away. Although unable to inflate his own life preserver he remained cool doing everything possible to encourage the frightened and clinging to him as he battled the heavy swells until the arrival of the ship boat.



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EDGE, R.R.
LT, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service in combat against the enemy. Lt Edge was the commanding officer of the USS LST 202, which was engaged in the supply of Los Negros Island, on 9 March 1944. His ship was subjected to a heavy enemy mortar and machine gun fire from the shore. He skillfully maneuvered his ship and accurately strafed the beach by gunfire. By his courageous efforts he succeeded in silencing enemy shore position and accomplished the mission assigned to him. Thought his efforts no casualties or material damages were suffered.

FULLER, Richard L.
ENS, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism while attached to the USCGC NORTHLAND in connection with the rescue of U.S. Army personnel stranded on the Greenland Ice Cap on November 11, 1942. When winter weather conditions forced withdrawal Fuller on 4 December 1942, volunteered to remain as officer-in-charge of a detail of four men to be left at the Beach Head Station. This party was to attempt to rescue nine U.S. Army officer and men stranded on the Ice Cap and to locate the wreckage of a Coast Guard plane which had crashed the area. Under extreme weather conditions which exposed him to great danger and suffering he pushed on over the Ice Cap to within six miles of the marooned men before being turned back by impossible crevasses.

GUNTHER, Alvin F.
C.M.M. [Chief Machinist's Mate], USCG
Silver Star

For gallantry in action while attached to the USCGC CAMPBELL on February 22, 1943, when an enemy submarine was severely damaged and sunk and during the ensuing period when the USCGC CAMPBELL, which was damaged in the engagement, was towed safely into port. Handicapped by rapidly rising water and the arcing of electrical equipment being sprayed with salt water, Gunther descended to the engine room bilges to establish more accurately the size and location of the hole in the ship's side and to investigate the possibility of reducing the flooding. Afterwards his efficient assistance to the engineer officer of the watch helped minimize the damage to important machinery.

HARRISON, John P.
Coxswain, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal



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For courageous conduct in effecting the rescue of survivors from the torpedoed SS DORCHESTER on 3 February 1943. Because of heavy seas and freezing wind the benumbed survivor were unable to climb on board the rescuing ship. Harrison voluntarily went over the side and assisted the exhausted men to reach the safety of the USCGC COMANCHE. Disregard in all danger he worked until he and fellow volunteers had rescued a total of 93 survivors from certain death in the steadily mounting seas.

JENNINGS, Damon
C.M.M. [Chief Machinist's Mate], USCG
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry as engineering officer of the watch while serving aboard the USCGC CAMPBELL during and following the sinking of an enemy submarine by that vessel. When the engine room flooded as a result of the attack upon hostile ship, Jennings in the face of rapidly rising water calmly directed engine room personnel in carrying out the orders of the engineer officer. By his sound judgment and timely initiative he helped prevent serious damage to vital machinery and contributed greatly to the final salvaging of the vessel.

KRAMM, Herman H.
G.M. 3c [Gunner's Mate, Third Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USCGC CALYPSO during the rescue of survivors from the USS PLYMOUTH on August 5, 1943. Volunteering the man a small boat to be launched from the deck of his ship, Kramm with several comrades went to the rescue of survivors floating helplessly downward in the turbulent seas. Although the small craft was half swamped in launching by heavy rolling of his vessel, he worked tirelessly to keep the boat from being smashed or flooded, finally got under way successfully and assisted in picking up several survivors from the shark infested waters.

KURTA, Stanley B.
LTJG, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For extremely heroic conduct while attached to the USS PC-469 when two enlisted men were washed overboard in a heavy sea south of Guantanamo, Cuba, April 12, 1944. Undeterred by knowledge of sharks in the area, he obtained life preservers and accompanied by a seaman dived overboard. Quickly swimming to the side of one man he did everything possible to calm him turned him over to the seaman to be supported until picked up by the ship's boat. Proceeding to the other victim about fifteen yards farther out, he courageously fought off an attacking shark, struggling to hold the wounded man in spite of his own waning strength and lacerations to his hand sustained in the unequal combat.



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McCABE, F. M.
LCDR, USCG
Legion of Merit

Or exceptionally meritorious conduct on 20 April 1944, while serving as commanding officer of a destroyer escort off the Algerian Coast. When U.S. destroyer on convoy escort duty was attached and sunk by enemy planes, his ship proceeded to the rescues of survivors. He displayed great skill and exceptional seamanship in so maneuvering his ship that more than one hundred exhausted and injured survivors were saved. Later, when his ship was torpedoed in action with an enemy submarine, he so skillfully directed the operation of his ship that although seriously among damaged it was saved and brought into port.

McELLIGOTT, Raymond T.
CAPT, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as commanding officer of a transport during two assaults landing operations against enemy held islands in the Pacific during January and June 1944. By his expert direction of training and operations of his ship and attached landing craft, he contributed largely to the success of the naval phase of the eminently successful attacks.

MARTIN, Henry, Jr.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USS RICKETTS during rescue operations following a collision between the SS EL COSTON and the SS MURFREESBORO in the Atlantic Area on the night of February 25-26, 1944. When the crew member of both severely damaged ships were forced by raging gasoline fires to abandon ship Martin voluntarily went over the side of his heavily rolling rescue ship and despite rough seas and burning gasoline which covered a large part of the water, worked tirelessly to aid the exhausted survivors in reaching and climbing the nets rigged along the sides of the rescue ship.

MEEBERG, Urho I.
C.M. 2c [Carpenter's Mate, Second Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USCGC ATAK in effecting the rescue of personnel from the wrecked trawler TERRA NORVA on September 13, 1943. Upon being informed that twenty members of the trawler's crew were on board the sinking vessel, Meeberg volunteered for duty as part of the crew of lifeboat assigned the rescue operations and despite heavy seas and high



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winds, steadfastly remained at his oar for four hours until all survivors had been transferred from the trawler to his ship.

MICHELS, John H.
LT, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement while serving as executive officer of a U.S. Coast Guard cutter of the U.S. Atlantic Fleet during the summer and fall of 1943. While on an offensive mission against enemy installations known to be in the vicinity the cutter's rudder was severely damaged and the ship immobilized by heavy pack ice. Faced with protracted isolation and the possible danger of the ship's being crushed by the increasing weight of ice, Lt. Michels volunteered to enter the frigid water to effect temporary repairs to the rudder. In spite of heavy pans of ice which floated in the small open lead at the stern, he went over the side on an improvised raft and by working submerged in the 29 degree Fahrenheit water, succeeded in completing a jury rig which permitted the ship to proceed to a port in Iceland where permanent repairs were completed.

MITCHELL, William G.
S.K. 1c [Storekeeper, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For extremely heroic conduct while serving aboard a U.S. Coast Guard cutter in attempting the rescue of survivors of a sinking U.S. Army Transport. When a small boat containing thirty-two survivors of the sinking ship was so violently thrown about by the rough seas that three men were thrown over the side Mitchell volunteered to go to the rescue of the helpless men. Disregarding a northerly gale, snow, extremely rough seas and the near freezing temperature of the water, Mitchell clad in a rubber suit, secured a cargo net and entered the water in an effort to retrieve one of the survivors. In spite of the extremely unfavorable condition under which he worked he continued his efforts to save the man until he was helpless as a result of the combined effects of the numbing cold and the continuous battering of his body against the side of the ship by the heavy seas. In a semi-conscious condition he was hauled back aboard the cutter and forced to desist from his heroic efforts.

MURPHY, Daniel Francis, Jr.
B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For distinguishing himself by heroic achievement in action in the assault on Saipan Island on 15 June 1944. As the coxswain of a landing boat he entered, under heavy enemy mortar, artillery and sniper fire through the Charon-Kanoa Pass, his boat piloting landing craft loaded with tanks.



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NIRSCHEL, Fred W.
LCDR, USCGR
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry as member of a reconnaissance patrol transported to a Japanese held island in the Pacific Area during the latter part of December 1943. With no knowledge of enemy strength or the attitude of natives to the Allied Nations and with limited means of escape, he went ashore in the face of certain danger and within a brief space of time secured information concerning the strength of Japanese forces and their equipment and had determined the most suitable beach for future landing as well as favorable sites for bomber and fighter strips. Discovered by the enemy and in danger of being captured by a hostile party possessing superior arms, he fought gallantly assisting in ambushing and killing three Japanese, wounding one and putting the remainder to flight before struggling back through heavy surf to the rendezvous with friendly craft.

OLSON, Bjarne Olai
Rdm. 3c [Radarman, Third Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard a destroyer escort during rescue of survivors of the sunk USS LEOPOLD in the North Atlantic Area on the night of March 9, 1944. Courageously volunteering to assist in the rescue activities. Olsen although fully aware that his own ship might be forced to leave the area to avoid hostile torpedoes or to attack enemy submarines operating in the vicinity unhesitatingly went over the side into the icy, oil covered waters and working tirelessly and with utter disregard for personal safety secured life lines around the exhausted survivors until he himself was completely exhausted and unable to continue his battle against rough seas.

PATTYSON, Brewster G.
ENS, USCGR
Bronze Star Medal

For meritorious service as commanding officer of the USCGC 83327 during the initial assault on the Coast of France 6 June 1944. During the day fifteen men were rescued by his cutter from sinking ducks just off the beach. Later 34 more men were rescued under similar conditions, including personnel of the armed services of both the United States and Great Britain. Many of those rescued were wounded requiring that members of the crew² of the cutter give immediate first aid to the victims. Despite heavy surf and continuous enemy fire all missions were accomplished without damage to the cutter or injury to the personnel.



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PFISTER, Arthur F.
LCDR, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct as officer in charge of the fireboat Fleet, Port Security Command, Third Naval District, during fire fighting operations aboard the SS EL ESTERO, loaded with a cargo of explosives in New York harbor, New York, on April 24, 1943. Realizing the ever present danger of an explosion he boarded the burning vessel and skillfully directed the activities of three Coast Guard fireboats which assisted in controlling and extinguishing the fire. By his calm and courageous leadership he inspired the personnel under his command and working tirelessly for hours contributed in large part to preventing an explosion which would have done incalculable damage to other vessels and vital installations in the harbor.

PILLARD, Arthur E.
C.B.M. [Chief Boatswain's Mate], USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as senior deck petty officer aboard the USCGC CAMPBELL during and following the sinking of an enemy submarine by that vessel. When the cutter was severely damaged as a result of the attack upon the hostile ship, Pillard succeeded in covering the hull with a collision mat and crib. Although unable to keep the crib in place because of the high seas, he nevertheless by his timely initiative set a courageous example which served to calm the members of the crew and sustain their moral through out the duration of the emergency.

POWERS, James A.
Sea. 2c [Seaman, Second Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious performance of duty during amphibious operations on the Coast of Cotentin Peninsula, Baie de la Seine, France June 6, 1944. Powers was a crew member aboard the LCM (3) PA13-1 making the initial assault. While his craft was being unloaded at the beach it sustained two direct hits by enemy shell fire. One shell struck the gun shield just forward of Powers, wounding his face and hands. Despite these injuries he willingly and efficiently carried out his duties refusing to leave his craft for medical aid until it was hoisted from the water.

RILEY, Francis X.
LTJG, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious performance as commanding officer of a landing craft infantry (Large), on salvage duties during the assault on the coast of France, June 6 1944 and subsequently he gave



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continuous aid to wrecked craft and made it possible for these craft to continue in the performance of their duties in the face of difficult sea conditions and enemy shellfire from the initial assault onward. On June 0 at 0236, LTJG secured two dumb barges loaded with ammunition that were loose and drifting onto St. Marcouf Island removing a danger to shipping and craft and making available to the army much needed ammunition.

SCHEU, Robert S.
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as commanding officer of the U. S. Coast Guard Cutter 83447 off the coast of France on June 9 1944 and August 21, 1944. On the first date the cutter proceeded to the aid of the USS RICH which had been mined approximately two miles from the French coast in a concentrated mine area. Upon arriving on the scene the cutter moored alongside the stricken ship. Despite the fact that the vessel was sinking rapidly all hands made every effort the assist in the rescue of the personnel aboard the destroyer escort. The cutter sighted HMS ORCHIS on August 21 in sinking condition in an assault area. She had apparently been mined and her captain had beached her in an effort to keep her from sinking. Despite heavy seas hazardous navigation and the shallowness of water the commanding officer maneuvered the rescuing raft alongside the stricken vessel and succeeded in transferring twelve survivors, four of whom were wounded and the ship's papers and confidential matter to his ship.

SCHLESINGER, Rudolph T.
C.Ph.M. [Chief Pharmacist's Mate], USCGR
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct while serving on the USS NEWELL on 20 April 1944, in the Mediterranean. Subsequent to an enemy air attack on an allied convoy the USS NEWELL was engaged in picking up one hundred and nineteen survivors of the USS LANSDALE. During and after this rescue operation, Schlesinger and pharmacist's mates aboard his ship administered all medical treatment without aid of the doctor. Several of the survivors where unconscious and had to be resuscitated [while] several others had fractured limbs; others were stretcher cases; and all of them had been in oil polluted water for a period of one the four hours. In addition Schlesinger organized the wardroom as a dressing station with such thoroughness that it was converted into a virtual hospital with great dispatch. By his able and expeditious treatment of survivors suffering from shock, immersion and minor injuries, his efforts undoubtedly contributed to the saving of many lives.

SEAMON, Max T.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal



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For heroism as a member of the crew of the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter 83428 in rescuing survivors off the coast of France on August 7, 1944. On this date the cutter proceeded to the scene of the sinking of HMS AMSTERDAM, a hospital ship. During the rescue operations seaman went over the side with one of the pneumatic life rafts and began gather the seriously wounded onto the raft, making them as comfortable as possible until such time as they could be taken aboard the ship. he remained in the water during the entire operation which lasted an hour and a half and the savings of many lives can be attributed to his meritorious action.

SPENCER, Lyndon
RADM, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious service as commanding officer USS BAYFIELD, the flagship of RADM Don P. Moon, U.S. Navy, Commander Task Force "U". This Naval Assault Force successfully landed the II Corps, U.S. Army on the Cherbourg Peninsula of France against will prepare defense ad strong opposition during the period 6-24 June 1944. A commanding officer of the Force Flagship, RADM - the Captain - Spencer rendered every conceivable aid to his Commander and the Force a great deal of which was beyond that to be normally expected.

STANLEY, John Theodore
LCDR, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct while serving as munitions Officer, Port Security Command. Third Naval District during fire fighting operations aboard the SS EL ESTERO loaded with a cargo of explosives, in New York Harbor on April 24, 1943. Realizing the ever present danger of an explosion, LCDR Stanly boarded the burning vessel and for three hours heroically directed a large detail of men engaged in controlling and extinguishing the fire. By his calm and courageous leadership, he inspired the personnel under his command and skillfully coordinated their activities, thereby preventing an explosion, which might have done incalculable damage to other vessels and vital installations in the harbor.

STEWART, Alexander H. Jr.
CDR, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as commanding officer of a U.S. Coast Guard Rescue Flotilla during the invasion of high state of efficiency in the operation of the units of his flotilla throughout the initial assault and build up period immediately following the landing. All obstacles were surmounted despite limited time due to late arrival. His craft rescued fourteen hundred and thirty-eight survivors and accomplished in a prompt and efficient manner many missions as



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escorts, navigational leaders and dispatch boats. The contribution of this command to the success of the invasion was substantial.

SUMMER, John Francis
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious and courageous performance of highly responsible duties under fire as Boat Group Commander during assault landings at the beaches, in the day of the Seine, France on June 6, 1944, as well as for extremely valuable work in the planning of Task Group Operations prior to the assault.

SUTPHIN, Clarence H.
B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCG
Bronze Star

For heroic achievement on June 15 and 16 1944, in action with an enemy force during the invasion of Saipan Island. He swam with the line through heavy surf to a tank lighter stranded on a reef and stayed aboard under mortar artillery fire until its salvage. He aided materially in the salvage of another tank lighter on the beach under struck in a group of eight Marines, killing five and seriously wounding three others, he gave the three wounded first aid and moved them to a first aid station; the beach at the time being under sniper and mortar fire. His courage and conduct throughout were in keeping with the highest tradition of the naval service.

SYNON, George D.
LCDR, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as a commanding officer of a U.S. Coast Guard Cutter during action against an enemy German submarine off the coast of Florida. Preceding immediately to the area where a hostile submarine had been located, he contacted it and attacked with depth charges and continued his aggressive tactics until a continuing oil slick gave evidence of the probable destruction of the enemy vessel.

TEZANOS, Joseph
G.M. 2c [Gunner's Mate, Second Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For distinguished heroism while serving as a volunteer member of a boat crew engaged in rescue operations during a fire in Pearl Harbor, Oahu, T.H. on 21 May 1944. Under conditions of great personal danger from fire and explosions and with disregard of his own safety he assisted in the



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rescuing of approximately 42 survivors some of whom were injured and exhausted from the water and from burning ships.

VAN NOSTRAND, Leroy
LT, USCG
Bronze Star

Or meritorious achievements on 20 April 1944, while serving on board the USS MENGES off the Algerian coast. When a U.S. Destroyer on convoy escort duty was attacked and sunk by enemy bombing planes, the MENGES proceeded to the rescue of survivors. Lt. Van Nostrand executive officer displayed commendable leadership and exceptional skill in directing the rescue of more than on hundred survivors and directing the treatment of those who ere injured or suffering from shock and exposure. Later when the MENGES was torpedoed in action within enemy submarine he again distinguished himself in supervision the internal operations of the ship and in the rescue of survivors thus materially contributing not only to the saving of the ship but also to the saving of many lives.

WARD, Thomas W.
C.B.M. [Chief Boatswain's Mate], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism and meritorious conduct in attempting to save his ship which burned and explode and for saving a wounded Marine from further injury and death during a fire in Pearl Harbor, Oahu, T. H. on 21 May 1944. Under condition of great personal danger from falling debris, fire and concussion he courageously directed his men t when there was no hope of saving the ship he voluntarily inspected below to see that all wounded men were out and then evacuated a badly wounded Marine, thus explosion him self and suffering a serious wound because of his action.

WHITE, Howard A.
LCDR, USCG
Bronze Star

Or heroic achievement as commanding officer of LST 66 and subsequently as commander of an LST division in offense action against Japanese forces in the forward area of the Southwest Pacific. During the amphibious landing at Cape Gloucester on December 26, 1943, he skillfully directed gunfire of his ships, which resulted in the destruction of three hostile aircraft and the effective rout of the Japanese force with a minimum of casualties or material damage to his own command. Displaying outstanding judgment and expert seamanship he contributed to the success of an LST flotilla in carrying out subsequent assigned operation against enemy opposition with devastating effect.



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WILCOX, Robert
LCDR, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as commanding officer of a U.S. DE [USS *Joyce*, DE-317] in offensive action against an enemy submarine. Proceeding to the area of an attack, he established contact and attached with such accuracy that the first depth charge pattern straddles the submarine, threw the enemy completely out of control and forced him to the surface. He immediately opened very effective gunfire on the U-Boat as its conning tower broke the surface. Combined attacks including concentrated fire from three destroyer escorts and final ramming attack by one of the attacking escorts completed the destruction of the helpless enemy submarine.

WILLIAMS, Fred William, Jr.
Sea. 2c [Seaman, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard a USCGC during rescue of survivors from the USS ST. AUGUSTINE after the accidentally sinking of that vessel in the Atlantic Ocean on the night of January 6, 1943. Observing several survivors struggling to keep themselves afloat in the heavy seas, Williams repeatedly jumped over board into the icy waters to affect their rescue and bring them safe aboard his ship. his courageous initiative and utter disregard for his own personal safety undoubtedly saved the lives of many men who otherwise might have perished.

YACCARINO, Joseph Jr.
Ph.M. 1c [Pharmacist's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct while serving on the USS NEWELL on 20 April 1944 in the Mediterranean. Subsequent to an enemy air attack the USS NEWELL was engaged in picking up one hundred and nineteen survivors of the USS LANSDALE. During and after this rescue Yaccarino together with a chief Pharmacist's mate aboard his ship administered all medical treatments without the aid of a doctor. Several of the survivors were unconscious and had to be resuscitated several others had fractured limbs many were stretcher cases and all had been in oil polluted water for a period of one to four hours. In addition to manning the after dressing station at which treatment for shock, immersion and minor injuries was given, Yaccarino descended into the water assisted in rigging those with broken limbs into Stokes litters before they were hoisted aboard and while in the water administered hypodermics to ease the pain of their injuries.



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NORTH CAROLINA

BURKE, Richard L.
CDR, USCG
Distinguished Flying Cross

For heroism and achievement as commanding officer of the U.S. Coast Guard Air Station at Elizabeth City and as commanding of an aviation task unit of the Chesapeake Air Patrol during the entire period of his service since the United States entered the war. Participating in numerous anti-submarine and convoy protective patrols, in addition to many rescue assistance and hospitalization flights, CDR Burke constantly exercised keen judgment expert airmanship skill and great initiative under extremely adverse conditions. On one occasion he rescued several German survivors from a destroyed enemy submarine. Electing to land on the open sea in waves estimated at eight feet high. CDR Burke on another occasion effected the transfer from a ship to his plane of a U.S. Navy enlisted man who was urgently in need of an emergency operation and had to be transported immediately to a shore hospital;. Despite major damage suffered by his plane during the latter undertaking CDR Burke carried out his mission successfully and heroically.

DALE, Carlos Kenny
LT, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USS RICKETTS during rescue operations following a collision between the SS EL COSTON and the SS MURFREESBORO in the Atlantic Area on the night of February 25-26 1944. When the crew members of both severely damaged vessels were forced by raging gasoline fires to abandon ship, he voluntarily went over the side of his heavily rolling rescue ship and despite the rough seas and burning gasoline which covered a large part of the water worked tirelessly and with utter disregard for his own personal safety to aid the exhausted survivors in reaching and climbing the nets rigged along the sides of the rescue vessel.

DUDLEY, Ralph L.
Coxswain, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism while attached to the USCGC ALGONQUIN on 21 March 1943, when survivors from the SS SVEND FOYNE were rescued. Dudley exhibited outstanding heroism when under difficult conditions of darkness, cold and rough seas and under great physical hardship, he assisted in the rescue of survivors from a swamped lifeboat at the risk of his own life. He bravely climbed down a cargo net over the ship's side and entered the water between the boat and the



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ship in a valiant attempt to save the survivors who were in a state of collapse and would have perished but for his courageous efforts.

FULFORD, Nathaniel S.
CDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious conduct as executive officer of a U.S. attack transport during the period from August 1943 to September 1944, in the amphibious invasion of the Gilbert Islands and Marshall Islands. By his intelligent planning and energetic leadership of personnel he contributed materially to the successful debarkation of the troops and equipment from his ship in each instance. He inspired confidence in the officers and men associated with him, which contributed in a commendable degree to the success of his ship in these important operations against the enemy.

GALLOWAY, Grady Ransom
LT, USCGR
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry in action while serving as Amphibious Scout and Beach Marking Officer during the amphibious assault at Salerno, Italy on September 9, 1943. Displaying great daring he placed his craft in the center of the landing beach within 200 yards of enemy machine gun emplacement. When intense hostile fire swept the area as the first wave of boats attempted to land, he coolly directed the firing of a rocket barrage over coming immediate enemy resistance and enabling our forces to beach successfully.

HARRIS, Glen Livingston
Surfman, USCG
Silver Star

For gallantry in action as coxswain of a boat of the USS McKEAN on August 7, 1942 during the landing on Tulagi Island, which boat with seven other constituted the first assault wave. He landed his embarked troops and they made repeated trips during that day and on the 8th and 9th, in spite of heavy enemy fire to effect the landing of equipment, ammunition and supplies and on September 8, 1942, he made a landing against a Japanese force at Taivu Point, Guadalcanal Island thereby materially contributing to the successful operations in which the enemy were defeated.

McPHAIL, Richard V.
LTJG, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal



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For heroism while commanding officer of USCGC 16 engaged in rescue operation during the assault on the coast of France 6 June 1944. he brought his rescue craft alongside a sinking landing craft tank which was loaded with ammunition and burning to effect the rescue of incapacitated survivors. He left the side of the craft, but unhesitatingly and mindful that the vessel might explode at any minute, put about and again came alongside when informed that another man with two broken legs was believed to be still aboard as the LST sank from sight.

THRESHER, Russell W.
LCDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as acting task unit commander and commanding officer of a Coast Guard cutter in sustained operations north of the Arctic Circle from July until October 1944. He coordinated and controlled series of highly effective summer operations against enemy patrols and outposts in the Greenland area. Ships under his command located and destroyed isolated and secret installation and facilities, which were of inestimable, value to the enemy. Later when a companion ship was disable by the loss of its rudder he screened the crippled ship until after a tow of 900 miles violent storms broke and towline and dispersed the group. Despite mountainous seas and winds of gale force, he took the disabled ship in tow and under continued unfavorable weather conditions, icebergs and floating glacier debris succeeded in bringing the crippled ship to safety.

TILLET, Forest D.
Coxswain, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while attached to the USS JOSEPH T. DICKMAN in effecting the rescue of a shipmate from drowning near the liberty landing barge in Arzew Harbor, Algeria on November 9, 1943. Observing a comrade struggling to keep himself afloat in the swiftly moving harbor waters. Tillett dived overboard with utter disregard for his own personal safety and swam to his rescue. Placing the helpless man aboard a small landing craft, he applied artificial respiration with unwavering perseverance for a period of ninety minutes then after transfer to another vessel, steadfastly continued his attempts to revived the unconscious survivor despite his won weakened condition. Tillett's courageous initiative and gallant conduct saved the life of a man who otherwise might have perished.

OHIO



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CANTILLION, Matthew P.
LTJG, USCGR
Silver Star

For gallantry in action as a member of a Navy Beach Party in the amphibious attack on Biak Island, Schouten Group, Dutch New Guinea, on 27 May 1944. When members of the party landed on Green Beach and were subjected to severe hand ground fire from Japanese troops in two caves in the cliff near the beach he procured band grenades a weapon with which he was unfamiliar, from a soldier returned to the cliff area and by ground fire eliminated the enemy resistance killing the four Japanese in the caves. By his initiation, courage and resourceful fighting qualities under fire he defeated enemy resistance and made possible the expeditious landing of vital material without casualty.

CLARK, David C.
So.M. 2c [Sonarman, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a crewmember of the USCGC 83413 in rescuing survivors of the invasion off the coast of France in June 1944. On June 8th his ship proceeded in full speed in utter disregard of mines to the rescue of the USS RICH, which had been mined approximately two miles from the French coast in a concentrated mine area. After the cutter had been moored along side the stricken ship, Clark going aboard with the member of the crew especially distinguished himself by remaining on the bridge of the destroyer escort and freeing one of the members of the crew of the stricken ship who had become entangled in a line. By the time the man was freed, all avenues of escape from the bridge were cut off by water. Clark assisted by a fellow enlisted man threw the victim who was a stretcher case, overboard and then followed him over the side. They succeeded in keeping him afloat until such time as they could all be taken aboard the cutter.

COBURN, Winston T.
So.M. 3c [Soundman, Third Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service in operations against the enemy as operator of the sound equipment of a U.S. DE in the spring of 1944. The DE proceeded to the area of the attack where, despite the evasive action taken by the submarine during the interval between the attack and the arrival of the DE, Coburn detected the U-Boat in the vicinity of the attacked ship. After locating the submarine Coburn furnished the anti-submarine attack team with continuous and accurate information on the enemy. Basing his attack on this information the commanding officer of the DE made a single accurate depth charge attack, which severely damaged and forced the U-Boat to the surface where it was destroyed by ramming and the combined gunfire attacks of the anti-submarine ships in the area.



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DOEBLER, Harold J.
CDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For heroic conduct during operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area. As Commander of a task group escorting vessels to this vicinity, he skillfully deployed his screen of escorts to repel persistent enemy air attacks. Only two ships of the convoy were damaged by planes that penetrated the screen. By his prompt action he succeeded in rescuing several hundred men who were forced to abandon ship. his resourcefulness, initiative and coolness under fire enabled him to bring the convoy to the base with comparatively small loss.

FRIEND, Charles
Mo.M. M. 1c [Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class] 1c, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard a destroyer escort during the rescue of survivors of the sunk USS LEOPOLD in the North Atlantic area on the night of March 9, 1944. Volunteering to assist in the rescue activities, Friend, although fully aware that his own ship might be forced to leave the area to avoid hostile torpedoes or to attack enemy submarines operating in the vicinity, unhesitatingly went over the side into the icy, oil covered waters and working tirelessly and with utter disregard for personal safety secured life lines around the exhausted survivors until he himself was completely exhausted and unable to continue his battle against the rough seas. His selfless efforts were contributing factors in the saving of many lives.

IRWIN, Patrick B.
ENS, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

(Same as Friend's)

KLEIN, Jacob, Jr.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct on occasion of the crash of an Army B-26 bomber into the Gulf of Mexico off shore from Coast Guard Beach Patrol Station 501 on August 8, 1943. Undeterred by the absence of a boat or some other buoyant object to float out to survivors Klein swam three-fourths of a mile off shore in order to reach two stunned and exhausted airmen whose life jackets have been fouled in the crash. Directing both men to cling to the after side of a partially inflated rubber boat he towed them safely into shallow water.



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MILLER, Harvey J.
LTJG, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct as officer in charge of damage control while serving aboard the USCGC CAMPBELL during and following the sinking of an enemy submarine by that vessel on February 22, 1943. When the engine room flooded and the main engines failed as result of the attack upon the hostile ship, he immediately shored and reinforced bulkheads and connecting pipelines. Afterward, he labored tirelessly without sleep or rest in an attempt to maintain auxiliary power machinery and install jury lighting circuits and water lines. His conscientious devotion to duty contributed greatly to the final salvaging of the damaged Bessel.

SCHEUERMAN, John C.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Silver Star (posthumously)

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action while serving aboard the USS LCI (L) 319 during the amphibious invasion of Italy, September 9, 1943. Observing an enemy fighter plane diving in for a strafing attack as his vessel approached the assault beached in the Gulf of Salerno, unhesitatingly manned his battle station at an exposed anti-aircraft gun and with cool courage exerted every effort to direct accurate gunfire against the plane. Although mortally wounded before he could deliver effective fire he remained steadfast at his post in the face of imminent death, thereby contributing materially to the protection his ship against further attack.

SHANK, Harold E.
G.M. 2c [Gunner's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a crewmember of the USCGC 83468 off the coast of France June 30, 1944. The mining of a landing craft was observed approximately one thousand yard distant. After three casualties had been taken from the stricken ship the commanding officer of the landing craft reported fire aboard and requested volunteers from the cutter to help extinguish the fire. Shank volunteered and his efficiency and meritorious effort contributed substantially to the extinguishing of the fire and the bringing of the landing craft to the beach.

SNYDER, Richard T.
B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCG
Silver Star

For gallantry in action in the amphibious attack on Riak Island, Schouton Group, Dutch New Guinea, on 27 May 1944. When members of the party landed and were subject to severe hand grenade fire from Japanese troops in two caves in the cliff near the beach he procured hand



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grenades, returned to the cliff area and eliminated enemy resistance, killing the four Japanese hidden in the caves. By his initiative and resourceful fighting qualities under fire he defeated enemy resistance and made possible the expeditious landing of vital material without casualty.

OKLAHOMA

FARRAR, Arthur
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star

For heroic service while in charge of ramps of the USS LCI (L) 85 during beaching operations in Normandy, France June 6, 1944. Although wounded by German shell while operating under accurate and punishing hustle artillery fire, he continued at his post, directing the disembarking of troops and giving assistance to the wounded without thought of air for himself.

FREEMAN, Frank W.
Mo.M.M. 2c [Motor Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCG
Bronze Star

For extreme devotion to duty and courageous activity which served to inspire others during the initial attack on France June 6, 1944 while serving aboard the USS SAMUEL CHASE Freeman was wounded and his boat driven off by severe fire. When the call for LCVPs to unload LCIs was issued he went immediately to his boat and despite mental and physical handicap of his wound, he again went into the beach not returning until the task was completed.

RAGAN, Oran D.
B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal (posthumously)

For heroism as coxswain of a tank lighter during the assault on French Morocco November 8 to 11 1942. When mountainous waves pounded the beach near Mehdia, keeping all boats at their moorings, Ragan at great risk of his life, dauntlessly put out from shore with the senior medical officers and 12 wounded comrades. With expert seamanship and grim determination he took the wounded to safety.

OREGON



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ARBUCKLE, Robt. W.

Sea. 2c [Seaman, Second Class], USCGR

Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism while attached to an LST May 21, 1944. Immediately after an explosion at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, he voluntarily assumed charge of a landing craft and with a crew of three shipmates maneuvered his boat amid burning debris and flaming oil, and rescued a number of persons who had been hurled by force of the explosion into the water.

GILL, Warren C.

LTJG, USCGR

Legion of Merit

For meritorious conduct in the pre assault training of office and men for small boat operations and as Commander of an assault force during the assault on Sicily. His effort and enthusiasm inspired in the small boat flotillas a spirit of determination that was largely responsible for their success.

Navy Cross

For extraordinary heroism as commander of an assault flotilla during the amphibious invasion of Salerno, Italy in September 1943. Although severely wounded by heavy enemy gunfire while directing the lowering of small boats from his ship LTJG Gill steadfastly remained at his post carrying on his vital duties with dauntless courage and outstanding efficiency and giving important last minute instructions to his officers and men before collapsing as a result of his injuries.

LIVINGSTON, John C.

Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR

Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism while serving as a crew member of a fireboat engaged in combating fires and explosion on a burning ship at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, May 21, 1944. When strainers and suction lines became fouled during firefighting operations, he voluntarily jumped over the side into burning oil and gasoline covered water and freed the strainers and lines thus keeping his ship in action when it was so vitally needed.

PRAUSE, Robt. H.

LT, USCG

Navy & Marine Corps Medal



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For meritorious service as executive officer of the USCGC ESCANABA when that vessel rescued survivors of a torpedoed U.S. transport February 3, 1943. As a result of forethought careful planning, organization and leadership of Lt. Prause, 133 survivors were rescued. This rescue was conducted over a period of eight hours in darkness, cold and heavy seas.

SCHOPPERT, Kenton P.
ENS, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as commanding officer of a Coast Guard Cutter in rescuing survivors of the invasion of France in June , 1944. On June 6, the Cutter rescued many survivors from a torpedoed destroyer, despite heavy seas and great difficulties encountered in getting many of the exhausted men aboard. On June 8, the ship went to the aid of the USS RICH, which had been mined in a concentrated mined area. With utter disregard of the danger, the Cutter proceeded at full speed reaching the sinking ship while any wounded were stall aboard. In addition to removing 24 survivors, the depth charge racks were set on "safe." Fifteen minutes later, the RICH sank.

VANDELEUR, John S., Jr.
S.M. 3c [Signalman, Third Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct during rescue operations when a U.S. warship stranded. Refusing the opportunity for safety in another boat during a hazardous rescue mission, Vandeleur steadfastly remained aboard his own rapidly sinking boat to assist a helpless survivor. At great risk of his life, he supported the man until the latter was subsequently rescued saving the life of a shipmate who other wise might have perished.

PENNSYLVANIA

BETZ, George C.
Mo.M.M. 2c [Motor Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a crew member of a Coast Guard Cutter in rescuing survivors off the French coast on August 7 , 1944. the cutter proceeded to the scene of a sinking hospital ship. during the operation, Betz went over the side with a pneumatic life raft and began gathering the seriously wounded on to the raft. He remained in the water an hour and a half, saving many lives.



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BURKHARD, Arthur H.
Coxswain, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a crew member of a Coast Guard Cutter during rescue operations on the French coast, June 1944. Burkhard when PC 1261 was hit by enemy shellfire and many of her crew thrown into the water, volunteered to go over the side and try to rescue survivors in the water. Through his gallant action the loss of life was kept at a minimum.

CONTI, Edward P.
Coxswain, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious performance of duty during amphibious operations on the coast of France June 6, 1944. Conti, after debarking troops and retracting from the beach transferred his crew to assist other boats in difficulty and stood by under enemy shell fire to render two soldiers who were struggling in the water and took off the entire group detachment from a sinking LCA.

DEYAKPERT, Warren T.
Std. 2c [Steward, Second Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal (posthumously)

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USCGC ESCANABA during the rescue of survivors from a torpedoed ship in North Atlantic waters. Despite the menace of possible enemy submarine action, Deyampert risked his life to aid in the rescue of unconscious and helpless survivors. He swam in icy waters and prevented many floating survivors from being caught in the suction of the ESCANABA's propeller.

FROST, Edwin R.
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as commanding officer of a Coast Guard Cutter during the initial assault on the French coast June 6, 1944. During the day, three casualties were removed by his cutter from a slam landing craft which had been hit by enemy shell fire. Later in the day, five survivors of an LCI were taken from the water. Each of the rescues was carried out in the face of enemy fire.

GARDNER, John N.
A.S. [Apprentice Seaman], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal



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For heroic conduct in effecting the rescue of survivors from the torpedoed SS DORCHESTER February 3, 1943. When the benumbed survivors were unable to make any efforts to climb on board the rescue ship, Gardner volunteered for the dangerous task of going over the side and working in the rough, freezing water to assist the exhausted survivors in reaching safety. He and his fellow volunteers rescued a total of 93 survivors from certain death.

GOUKER, Roy E.
LTJG, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USS RICKETS during rescue operations following a collision between two ships in the Atlantic the night of February 25, 1944. When crews of both vessels were forced by raging -gasoline fires to abandon ship, he voluntarily went out the side and aided exhausted survivors to reach the rescuer vessel.

GOULD, James R.
A.S. [Apprentice Seaman], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct in effecting the rescue of survivors from the torpedoed SS DORCHESTER February 3, 1943. When benumbed survivors were unable to make efforts to climb aboard the rescue ship, Gould volunteered from the dangerous task of going over the side to assist exhausted and helpless survivors and fellow volunteers rescued 93 survivors from certain death in the steadily mounting seas.

GRAY, William T.
LTJG, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard a Coast Guard Cutter during rescue of survivors from the USS PLYMOUTH, August 5, 1943. Observing several men floating helplessly downwind in the turbulent seas, he launched a small pulling boat and picked up many survivors from shark-infested waters. His determination aided materially in the rescue of many men who other wise might have perished.

KASHINKAS, Jerome F.
Mo.M.M. 1c [Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a crew member of a Coast Guard Cutter during the rescue operation off the coast of France, June 1944. Kashinkas when PC 1261 was hit by enemy shell fire and many of her



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crew thrown into the water volunteered to go over the side and try to rescue survivors. Though his gallant action the loss of life was kept at a minimum.

KOROWICKI, Stanley J.
Sea. 1c [Seaman], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

Or heroic conduct while serving aboard a Coast Guard Cutter during rescue operations following a collision between two ships in the Atlantic on the night of February 25, 1944. When crew of both vessels were forced by raging gasoline fires to abandon ship, Kupac voluntarily went over the side and aided exhausted survivors to reach the rescue vessel.

KUPAC, Wendel J.
S.S.M. 3c [sic, ?] 3c, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USS RICKETTS during rescue operations following a collision between two ships in the Atlantic on the night of February 25, 1944. When crew of both vessels were forced by raging gasoline fires to abandon ship, Kupac voluntarily went over the side and aided exhausted survivors to reach the rescue vessel.

McGRATH, Chase J. J.
S.M. 2c [Signalman, Second Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USCGC CALYPSO during the rescue of survivors from the USS PLYMOUTH, August 5, 1943. Volunteering to man a small boat, McGrath with several comrades went to the rescue of survivors floating helplessly downwind in the turbulent seas and saved many from shark-infested waters.

MOSCHETTI, George S.
Mo.M.M. 1c [Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a crew member of a Coast Guard Cutter off the French Coast on June 30, 1944. Following the mining of an LCT, three casualties were taken from the stricken ship and fire broke out aboard the craft. Moschetti volunteered to board the blazing ship and his efforts contributed substantially to the extinguishing of the fire and beaching of the craft.

PATTERSON, John E.
Coxswain USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal



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For heroism on January 26, 1944, while attached to an LST during the invasion at Anzio, Italy. During a full gale Patterson volunteered as a member of a boat crew to go the side of a burning LST in an effort to rescue personnel trapped below decks. Despite the fact the blazing ship was pitching and rolling in dangerous manner and ammunition was exploding he aided in the rescue of a soldier, trapped in a lower compartment and brought him to safety.

RODGERS, Charles D.
Sp. 1c [Specialist, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while attached to the USCG Barracks, New York as a roving patrol checking piers of the Central Railroad when a fire broke out September 21, 1943. Discovering a mass of flames under a string of tank cars he turned in the alarm and then attempted to extinguished the blaze with sand and dirt. When these efforts failed, he worked his way to the side of the car and despite the suffocating fumes and intense heat, crawled underneath to shut off the flow of liquid acid from the tank. He continued his efforts until arrival of the fire department.

RUA, Louis
F. 1c [Fireman, First Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement at sea December 5-6 1944, while serving aboard a U.S. Army large tug en route to the Philippines. His craft went to the rescue of another ship which had been torpedoed by enemy action and saved 277 survivors from the abandoned ship.

STARETT, William
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as commanding officer of a USCGC during the initial assault on the French coast June 6, 1944. During the day eight survivors of a sinking landing craft and four members of the crew of the DD tank were rescued. Between these rescues, the cutter towed several crippled landing boats to LSTs.

STRAUCH, Wm. D. Jr.
LT, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious performance as commanding officer of an LST while under intense and prolonged enemy shellfire June 15, 1944, off the French coast. Lt. Strauch calmly and efficiently directed the off loading of his ship with such skill that Army personnel and vital implements of war were delivered to the shore of France with a minimum of casualties. Due to his direction, his



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ship returned from the searing experience of sever hours under bombardment while high and dry upon a beach nakedly exposed to enemy artillery fire with incredible slight casualties and damage in view of the his sustained.

THARP, Edward R.
LTJG, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious performance as Assistant Boat group Commander aboard the USS SAMUEL CHASE during the assault on France June 6, 1944. He was of great assistance in planning the assault boat schedule which was then in operation. Despite enemy gunfire, he closed the beach many times in order to provide the Group Commander with valuable data for carrying out the assault.

TRUMP, William F.
Mo.M. M. 1c [Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Silver Star

For gallantry and intrepidity in action in the assault phase of an LCI (L) which landed troops in the face of severe enemy fire and despite a profusion of beach obstacles on the coast of France June 1944. Having volunteered for assignment he waded between the heavily mined beach obstacles and dragged an anchor and anchor-line to shallow water, thereby providing a safety line for troops to follow.

VERNON, Albert
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as commanding officer of a CGC in rescuing survivors of the invasion of France June 6, 1944. During the day the cutter rescued 97 men. Each rescue was effected in the face of constant enemy fire from the beach which was in no way allowed to deter the splendid rescue operations.

RHODE ISLAND

HUTCHINSON, Geo. F.
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star



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For gallantry in action against the enemy as Commanding Officer of the USS LCI (L) 83 while landing assault troops in Normandy, France, June 6, 1944. LTJG Hutchinson directed his ship to the beach through heavily mine obstacle while under heavy enemy fire that caused numerous Army casualties, successfully unloaded troops after the ship was mined and remained with the ship effecting repairs that enabled it to come off the beach on the next tide.

O'BRIEN, Austin
Ph.M. 2c [Pharmacist's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious performance as leading pharmacist's mate aboard the USS LCI (L) 94 during the assault on France June 6, 1944. As O'Brien proceeded from protective cover to administer medical attention to the injured, he was wounded about the shoulder and leg by shrapnel ad his first aid kit was demolished. Without stopping to attend his own injuries he quickly obtained other medical supplies and carried on with the task. In spite of the continued enemy fire he skillfully cared for the wounded ad carried them to the sheltered area.

SOUTH CAROLINA

CARTER, Sydney G.
LTJG, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct as Officer in Charge of a fire fighting crew aboard the SS GULFBELLE October 21, 1943, after it collision with the SS GULFLAND off Palm Beach, FL. Fully realizing the extreme peril from unexploded ammunition and high octane gasoline stored in the blazing ship he courageously boarded the tanker with his men and skillfully directed firefighting operations. Using every method possible to protect his gallant crew, he fought desperately to check the flames and despite the hazard of falling debris, succeeded in extinguishing the fire.

DAMEWOOD, Vernon W.
B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism in rescuing an officer from drowning in Eniwetok Lagoon February 22, 1944. The officer whose field pack became entangled in the debarkation ladder sustained painful injure and fell into the water with full equipment. Damewood dove overboard inflated the victim's life belt, cut away his equipment and hailed a passing boat. His quick action saved the officers life.



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HENLEY, Coit T.
LTJG, USCGR
Silver Star

For heroism as Commanding Officer of the USS LCI(L) 85 while landing assault troops in Normandy, France, June 6, 1944. Lt Hendley successfully landed his troops despite the mining of his vessel, fire in three compartment and concentration of enemy fire while unloading. His courage and seamanship in directing repairs and retracting from the beach resulted in saving the lives many wounded aboard.

RUFF, James O.
R.M. 3c [Radioman, Third Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USCGC ATAK in effecting the rescue of personnel from the wrecked trawler Terra Norva September 13, 1943. When 20 members of the trawler's crew were left on board the sinking vessel, Ruff volunteered for duty as part of a lifeboat crew assigned to the rescue operations and despite heavy seas and high winds, steadfastly remained at his oar for four hours until all survivors had been transferred to his ship.

SMITH, Wm. Epp
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard a destroyer escort during the rescue of survivors of the torpedoed USS LEOPOLD in the North Atlantic on the night of March 9, 1944. Courageously volunteering to aid in rescue activities, Smith went over the side into icy, oil-covered waters and working with utter disregard for personal safety secured life lines around the exhausted survivors until he himself was completely exhausted and unable to continue his battle against the rough seas.

SOUTH DAKOTA

PUTSKE, Stanley G.
R.M. 2c [Radioman, Second Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism May 3, 1944 while serving aboard the USS MENGES off the Algerian coast. When the MENGES was torpedoed in action with an enemy submarine. Putske was wounded at the battle station. Since all deck petty officers were killed by the explosion, he assisted in lowering



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the ship's boat into the water and voluntarily took the boat away to save two men who had been blown off the ship. His action saved the lives of the men.

TEXAS

ALLISON, Samuel W.
LT, USCGR
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry in action as Commanding Officer of LCI(L) 326 during amphibious landings on the French coast June 6, 1944. Displaying superb seamanship and dauntless courage Lt Allison successfully landed units of the Army, then stood off the beach for salvage duty. Realizing that the services of a control boat were urgently needed he volunteered for this assignment and in the face of concentrated shell fire and constant threat of exploding mines effectively directed boat traffic throughout the remainder of the initial assault.

BRADSHAW, Odell I.
Mo.M. M. [Motor Machinist's Mate, Third Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while effecting the rescue of a seaman from drowning in the Altamaha River, Georgia, May 28, 1943. Hearing cries of distress, Bradshaw plunged in and swam to the man's side. Fighting the swift and treacherous current he reached the exhausted seaman who had gone down once and carried him safely back to shore.

IVY, Charles B.
Mo.M.M., 1c [Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG
Silver Star

For heroism as a crew member of a Coast Guard Cutter during the rescue operations off the French coast in June 1944. Ivy, when a PC was hit by enemy shellfire and many of her crew thrown into the water, volunteered to go over the side and try to rescue some of the survivors. Through his gallant action the loss of life was kept at a minimum.

LIGHT, David F.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action during the amphibious invasion of Sicily on July 10, 1943 and of Italy on September 9, 1943.



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LILLY, C. B.

B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry in action while attached to the USS JOSEPH T. DICKMAN during the amphibious assault at Salerno, Italy, September 9, 1943. after landing vehicles upon the designed assault beach in the face of intense enemy gunfire, Lilly observed five soldiers struggling in the water and went to their rescue. Discovering three of the men were seriously wounded he worked desperately under exceedingly difficult conditions and succeeded in bringing them safe ashore.

McCORMICK, Nelson C.
LCDR, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as Commanding Officer of a Coast Guard Cutter during action against an enemy German submarine off the Florida coast June 11 to 13, 1942. Proceeding to the area where a hostile submarine had been located, he began a determined search in cooperation with Coast Guard patrol planes. The cutter tracked her target doggedly and forced the sub to remain submerged for long intervals until the appearance of continuing oil slicks debris and clothing gave evidence of the probable destruction of the hostile vessel.

MILLER, Billy L.
F. 1c [Fireman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism in rendering assistance to wounded personnel during landing operations at Parry Island, Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Islands. While a vessel was burning as a result of a direct hit and in danger of further explosions, he went aboard the vessel and rendered assistance to wounded and other at a time when the ship's personnel were unable to do so. His action undoubtedly resulted in the prevention of loss of life of many of those injured.

MILLER, Jack Neil
B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry in action while serving as coxswain of a landing craft during the assault on Salerno, Italy September 9, 1943. Courageously maneuvering his boat in the face of intense enemy gunfire, Miller skillfully effected a successful landing and although painfully effected successful landing and although painfully wounded when hostile machine gun fire shattered the steering wheel in his hands, continued to carry out his important duties thought the unloading operations then returned to his ship.



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SANDERS, Carver G.

B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal (Posthumously)

For heroism while serving aboard the USS MENGES April 20, 1944, in the Mediterranean Sea. When a destroyer escort was sunk by enemy bombing planes the MENGES went to the rescue. Sanders, while the ship was picking up survivors voluntarily and at great personal risk went over the side into the oil covered water in order to more effectively aid the wounded and shocked survivors, who would otherwise have been unable to save themselves. Later when the MENGES was torpedoed in action with the enemy submarine he was killed by the explosion while manning his battle station.

SWIERC, Michael J.

Mo.M. M. 2c [Motor Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism as a member of the crew of a Coast Guard Cutter during rescue operation off the French coast June 1944. Swierc, when a PC was hit by enemy shellfire and many of his crew thrown into the water volunteered to go over the side and try to rescue some of the survivors. Through his gallantry loss of life was kept at a minimum.

YOUNG, J. E.

Q.M. 2c [Quartermaster, Second Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard a destroyer escort during the rescue of survivors of the torpedoed USS LEOPOLD in the North Atlantic on the night of March 9, 1944. Courageously volunteering to assist in rescue activities, Young went over the side into ice, oil covered water and working with utter disregard to personal safety secured life line around the exhausted survivors until he himself was completely exhausted and unable to continue his battle against the rough seas.

VIRGINIA

ARNOLD, Arthur A.

B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry in action as coxswain of a landing boat in the assault on Sicily, July 10, 1943. With the landing operations halted by an intense volley from heavy enemy machine



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guns which killed many of the embarked troops upon beaching Arnold courageously countered the fierce hostile attack. Realizing that return fire from his boat was ineffective he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the weathering barrage and aiming with cool deliberation hurled tow grenades into the enemy emplacement and succeeded in silencing the entire battery, thereby enabling our units to continue their advance into enemy occupied territory.

BANNER, Roger H.
LT, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as Officer in Charge of a support boat from the USS SAMUEL CHASE during the invasion of Italy September 9, 1943. Courageous and skillfull in executing a hazardous task he successfully escorted 59 amphibious trucks to the beaches under cover of night and directed unloading of artillery and equipment. Navigating by stars he continued to traverse the distance of 12 miles between off-shore anchorage and the beaches, continuously exposed to the danger of minefields and shell and mortar fire.

COLE, Vernon
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious performance of duty while attached to the USS LCI (L) 94 during the assault on France June 1944. When the craft beached Cole volunteered to take ashore the man rope and test the depth of the water in order that troop could disembark with greater speed. He waded through heavy surf and secured the man rope while under heavy enemy machine gun fire. He then gave his life-jacket to a soldier who have been partially overcome by the heavy surf and assisted several others who were having difficulty in reaching the beach Cole swam 40 minutes among mined obstacles to his ship and then assisted materially in giving first aid to wounded shipmates.

CONE, Burtis P.
LT, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal (Posthumously)

For heroic conduct as executive officer of the USS LEOPOLD when that vessel was sunk by submarine in the Atlantic March 9, 1944. Unmindful of his own danger and refusing to save himself while members of his crew were still in danger, LT Cone worked desperately to assist his companions and remained in the water with them when an enemy vessel forced the rescue ship to retire from the scene.

COWART, Kenneth K.
CDR, USCG
Silver Star



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For conspicuous gallantry as Engineer Officer on the USCGC CAMPBELL during and following the sinking of an enemy submarine February 22, 1943. When his ship surprised the host vessel on the surfaces and collided with it during an attempt to ram, Commander Cowart, by his expert direction of engine operation, contributed materially to the sinking of the submarine by gunfire and the capture of several members of her crew. When the cutter began to take water as a result of a large rupture in her side plating he bravely stood by his station in the flooding engine room and supervised damage control.

CURRY, Ralph R.
CDR, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as Commanding Officer of the USS PRIDE during an attack on an enemy submarine of the Algerian coast in May, 1944. When a sound contact was established indicating an enemy submarine in the area, Commander Curry maneuvered his ship so skill fully that his actions greatly assisted in the search and the delivery of successful depth charge attack, which forced the submarine to the surface. The enemy was forced to scuttle and abandon ship.

FARLEY, Joseph F.
RADM, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as District Coast Guard Officer of the Eighth Naval District from June 1942, to December 1943. Assuming the highly important duty of safe guarding the many ports in this district during a particularly dangerous period of the war, RADM Farley worked with untiring zeal and brilliant initiative to direct the training and equipping of port security organizations for the protection of all essential waterfront facilities and vessel RADM Farley's inspiring leadership, outstanding ability and unceasing vigilance contributed immeasurably to the successful prosecution of the war by insuring the safe and uninterrupted flow of vast quantities of oil and thousands of tons of other shipping to the battle fronts of the world.

FARRAR, Mirl J., Jr.
Coxswain, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USCGC ALGONQUIN during the rescue of survivors of the wrecked SS SVEND FOYNE in the North Atlantic near Greenland March 21, 1943. Although rough seas rolled his ship from 20 to 30 degrees and wind and freezing water seriously hampered rescue operations, Farrar with three comrades unhesitatingly went over the side and effected a perilous descent to the men who, weak and number from long exposure,



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clung helplessly to the cargo net after their lifeboat had tipped and thrown them into the sea Farrar and his companions succeeded in carrying two of the exhausted seamen up the net to safety.

GRAVES, Garrett V. A.
CDR, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as Commanding Officer of the Ice Information Detachment and later as Chief of Staff, Commander Greenland Patrol from February 1942, to late October 1943. Through his broad and extensive knowledge of ice conditions and movements, Commander Graves efficiently established and organized the Ice Information Detachment, at all times keeping United nations ships in the area accurately informed of vital hydrographic conditions. By his efforts and outstanding devotion to duty he achieved a better understanding between Canadian and American armed forces and contributed to the maintenance of a more thorough defense of this vital area.

HALL, Rae B.
CAPT, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as captain of the Port of Norfolk, VA from March 10 1942 to November 1 1943. Assuming the highly important duty of safeguarding the large and vital port during a particularly dangerous period of the war, Captain Hall worked with untiring zeal and brilliant initiative directing the training and equipping of a port security organization formed to protect all essential waterfront facilities and vessels. His superb leadership contributed in large measure to the successful prosecution of the war by assuring the safe and uninterrupted flow of enormous quantities of materials and manpower to the battlefronts.

HARRISON, Benjamin F.
Machinist, USCG
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry as Assistant to the Engineer Officer and the Damage Control Officer of the USCGC CAMPBELL during and following the sinking of an enemy submarine by that vessel February 22, 1943. When the engine room flooded and main engines failed as result of the attack upon the hostile ship Harrison rendered invaluable assistance to the officers in the their efforts to cover a hole in the ship's side. His tireless devotion to duty contributed greatly to the salvaging of the damaged vessel.



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HEWINS, John S.
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement in the performance of his duties as Sound Officer aboard a U.S. warship. His skillful evaluation of vital information and ability to maintain efficient team work among his crew contributed directly to the success of his ship in sinking a Japanese naval vessel.

HOUSTON, Lewis C.
LT, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as commanding officer of a Coast Guard Cutter during action against an enemy submarine off Cape Antonio, Cuba in 1942. Attacking with depth charges on the first run he repeated his aggressive tactics throughout the day until a continuing oil slick gave evidence of the probable destruction of the enemy vessel.

KELLAM, John H.
ENS, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as Commanding Officer of a Coast Guard in rescuing survivors of the invasion of France June 6, 1944. An allied plane was observed to crash deep inside enemy held waters off the shore of Le Havre. His cutter proceeded to the scene and succeeded in picking up one flyer who was the only survivor located. The personnel of the ship were fully appreciative of the fact they were in an area where E-boat activities, well within ranged of shore batteries and entirely without escort or protection.

MANN, Frederick D.
B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCG
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry while attached to the USS GEORGE F. ELLIOTT in action against Japanese forces off Guadalcanal August 8, 1942. When a hostile plane was shot down and exploded on board the ship, transforming the ship into a blazing torch, Mann carried a fire hose into the troop ammunition magazine to flood the compartment. Subsequently, despite suffocating smoke and dangerously heated bulkheads he reentered the compartment recovered the hose and continued his efforts. His action prevented the magazine from exploding.

RIGG, Henry K.
LT, USCGR
Bronze Star



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For meritorious performance of duty as Commanding Officer of USS LCI (L) 88 during the assault on Normandy June 6, 1944. Lt. Riggs expertly maneuvered his ship and effected a beaching during heavy artillery and mortar fire and at a time when the hazards were such that other ships were ordered to delay their beaching. He landed without casualty a unit of the Engineering Shore Battalion, which materially contributed to the initial success of the assault.

TARR, Daniel J.
Surfman, USCG
Silver Star

For gallantry in action as a boat coxswain August 7, 1942, during the landing of Tulagi Island in the first assault wave. He made repeated trips in spite of heavy enemy fire to effect landing of equipment troops ammunition and supplies; and on September 8, he made a landing against a Japanese force at Taivu Point, Guadalcanal, thereby materially contributing to the successful operations in which the enemy were defeated.

WASHINGTON

BEEZER, Earl F., Jr.
B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious performance of duty during landing operations at France June 6, 1944. Beezer, in charge of a tank lighter observed a casualty sustained by a nearby landing craft and rescued seven crew members from the water. On proceeding to the beach and landing Army troops the tank lighter came under enemy fire, wounding some of the survivors and a lighter crewman. He retracted the craft and proceeded to intercept a nearby destroyer, placing the wounded personnel on board for medical attention.

CAMPBELL, Leonard W.
C.B.M. [Chief Boatswain's Mate] USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving aboard the USCGC MODOC during rescue of survivors from the SVEND FOYNE in Atlantic March 21, 1943. Observing three survivors who had jumped from a life raft alongside his vessel and were helplessly trying to fasten their life lines, Campbell descended the port rescue net and for 10 minutes struggled unaided to secure a line to one of the floundering men. His courageous action made at great risk to his own life was instrumental in the saving of two survivors who would otherwise have been lost.



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HOWARD, Sam Francis

B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCGR

Bronze Star

For heroic services while delivering a boat load of supplies to New Zealand troops in action against eely Japanese forces near Marquana Bay, Vella Lavella, Solomon Islands, September 28, 1943. Although seriously injured by a withering barrage of hostile machine gun fire while laying off the beach to await proper signal, Howard skillfully maneuvered his craft through dangerous coral-studded waters and despite pain from his wounds succeeded in bringing his boat out of range of enemy fire to safety in the open sea. His gallant conduct and expert seamanship in the face of grave peril undoubtedly prevented further casualties among the crew.

LOGAR, Henry J.

Q.M. 2c [Quartermaster, Second Class], USCG

Navy & Marine Corps Medal

Or heroic conduct while serving aboard the USCGC ALGONQUIN during rescue of survivors of the SS SVEND FOYNE in the North Atlantic near Greenland March 21, 1943. Although exceptionally rough seas rolled his ship 20 to 30 degrees and wind and freezing water seriously hampered rescue operations, Logar with three comrades unhesitatingly went over the side and effected a perilous descent to the men who weak and numb from long exposure clung helplessly to the cargo net after their life boat had tipped and thrown them into the sea. By his brave defiance of imminent personal danger, he assisted in saving two men who otherwise might have been lost.

KIRSTINE, Lance J.

LCDR, USCG

Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as Commander of Landing Craft assigned to the Western Naval Task Force prior to the during the amphibious invasions of Southern France in August 1944. Commander Kirstine exhibited outstanding ability and leadership in organizing, training and maintaining the material readiness of U.S. LCTs allocated to the Task Force. He skillfully controlled the operations of these craft and directed their safe passage in convoy to the assault beaches where he successfully deployed them to the proper unloading points. In post assault operations, his efficient control of offshore unloading activities contributed materially to the effective support rendered to the rapidly advancing Allied Armies into enemy help territory.

French Croix de Guerre

During the landing of French Troops on an enemy held island in June 1944, LCDR Kirstine led the LSTs to the designated beaches and successfully carried out the landings in spite of violent



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enemy gunfire, giving proof of his courage and fearlessness. This citation entitled him to the Croix de Guerre with silver star.

MACKLIN, Edward E.
F. 1c [Fireman, First Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement at sea December 5-6 1944, while serving aboard a U.S. Army large tug en route to the Philip pines. His craft went to the rescue of another ship which had been torpedoed by enemy action saved 277 survivors from the abandoned ship.

MASSMAN, John D.
Coxswain, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while attached to the Coast Guard Patrol Base, Seattle, in assisting the City Fire Department in rescuing four men during a serious fire in the Frye and Company plant February 18, 1943. Massman as a member of a fire rescue party entered the ruins and started searching for bodies. When five city firemen were overcome by refrigerant gas, Massman at great risk of his life dauntlessly followed their hose into the gas-filled room where they lay and carried out four of the unconscious men. On the fifth trip Massman himself was overcome but was rescued.

MULIERI, B.C.F.
LCDR, USCG
Commendatore of the Order of the Crown of Italy

Presentation was made through the Ministry of Agriculture and medal accompanied by a royal decree signed by Crown Prince Umberto Di Savoia, Lieutenant General of Italy with verbal citation by his Excellency Gino Bergami, to the effect that honor was being conferred in recognition of LCDR Mulieri's work in rehabilitating the fishing industry of Italy.

MUNRO, Douglas A.
S.M. 1c [Signalman, First Class], USCG
Congressional Medal of Honor (posthumously)
[Presidential Unit Citation; Purple Heart]

For extraordinary heroism and conspicuous gallantry in action above and beyond the call of duty as Officer-In-Charge of a group of Higgins boats, engaged in the evacuation of a battalion of Marines trapped by enemy Japanese forces at Point Cruz, Guadalcanal, September 27, 1942. After making preliminary plans for the evacuation of nearly 500 beleaguered Marines, Munro, under constant risk of his life, daringly led five of his small craft toward the shore. As he closed



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the beach, he signaled the others to land, and then in order to draw the enemy's fire and protect the heavily loaded boats, he valiantly placed his craft with its two small guns as a shield between the beachhead and the Japanese. When the perilous task of evacuation was nearly completed, Munro was killed by enemy fire, but his crew, two of whom were wounded, carried on until the last boat had loaded and cleared the beach.

MUNTER, William H.
CAPT, USCG (Ret.)
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as District Coast Guard Officer of the Thirteenth Naval District, Seattle from April 1942, to April 1944. Establishing and maintain superbly trained and equipped port security organizations, Captain Munter has aided vitally in the successful prosecution of war. By his expert administrative ability and devotion to duty, he has contributed materially to the safe passage of thousands of tons of shipping and to the uninterrupted flow of our nation's resources to the battle fronts of the world.

MUZZY, James S.
LCDR, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct while Commanding Officer of a U.S. destroyer escort April 1, 1944, in the Mediterranean Sea. When a fire broke out in the forward hold of the SS JARED INGERSOLD after that ship had apparently been struck by a torpedo, he laid his ship alongside three times to combat the stubborn fire. This action was taken after the INGERSOLL had twice been abandoned by her crew and in spite of the fact that in the compartment adjacent to the fire was a magazine containing ammunition. After bringing the fire under control. LCDR Muzzy assisted in towing the ship to Algiers. By his action, contributed to the saving of many lives and succeeded in salvaging a valuable unit, including cargo and equipment.

PAINE, James W.
LCDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For heroic achievement as Gunnery Officer of the USS SAMUEL CHASE during the amphibious landings at North Africa November 8 to 11 1942. By his marked ability and untiring efforts in developing his inexperienced gun crews into a well functioning unit, he maintained an effective defense of his ship against repeated raids by German aircraft, skillfully controlling the fire of the CHASE with the result that one enemy plane was shot down and two others probably destroyed.



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WEST VIRGINIA

ALLEN, Nelson W.
LCDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious service in operations against the enemy as operator of sound equipment of a US destroyer escort April 16, 1944. The destroyer escort proceeded to the area of the attack, where, despite the evasive action taken by the submarine, Nelson detected the U-boat in the vicinity of an attacked ship. After locating the submarine Allen furnished the anti-submarine attack team with continuous and accurate information on the enemy. Basing his attack on this information, the Commanding Officer made a single accurate depth charge attack which severely damaged and forced the submarine to the surface where it was destroyed by ramming and the combined gunfire of ships in the area.

WISCONSIN

GISLASON, Gene R.
LT, USCGR
Silver Star

For outstanding heroism as Commanding Officer of the USS LCI (L) 94, while landing assault troops in Normandy June 6, 1944. He successfully directed his ship through numerous beach obstacles to the proper beach, discharged his troops and retracted while his ship was seriously damaged from heavy enemy fire. Ship's communications, engine telegraph and electric steering were disabled by direct hits on the pilothouse which killed three crewman and one screw and shaft were rendered inoperative by beach obstacles. By his coolness under fire and excellent seamanship, Lt Gislason overcame these difficulties and brought his ship off the beach on hand steering and one screw. He later supervised repairs and in four hours enable the LCI (L) to remain operative in the assault area for three weeks.

MUELLER, William H.
B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic performance of duty as petty officer in charge a salvage and repair party from the USCGC SORREL which boarded a burning gasoline-loaded tanker February 1944. Mueller also acted as coxswain of the motor while boat transported personnel from the cutter to the tanker. In spite of winds of near gale force and mountainous seas he successfully transferred all members of the party without casualty to the boat or personnel. On boarding the tanker, Mueller in the face



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of great danger, opened and flooded compartment in which the fire was localized. The presence of large quantities of high octane gasoline in the ship's tanks and the gasoline vapor which saturated the atmosphere around the tanker rendered the operation both highly dangerous and difficult.

WIEGAND, Charles E.
B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For extremely heroic conduct while serving aboard the USCGC ALGONQUIN during the rescue of survivors of the wrecked SS SVEND FOYNE in the North Atlantic near Greenland March 21, 1943. Although exceptionally rough seas rolled his ship 20-30 degrees and wind and freezing water seriously hamper rescue operations, Wiegand, with three comrades went over the side and effected a perilous descent to the men who weak and numb from long exposure, clung helplessly to the cargo net after their life boat had tipped and thrown them into the sea. Through sheer physical strength, Wiegand and his companions succeeded in carrying two of the exhausted seamen up the net.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

DONOHUE, Robert
RADM, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as Chief Personnel Officer of the Coast Guard From April 1942 to November 22, 1944. Exercising brilliant initiative and untiring effort, RADM Donohue organized and put into effect a rigid program from the classification, grouping, training and processing of coast Guard personnel who manned the escort vessels, transports and small landing craft used in amphibious operations in close cooperation with the Navy, and who successfully carried out vital duties in connection with Port Security, aids to Navigation, and Women Reserve and the Temporary Auxiliary. By his sound judgment, unflinching tact and superb leadership he contributed materially to the splendid achievements of the Coast Guard in assuring the safe and uninterrupted flow of enormous quantities of our nation's manpower, equipment and supplies to the battlefield of the world.

EATON, Philip B.
RADM, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal



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For heroic conduct on the occasion of the wreck of three trains on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad near Dickerson, Maryland, September 24, 1942. Realizing that several passengers were imprisoned under the wreckage and in imminent danger of burning to death from nearby fires, RADM (then Captain) Eaton unhesitatingly went to their rescue. Risking his life by crawling on hands and knees beneath a mass of heavy pipes, he succeeded in placing an injured man on his back and carrying him to safety then returning with a comrade repeated this courageous action until all who were not inextricably pinned in the wreckage were brought out.

HUNT, James S.
CDR, USCGR
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry in action while serving as Boat Group Commander of the Assault Craft attached to the USS SAMUEL CHASE during the amphibious invasion of Italy September 9, 1943. Successfully leading his assault boat crews to the assigned beaches in the Gulf of Salerno, Commander (then LCDR) Hunt expedited the landing of embarked troops and equipment in the face of tremendous enemy opposition. Making an extended reconnaissance in an assault boat beyond the established beaches and under heavy enemy artillery fire on September 10, he obtained valuable information which assisted greatly in the effective employment of assaulting forces against strongly defended enemy positions.

LEVY, Harold
C.Ph.M. [Chief Pharmacist's Mate], USCGR
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services. When a US destroyer while escorting a valuable convoy in the Mediterranean was attacked by enemy aircraft and subsequently sunk, Levy, with great professional skill administered first aid and emergency medical attention to many of the survivors that had been rescued by the USS MENGES, his efforts probably saving the lives of many injured personnel. Later, when the MENGES was attacked and badly damaged by an enemy torpedo, Levy the only pharmacist's mate attached to the ship rendered first aid and medical treatment to 25 severely injured wounded members of the crew, thereby contributing to the saving of the lives of many men.

ROLLING, Glen L.
LCDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as Commanding Officer, USS RICKETTS during rescue operations of survivors of two ships which collided in the Atlantic February 25, 1944. In spite of a moderate gale, rough seas, and overcast sky, intermittent showers, fiercely burning gasoline on the surface of the water surrounding the disabled ship and the danger of imminent explosion of the burning



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tanker, LCDR Rollins held to his task and searched the adjacent area throughout the night. As a result, 33 exhausted and in several instances helpless survivors were rescued.

ALASKA

BURNS, Ralph
LT, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct as Commanding Officer of the USS McLANE during action against a hostile submarine in North Pacific water July 9, 1942. After a prolonged and determined search, Lt Burns made sound contact with the submarine and quickly maneuvering into attack position dropped depth charges. Although an air-driven torpedo passed directly under the bow of the McLANE during the engagement Lt Burns relentlessly pursued his target until spreading oil slicks and continuous air bubbles gave evidence of the probable destruction of the enemy vessel.

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This list contains Medals and Decorations awarded U. S. Coast Guardsmen since publication of BOOK OF VALOR in May 1945.

ALABAMA

ROZIER, Walter L.
A.P.1c [Aviation Pilot, First Class], USCG
Air Medal

For meritorious performance of duty while participating in aerial flight as first pilot of patrol plane from 15 November 1944 - 15 April 1945. Exhibiting outstanding skill he engaged in repeated extended flights in aerial scouting against enemy submarines and in covering convoys in Arctic regions of the North Atlantic under extremely hazardous climatic and operational conditions.



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ARKANSAS

ALLEN, Carl H.
LT, USCG
Air Medal

Served as commander of a patrol plane. Same Air medal citation as above.

HICKMAN, William L.
A.R.M. 1c [Aviation Radioman, First Class], USCG
Air Medal

Served as a member of a combat air crew on a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

TAYLOR, Clifford
A.O.M.2c [Aviation Ordnanceman Second Class], USCGR
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

WEBB, Harold W.
A.O.M.2c [Aviation Ordnanceman Second Class], USCGR
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

CALIFORNIA

McNEIL, Donald C.
CAPT, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as commanding officer of a U.S. Ship January 8, 1945 during the assault on Luzon, Philippine Islands. After his ship had been seriously damaged by an enemy aircraft he successfully directed efforts of the fire fighters and enable his ship to participate in the assault landings. With professional skill and courage he contributed materially to the control of damage to his ship.



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RICHARD, Alfred C.
CAPT, USCG
Bronze Star

For exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service. As senior Coast Guard officer on the staff of Commander U.S. Naval Force in Europe, Captain Richmond, with outstanding zeal, assisted in the organization of Coast Guard forces under this command and in the preparation of those forces for the most important tasks which they performed during and after the invasion of France in June 1944. Moreover, his consistent good judgment and tact in the administration of matters of discipline affecting merchant seamen in this theater contributed substantially toward the solution of a serious problem affecting the movement of supplies to France in support of the Armies.

GALYEAN, Willard E.
A.M.M. 2c [Aviation Machinist's Mate], USCG
Air Medal

For meritorious performance of duty while participating in serial flights as a member of combat air crew of patrol plane from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Exhibiting outstanding skill he engaged in repeated extended flights in aerial scouting against enemy submarine and in covering convoys in the Arctic regions of the North Atlantic under extremely hazardous climatic and operational conditions.

KELLOGG, Glenn I.
ENS, USCG
Air Medal

Served as first pilot of patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

PROFITT, George L.
A.M.M. 2c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, Second Class] 2c, USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

WILSON, Owen T.
A.M.A.1c [?], USCGR
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.



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CONNECTICUT

EDDY, Sedgwick R.
ENS, USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

FLORIDA

BURTON, Joe T.
A.M. M. 1c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

COBB, Chas. A.
A.R.M.1c [Aviation Radioman, First Class], USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

GREGORY, Robt. L.
C.A.P. [Chief Aviation Pilot], USCG
Air Medal

Served as first pilot of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

PINNEY, Herbert W.
A.M. M. [Aviation Machinist's Mate] 1c, USCGR
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

SCHONING, Rudolph H.
A.R.M.1c [Aviation Radioman, First Class], USCGR
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.



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WILLIS, Hardy N.
A.P.1c [Aviation Pilot, First Class], USCG
Air Medal

Served as first pilot of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

GEORGIA

BUTLER, Ralph W.
ENS, USCG
Air Medal

Served as commander of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

GREEN, James E.
A.M.M. 1c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG
Air Medal

Served as a member of a combat air crew of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

WARD, Ellis P.
ENS, USCG
Air Medal

Served as first pilot of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

WHITE, Henry C.
LTJG, USCG
Augusta

Served as commander of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

ILLINOIS

DeMICHAELS, LeSalle
A.M.M. 1c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Air Medal



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Served as a member of a combat air crew of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal Citation as above.

FAK, Robert
A.R.M. 1c [Aviation Radioman, First Class], USCGR
Air Medal

Same citation as above.

KEATING, Robt. R.
A.R.M.2c [Aviation Radioman, Second Class], USCGR
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

KNOLL, Arthur N.
ENS, USCG
Air Medal

Served as first pilot of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

SEIDL, JAS. C. Jr.
ENS, USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

WESSELS, Lester F.
ENS, USCG
Air Medal

Served as a member of a combat air crew of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal Citation as above.

WOLFE, Seymour
C.A.P. [Chief Aviation Pilot], USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal Citation as above.

INDIANA



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SWANSTON, Wm. I.
CDR, USCG
Air Medal

For outstanding performance of duty as Commander of a Patrol Bombing Squadron and specifically while commanding of Greenland Fleet Air Unit and as Commander of a Patrol Plane from 15 November 1944 - 15 April 1945. He rendered valuable service and exhibited outstanding determination and skill while engaged in repeated extended flights in aerial scouting against enemy submarines and in covering convoys in Arctic regions of the North Atlantic.

IOWA

BARKER, Lloyd E.
A.M.M. 1c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Air Medal

For meritorious performance of duty while participating in extensive aerial flights as a member of a combat air crew of a patrol plane from 15 November 1944 - 15 April 1945. Exhibiting outstanding skill, he engaged in repeated extended flights in aerial scouting against enemy submarines and in covering convoy in the Arctic regions of the North Atlantic under extremely hazardous climatic and operational conditions.

CADAM, Jas. H.
A.R.M.1c [Aviation Radioman, First Class], USCGR
Air Medal

Same Air Medal Citation as above.

MARSHALL, R. E.
A.O.M.2c [Aviation Ordnanceman, Second Class], USCGR
Air Medal

Same Air Medal Citation as above.

WALTER, Herbert
A.O.M.2c [Aviation Ordnanceman, Second Class], USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal Citation as above.



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SOULE, Floyd M.
CDR, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious conduct and outstanding performance of duty as Operations Officer on the staff of Commander Greenland Patrol from 30 November 1942 - 1 May 1945. During the period of organization and later of operation of the Greenland Patrol, Commander Soule displayed a knowledge of arctic ice, winds, currents and terrain which proved invaluable in avoiding dangers and expediting operations.

KANSAS

DAVID, Malcolm J.
A.M.M. 3c, [Aviation Machinist's Mate, Third Class], USCGR
Air Medal

For meritorious performance of duty while participating in extensive aerial flights as a member of a combat air crew of a patrol plane from 15 November 1944 - 15 April 1945. Exhibiting outstanding skill he engaged in repeated extended flights in aerial scouting against enemy submarines and in covering convoys in Arctic regions of the North Atlantic under extremely hazardous climatic and operational conditions.

GERBER, George J.
A.M.M. 1c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal Citation as above.

KENTUCKY

DURHAM, William N.
LT, USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal Citation as above.



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LOUISIANA

COFFEE, Harry D.
A.R.M.2c [Aviation Radioman, Second Class], USCGR
Air Medal

Same Air Medal Citation as above.

FINKLEA, James R.
A.R.M.1c [Aviation Radioman, First Class], USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal Citation as above.

MAINE

HERSEY, Paul F.
LTJG, USCG
Air Medal

For meritorious achievement as pilot of an amphibious utility plane based on a Coast guard Cutter of the U.S. Atlantic Fleet from July to October 1944. He contributed materially to the success of operations against enemy forces and installation in Northeast Greenland through his successful accomplishment of aerial patrols and searches.

MARYLAND

HALL, Norman B.
Commodore, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service as Chief of the Port Security Division of the USCG, Washington, DC from June 1942 to December 1944. Displaying sound judgment and excellent administrative ability, Commodore Hall worked tirelessly in the execution of a difficult assignment and was primarily responsible for the effective operation of port security organization and established for the purpose of safeguarding essential waterfront facilities and vessels in American ports against destruction, loss and injury.



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MASSACHUSETTS

COLLINS, John Francis
Mo.M.M. 1c [Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For outstanding courage as a member of a Repair Party assigned to rescue survivors of a partially abandoned tanker, the SS NASHBULK. When three men were observed swimming in different directions in the oil-covered water 200 yards from a large burning oil patch, Collins jumped in, swam 100 yards to the men, and kept them together and composed until it was possible for the ship to be maneuvered close enough for rescue operations. Collins then helped them aboard and continued to assist with his repair Party until 30 more men had been picked up.

PETERSON, Clarence H.
CAPT, USCG
Silver Star

For conspicuous gallantry in action as Commander of a Task Unit of Landing Ships Tanks during action against enemy Japanese forces at Cape Gloucester, New Britain, December 26, 1943 and at Saidor, New Guinea, January 2, 1944. Subjected to a withering hostile air attack during departure from the breach at Cape Gloucester, Captain Peterson fought his command aggressively and inflicted severe losses upon the enemy with a minimum of damage to his own units. A cool and proficient leader despite extremely difficult conditions he skillfully organized and guided succeeding echelons throughout the vital re-supply of these two important strongholds.

BIGELOW, Palmer W. Jr.
A.P. 1c [Aviation Pilot, First Class], USCGR
Air Medal

For meritorious performance of duty while participating in extensive aerial flights as first pilot of a patrol plane from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Exhibiting outstanding skill, he engaged in repeat extended flights in aerial scouting against enemy submarines and in covering convoys in Arctic regions of the North Atlantic under extremely hazardous climatic and operation conditions.

BREWNAHAN, Richard T.
A.R.M.1c [Aviation Radioman, First Class], USCG
Air Medal



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Served as a member of a combat air crew of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

BUSWELL, Charles C.

A.M.M. 1c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

HAZEL, Gordon S.

A.M.M. 1c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

PETERSON, Robt. L.

A.M.M. 1c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

RIELLY, Robt. B.

A.O.M. 2c [Aviation Ordnanceman Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

STEWART, Francis P.

A.R.M.1c [Aviation Radioman, First Class], USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

TOWEY, Stuart C.

A.M.M. 2c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

WEEKS, Sherman M.

Pho.M.2c [Photographer's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Air Medal



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Same Air Medal citation as above.

ZEIGLER, Herbert D.

A.R.M.1c [Aviation Radioman, First Class], USCG

Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

MICHIGAN

COLVIN, Robt. A.

A.R.M.2c [Aviation Radioman, Second Class], USCGR

Air Medal

For meritorious performance of duty while participating in extensive aerial flights as a member of a combat air crew of a patrol plane from 15 November 1944 - 15 April 1945. Exhibiting outstanding skill he engaged in repeated extended flights in aerial scouting against enemy submarine and in covering convoys in Arctic regions of the North Atlantic under extremely hazardous climatic and operational conditions.

COOK, Lloyd A.

A.M.M. 1c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG

Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

MAKS, Walter

A.M.M. 2c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCGR

Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

MINNESOTA

RADKE, Leonard M.

A.O.M.2c [Aviation Ordnanceman, Second Class], USCGR

Air Medal



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Same Air Medal citation as above.

MISSOURI

CORRIGAN, Joseph B.
A.O.M.2c [Aviation Ordnanceman, Second Class], USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

SALSBURY, Vaughn E.
LT, USCGR
Air Medal

Served as commander of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

NEBRASKA

DONNELLY, Jack w.
A.M.M. 2c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, 2c], USCGR
Air Medal

Served as a member of the combat air crew of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

JONES, Donald L.
A.R.M.1c [Aviation Radioman, First Class], USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

NEW JERSEY

GRAFF, Howard J.
A.M.M. 2c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Air Medal



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Same Air Medal citation as above.

RIES, Elmor V.

A.M.M. 2c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCG

Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

NEW YORK

EMBODY, David B.

LT, USCGR

Bronze Star

For outstanding performance of duty as Executive Officer of the USS LOWE while engaged in offensive action against an enemy submarine March 18 1945. During the approach and attack, he provided the Commanding Officer with an excellent summary of the situation which was of greatest value in assisting him in maintaining contact and in delivering an effective attack.

FELDMAN, Herbert

LCDR, USCGR

Legion of Merit

For meritorious performance of duty as Commander Officer, USS LOWE, March 18, 1945, in an attack against an enemy submarine. When his ship obtained contact with an enemy submarine, he immediately maneuvered his ship into position for an attack. Accurately evaluating the available information and handling his ship with great skill, he so successfully carried out his attack as to deprive the enemy of an opportunity to take counter-measure or to escape. When directed he laid down further depth charges in order to insure the destruction of the enemy.

FRENCH, Reginald H.

CDR, USCG

Legion of Merit

For meritorious conduct as Commander of a U.S. Atlantic Fleet anti-submarine task group while engaged in offensive action against the enemy. Throughout the prolonged search for an enemy submarine known to be operating in a general area the task group displayed outstanding teamwork and coordination in carrying out an effective and persistent search which finally located the enemy. Under his continued supervision and direction ships of the task group



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participated in a series of coordinated attacks which probably resulted in the destruction of the submarine as evidenced by the large quantity of oil and debris brought to the surface.

MCCABE, Frank M.
LCDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For outstanding performance of duty as Commanding Officer USS MENGES, March 18 1945, when an enemy submarine was attacked by the USS LOWE. He ordered to assist the LOWE made contact in shoal water with an enemy submarine. He ordered his ship into action immediately and with an excellent demonstration of the evaluation of information received, maneuvered his vessel into position and attacked the submarine. The attack was extremely accurate, and aided in the final destruction of the enemy sub.

PETRONICK, Theo. G.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism in rescuing an officer from drowning February 20, 1945, during the assault on Iwo Jima Island. When the officer fell from a debarkation not on a combat transport and burdened with a full battle pack and heavy clothing and being physically exhausted was in danger of drowning, Petronick voluntarily descended the net into the water and leaving the net succeeded in getting the officer to where the latter could grasp the net. He then cut away the officer's battle pack and aided in sustaining him until a landing craft could rescue him.

REILLY, Louis Isiah
LCDR, USCG
Distinguished Service Cross (British award)

For gallantry skill and undaunted devotion to duty shown as Commanding Officer of LST-261 during the assault on the Coast of Normandy. Award is second highest English medal honor.

ALLARDICE, Corbin C.
LTJG, USCGR
Air Medal

For meritorious performance of duty while participating in extensive aerial flights as first pilot of a patrol plane from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Exhibiting outstanding skill, he engaged in repeated extended flights in aerial scouting against enemy submarine and in covering convoys in Arctic regions of the North Atlantic under extremely hazardous climatic and operational conditions.



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FERRANTO, John J. Jr.
A.O.M.1c [Aviation Ordnanceman, First Class], USCG
Air Medal

Served as member of a combat air crew of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

FLETCHER, Edward
A.M.M. 2c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

TIMBER, William A.
A.M.M. 1c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

NORTH CAROLINA

EVANS, Gilbert R.
LCDR, USCG
Air Medal

Served as commander of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

OHIO

LUSE, James D.
LT, USCG
Bronze Star

For outstanding performance of duty as Anti-Submarine Warfare Officer of the USS LOWE while engaged in offensive action against an enemy submarine March 18 1945. Lt. Luse correctly evaluated the target and by the exercise of sound judgment skillfully coordinated the ship's anti-submarine team so effectively that the Commanding Officer was able to carry out his attack with lethal accuracy.



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DONNELL, James A.

A.M.M. 2c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCGR

Air Medal

For meritorious performance of duty while participating in extensive aerial flights as a member of a combat air crew of a patrol plane from 15 November 1944 - 15 April 1945. Exhibiting outstanding skill he engaged in repeated extended flights in scouting enemy submarine and in covering convoys in Arctic regions of the North Atlantic under extremely hazardous conditions.

McLANE, Leon J.

A.M.M. 2c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCGR

Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

OKLAHOMA

HEATH, James L. Jr.

A.R.M.2c [Aviation Radioman, Second Class], USCG

Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

NIPPER, Fred A.

A.O.M.3c [Aviation Ordnanceman, Third Class], USCGR

Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

OREGON

SHAW, Harold Z.

A.M.M. 1c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG

Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.



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PENNSYLVANIA

BEHRENDTS, William C.

A.M.M. 2c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

BOWERS, Maurice L.

LT, USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above. Served as commander of a patrol plane.

BRASWELL, Wheeler M.

LTJG, USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

ECKELS, Harry H.

LT, USCG
Air Medal

Served as commander of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

EISENSTAT, Irving

A.R.M.1c. [Aviation Radioman, First Class], USCGR
Air Medal

Served as a member of a combat air crew of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

MILES, Emerson W.

ENS, USCGR
Air Medal

Served as first pilot on a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

SHIELDS, James W.

LT, USCGR
Air Medal



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Served as commander of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

VOLDISH, Adolph S.
LT, USCGR
Air Medal

Served as a member of a combat air crew of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

RHODE ISLAND

KENDERSON, Alex G.
A.R.M.1c. [Aviation Radioman, First Class], USCGR
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

SOUTH DAKOTA

COLER, Charles L.
ENS, USCG
Air Medal

Served as first pilot on a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

BERRETH, William M.
A.M.M. 2c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Air Medal

Served as a member of a combat air crew of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

TEXAS

HEDRICK, Ernest D.
ENS, USCG
Air Medal



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Served as commander of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

VIRGINIA

SHELTON, Francis A.
LT, USCGR
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

WALLACE, William C.
ENS, USCG
Air Medal

Served as first pilot on a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

WASHINGTON

KIENHOLZ, Robert B.
A.O.M.2c. [Aviation Ordnanceman, Second Class], USCG
Air Medal

Served as a member of a combat air crew of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

WEST VIRGINIA

GERVE, VINCENT J.
A.M.M. 1c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, First Class] 1c., USCG
Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

WISCONSIN



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KING, Herbert H.

A.R.M.1c. [Aviation Radioman, First Class], USCGR

Air Medal

Served as a member of a combat air crew of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

BURCH, Francis X.

A.M.M. 1c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCG

Air Medal

Served as a member of a combat air crew of a patrol plane. Same Air Medal citation as above.

DONAHUE, William E.

A.R.M.1c. [Aviation Radioman, First Class], USCG

Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

McCALL, John W.

A.M.M. 1c [Aviation Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCGR

Air Medal

Same Air Medal citation as above.

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BURKE, William E.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For distinguished heroism in rescuing a man from drowning in the San Juanico Straits, Philippine Island, on 13 June 1945. While on duty on the U.S. Army FS-366, he saw a dory containing nine men capsize in the strong current. When rescue boats were unable to reach one man who was in danger of drowning he dove into the water with a life jacket swam to the floundering man and kept him afloat until help arrived.

DeJOY, Anthony J.
CDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious service against the enemy as Commander of the Central Marianas Air Seaman Rescue Unit from 22 April to 1 September 1945. By his tireless energy, leadership, and complete cooperation with all participating organizations, the unit under his command accomplished the outstanding record of rescuing one hundred fifty-one survivors of downed aircraft.

CALIFORNIA

OWENS, Francis L.
H.A. [?] 2c., USCGR
Bronze Star

For courageous conduct while serving aboard the U.S. Army FS-209 during a hazardous operation in the re-supply of forces on Mindoro, Philippine Islands, on 28 December 1944. When an ammunition ship exploded and blew two men into oil-covered, debris-filled water, he voluntarily jumped overboard endangering his own life to bring the dazed and bruised men to safety.

PAIN, Rodney H. H.
LTJG, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct performed in the face of great danger to himself in rescuing an enlisted man from drowning on 4 October 1944. When a man fell over board from a ship anchored in territorial waters of the United States, he courageously plunged over the side of the ship with utter disregard for his own safety and sustained the unconscious man until help arrived thus saving his life.



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REDIGER, Jack N.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism displayed on 9 January 1945, when well aware of the dangers involved and in spite of the hazard to his life he entered a box car loaded with explosives and assisted in putting out a fire which would have ignited other explosive ammunition and caused a major catastrophe.

CONNECTICUT

RIEDEL, William R.
LCDR., USCG
Bronze Star

For heroic and meritorious conduct as Commander of LST Division forth-two and as Acting Commander of Group twenty-one, LST Flotillas Seven, in amphibious operations against the enemy in the New Guinea, Maluccas and Philippine Island area from 24 September 1944 - 2 April 1945, when he aggressively and skillfully handled the echelons under his command contributing to the success of the operations.

SARGENT, Thomas R.
LCDR., USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious conduct as Commanding Officer of a U.S. Naval vessel during operations against enemy held islands in the Southwest Pacific Area, From 1 December 1944 - 8 March 1945, when his conduct during enemy air attacks and while in command of an escort for numerous convoys in the combat area, distinguished him among those performing duties of the same character.

FLORIDA

FORD, James
LT, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For daring initiative outstanding fortitude and extreme courage in rescuing a blind man from the tracks of a subway train at the 59th street station, seventh avenue subway, New York City, on 14



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March 1945. When the man fell from the waiting platform about 150 feet from him he unhesitatingly jumped into the pit seized the semi-conscious man and made a desperate attempt to lift him to safety with the aid of a Naval Officer. Failing in this effort he frantically signaled the motorman of the rapidly approaching train to stop. As the train continued to bear down he leaped onto the platform and pulled the blind man from the tracks just as the train passed thus saving his life.

CASS, William F.
LCDR., USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious conduct as Commander Officer of a U.S. Naval vessel during operations against enemy held islands in the Southwest Pacific Area, From 1 December 1944 - 8 March 1945, when his conduct during enemy air attacks and whirl in command of an escort for numerous convoys in the combat area, distinguished him among those performing duties of the same character.

SCHRADER, James Newton
LCDR., USCG
Air Medal

For fearless initiative brilliant airmanship and grave concern for the safety of another at great personal risk demonstrated when carrying out a perilous aerial mission to save the life of a seriously injured man at Cayo Frances, Cuba, the night of 10 February 1945, while he was operation officer at the Coast Guard Air Station, Miami, Florida. Notified of the immediate need of hospitalization for a an who was bleeding to death, he promptly relieved the regular duty pilot and volunteered to fly the mission himself despite the probability of hazardous landing conditions. Dropping flares and finding no landing aids available and a number of merchant ships and barges moored in the anchorage, necessitating landing in the bay which was open to seaward and subject to ground swells, he executed a successful instrument landing in unrelieved darkness and thick over case of 1500 feet, took the injured man aboard his plane and effected a skillful takeoff, arriving less than two hours later at the Naval Hospital in Key West with his patient.

GEORGIA

DAMERON, Ben Butterworth
LT, USCG
Air Medal



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For determined aggressiveness, expert airmanship and resolute fortitude in fulfilling an important mission in aerial flight as pilot of a Catalina Air Seaman Rescue Plane on a search mission to locate and direct assistance to a disabled Norwegian tanker in the North Atlantic on 25 January 1945. Immediately proceeding toward the reported position of the BRTAMSEA, he continued his search despite the hazards of instrument flying, ceiling zero, low visibility and inoperative equipment. Exercising expert technical ability in face of tremendous odds, he succeeded in locating the ship and directed a salvage vessel to the scene. Circling above the stricken ship, he maintained contact until adverse weather and shortage of fuel forced him to return to base.

HAMMETTE, Harrell E.
R.M.3c [Radioman, Third Class] USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism on the night of 9 December 1944, when well aware of the dangers involved and in spite of the very real hazard to his life, he unhesitant entered the icy waters of Prince William Sound where his quick and skillful conduct under adverse conditions of rain, strong winds, swift currents and darkness enable him to rescue two people who were drowning.

McGOWAN, William H.
LT, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious conduct in action against the enemy as Executive Officer and later Commanding Officer of the U.S.S. LST 66 in amphibious operations at Cape Gloucester on 17 January 1944 and during the invasion of Leyte on 20 October 1944, when he maneuvered his ship in a skillful and courageous manner so that his professional knowledge and leadership contributed to the success of the operations.

NEWELL, Raymond B.
LT, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious conduct as Commander Officer of the U.S.S. LST 26 in action against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area. During the period from 4 May 1944 - 27 January 1945, he participated in amphibious operations at Aitape, Sansapor, Leyte and Lingayen Gulf, maneuvering his ship in an aggressive and courageous manner and materially contributing to the success of the United States forces.

IOWA



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DAME, James R.
ENS, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism in effecting the rescue of personnel from the sinking troopship, HMS LEOPOLDVILLE on 24 December 1944. With great risk and without regard for personal danger, under extremely adverse conditions of weather and darkness, he led his flotilla of Coast Guard cutter to the stricken vessel and succeeded in saving many lives. After the ship had gone down, he entered the icy and dangerous waters to assist survivors in boarding his craft displaying throughout the operations exceptional qualities of leadership and setting an example for his men that was largely responsible for the success of the rescue operations.

LOUISIANA

FORTIER, Gerald A.
C.B.M. [Chief Boatswain's Mate], USCG
Bronze Star

For courageous and meritorious conduct on 12 March 1945, when an Army barge, which was being towed by the supply ship on which he was a crew member parted its lines off Wewak, New Guinea. In spite of the heavy sea and inclement weather he voluntarily swam to the drifting craft and secured her to a line from his ship thus preventing the barge from beaching on a nearby enemy positions.

MAINE

ROBERTSHAW, Jacob D.
LT, USCGR
Bronze Star

For heroic and meritorious conduct aboard the U.S.S. LST 170 and as Commanding Officer of the U.S.S. LST 206 in amphibious operations against the enemy at Aitape on 4 May 1944; at Wakde on 18 May 1944; at Morotai on 16 September 1944 and at Leyte on 20 October 1944. He aggressively maneuvered his ship in a courageous manner in all operations and his professional knowledge, skill and leadership contributed to the success of the missions.



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MASSACHUSETTS

GIFORD, Harry C.
LCDR., USCG
Silver Star

For gallantry and intrepidity aboard the U.S.S. CALLAWAY in her action against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific area on 8 January 1945. By his cool and capable direction the engine room force was led in the operation of the ships machinery in spite of the fire, smoke and exploding ammunition caused by enemy action. As a result of his capable leadership the ship was enable to continue on her primary mission in the assault of Lingayen Gulf on the day following.

VOLTON, Alfred
LT, USCG
Bronze Star

For efficient leadership and keep professional ability displayed as Commanding Officer of the U.S.S. LST 27 prior to during and after the invasion of Normandy, France on 6 June 1944. His tireless efforts and initiative were responsible for his ship's successful participation in the initial landings on Normandy and later in thirty-nine cross channel trips transporting the necessary was materials and evacuating casualties and prisoners. He displayed outstanding leadership in maneuvering his ship through the narrow and heavily mined waters under the hazards of adverse weather, strong cross currents and the ever-present danger from enemy attack.

MISSOURI

DeJARNETTE, Harold M.
B.M.2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism in rescuing a man from the waters of manila Bay Philippine Island on 12 May 1945. When a member of the crew of a small boat from the U.S. Army Lt 652 fell over board the coxswain of the boat attempted the rescue of his shipmate, but soon was in grave danger of drowning himself. Despite the heavy sea and unfavorable weather, DeJarnette swam to the assistance of this man and by his courageous efforts succeeded in returning him to safety.

ROBERTS, John D.
A.R.M. 1c [Aviation Radioman, First Class], USCG
Air Medal



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For courage, determination and devotion to duty as observer in a number of aerial flights under hazardous condition over the North Atlantic and the arctic, North of 750 N, when he effectively carried out his duties as communicator and his efforts proved an important factor contributing to the success of his Task Unit in carrying out its assigned missions.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

LEWIS, Edward E.
C.M.M. [Chief Machinist's Mate], USCG
Bronze Star

For heroic and meritorious conduct on 12 March 1945, when an Army barge which was being towed by the supply ship on which he was a crew member parted its lines off Wewak, New Guinea. In spite of the heavy sea and inclement weather Lewis voluntarily swam to the drifting craft and secured her to a line from his ship, thus preventing the barge from beaching on a nearby enemy position.

NEW JERSEY

HERRMANN, Harry E.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic and gallant conduct while serving on board the USS LST 261 in effecting the rescue of two shipmates from drowning in the waters of the outer harbor of Southampton, England in June 1944. He voluntarily jumped over board to rescue two shipmates struggling with the strong current. After returning one man safely to the ship, he swam to aid the other seaman 700 yards away and carried him to a nearer vessel where he effectively applied first aid.

PHILLIPS, Gordon A.
LT, USCGR
Bronze Star

For distinguished action against the enemy while serving on board the USS LST 18 and as Commanding Officer of the USS LST 22 amphibious operations at Cape Gloucester, Los Negros, Hallandia, Aitape, Biak, Noemfoor, Morotai, Leyte, and Lingayen Gulf. He aggressively maneuvered his ship in a courageous manner and his professional knowledge skill and leadership contributed to the success of the operations.



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NEW YORK

LEWIS, Edwin Leonard
Coxswain, USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For self-sacrificing spirit and daring efforts displayed while attached to the U.S. Coast Guard cutter CARTIGAN on duty off Cape May, NJ, 1 February 1945, when a member of the crew was accidentally washed over board and was struggling to stay afloat. Lewis voluntarily went over the side and despite the handicap of heavy clothing and life jacket courageously fought his way through the heavy icy seas and succeeded in grasping the exhausted man just as he was going under and supported him until both men were hauled aboard to safety.

MURPHY, William E.
ENS, USCG
Silver Star

For gallantry and intrepidity in action against the enemy on 8 January 1945, in the Southwest Pacific area, when he caused himself to be lowered into wrecked clipping room which it was still burning and the ammunition in it still exploding the rescue an injured man.

RAHLE, Oliver
LT, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious conduct as Commanding Officer of the U.S. Army FS 309 during operations against Nasugbu Bay, Luzon Philippine Islands, on 14 February 1945, when his foresight in rigging a raft about his vessel prevented its sinking when attacked by an enemy vessel which exploded upon striking the raft. Loss of life and congestion of dock were also prevented.

WOLF, George M.
Mo.M.M. 2c [Motor Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For exceptional presence of mind and cool courage in saving the lives of two shipmates and possibly the lives of all hands on board when the CG-74327 on which he was serving collided with the USS S-418 at the entrance to Portsmouth Harbor off the coast of New Hampshire on 10 November 1944. station in the engine room when the disaster occurred Wolf quickly went topside and brought aboard one man caught in the rigging and after getting a seriously injured comrade in a place of safety hurried to the wheelhouse where he found another unconscious



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seaman and carried his aft. Realizing that the vessel was sinking fast, he secured two life jackets on the helpless men and after checking the depth charges to see that they were on safe slid the wounded men into the water. Although he was unable to swim he went over the side and holding the two men together to prevent their being washed away by the heavy seas, maneuvered them toward the submarine where they were brought aboard.

NORTH CAROLINA

RYSSY, John W.
CDR., USCG
Legion of Merit

For outstanding leadership and exemplary conduct under repeated air attacks and exceptionally meritorious service as Escort Division Commander of numerous convoys in the combat area and during operations against enemy held islands in the Southwest Pacific area from 1 December 1944- 8 March 1945.

OHIO

WALKER, Paul E.
Surgeon, USPHS [U.S. Public Health Service]
Bronze Star

For professional skill and devotion to duty, instrumental in saving the lives and alleviating suffering of wounded during operations against the enemy at Saipan in June 1944 at Tinian in July 1944 and at Leyte Island, Philippine Island 20 to 23 October 1944. Surgeon Walker displayed outstanding ability as assault transport division and transport group medical officer. During attacks on Saipan and Tinian he performed eighteen major surgical operations and five lesser ones in the cramped spaces on the ships operating room in temperatures that ranged up to one hundred and ten degrees.

OKLAHOMA



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BUXTON, Henry L.
Sp. [Specialist] (f) [Fire Fighter] 1c., USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism displayed on 9 January 1945, when well aware of the dangers involved and in spite of the hazard to his life he entered a box car loaded with explosives and assisted in putting out a fire which would have ignited other explosive ammunition and caused a major catastrophe.

OREGON

SCHOPPERT, Kenton P.
ENS, USCGR
Bronze Star

For leadership and outstanding devotion to duty displayed as Commanding Officer of the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter 83431 in rescuing survivors of the invasion off the coast of France in June 1944. On 6 June 1944 the cutter rescued many survivors from a torpedoed destroyer despite the heavy seas which were running at the time and the great difficulties encountered in getting many of the exhausted men aboard. On 8 June 1944, the ship was dispatched to the aid of the USS RICH which had been mined approximately two miles from the French coast in a concentrated mine area. With utter disregard of this danger, the cutter proceeded at full speed, reaching the sinking ship while many wounded men were still aboard. As the ship was moored out board a companion Coast Guard rescue craft here crew went aboard the RICH and took off survivors. Although the stricken ship was sinking rapidly her decks being already awash, the crew made and exhaust search even going so far as to enter compartments below decks which were already more than half-filled with water. In addition to removing 24 survivors, the depth charge racks of the destroyer escort were sent on safe by members of the rescuing crew and within fifteen minutes after the cutter arrived upon the scene the RICH sank from sight.

STEWART, Melvin L.
LT, USCGR
Bronze Star

For efficient leadership and keep professional ability displayed as Commanding Officer of the USS LST 281 prior to during and after the invasion of Normandy, France on 6 June 1944. His tireless efforts and initiative were responsible for his ship's successful participation in the initial landings on Normandy and later in fifteen cross channel trips transporting the necessary materials and evacuating casualties and prisoners. He displayed outstanding leadership in maneuvering his ship through the narrow and heavily mined waters under the hazards of adverse weather, strong cross and the ever present danger from enemy attack.



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PENNSYLVANIA

ALEXANDER, Robert J.
CDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious conduct as Commanding Officer of a U.S. Naval vessel during operations against enemy held island in the Southwest Pacific area from 1 December 1944 - 8 March 1945, when his conduct during enemy air attacks and while in command of an escort for numerous convoys distinguished him among those performing duties of the same character.

ROSE, Earl G.
RADM, USCG
Bronze Star

For ability and devotion to duty as Commander Greenland Patrol from November 1943 - July 1945, when forces under his command successfully patrolled Greenland waters and disrupted enemy attempts to establish shore installations in Greenland. As Commander of a Task Group in northern waters, he directed important patrol, weather and air sea rescue services, materially assisting the ferrying of aircraft on the northern routes of North Atlantic. His excellent planning sound judgment resulted in efficient administration of his task group and contributed in large measure to the successful accomplishment of the tasks assigned. His tact and understanding maintained the most cordial relations with local authorities and with other U.S. and allied forces.

TRESTER, Glenn E.
CDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For heroic and meritorious conduct as Executive Officer of the USS CALLAWAY during her action against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific area on 8 January 1945. As a result of his leadership and organizational ability as well as his diligent personal training of the officers and men under his supervision his ship was able to complete her primary mission in the assault of Lingayen Gulf, Philippine Island on 9 January 1945.

RHODE ISLAND



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GILLERAN, Clarence J.
LT, USCG
Bronze Star

Or efficient leadership and keen professional ability as Commanding Officer, USS LST 327 prior to during and after the invasion of Normandy, France on 6 June 1944. his tireless efforts and initiative were responsible for his ship's successful participation in the initial landings on Normandy and later in 25 cross channel trips transporting the necessary war materials and evacuating casualties and prisoners. He displayed outstanding leadership in maneuvering his ship through the narrow and heavily mined water under the hazards of adverse weather, strong cross currents and the ever present danger from enemy attack.

VIRGINIA

BOHM, Charles Henry
B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCG
Bronze Star

For heroism and meritorious conduct as Coxswain of a Control Boat during the amphibious assault against enemy help position in Lingayen Gulf, Philippine Islands. He led the first assault wave from his ship to the beach and later, when important soundings were being taken directly offshore, he maneuvered his crate in such a way that bother boat and crew escaped without injure, despite severe enemy mortar fire. During the unloading phase, his performance of duty as close in traffic control officer was most commendable. He also performed valuable service as control boat coxswain during the amphibious operations against Saipan, Tinian, Leyte, and San Antonio.

HAGGLOVE, Jonas Torgny
LCDR., USCG
Silver Star

For gallantry and intrepidity aboard the USS CALLAWAY during her action against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific area on 8 January 1945. Although suffering from severe burns, he led the damage control party and as result of his capable leadership much was done to control the damage to his ship, enabling her to perform his primary mission in the assault of Lingayen Gulf on the following day.

RUDING, Walter G.
F. 1c [Fireman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal



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For heroism and outstanding performance of duty while engaged in handling lines for the docking of the USAT EDMUND P. ALEXANDER at Navy Yard Annex, Bayonne, New Jersey, on 19 May 1945. With utter disregard for his personal safety he dived into the dry dock and swam 75 feet to the assistance of a shipyard worker who had fallen over board from a small boat and had disappeared below the surface. Upon reaching the spot, Ruding dived and recovered the man, brought him to the surface and supported him until help arrived, when he was assisted in putting the man in a boat. He had remained in the water with the man until he was at a point of exhaustion himself. His action had saved the life of the shipyard worker.

SUMMERFIELD, Albert J.
LT, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious conduct in operations against the enemy as Electronics Engineer of the Pacific Area Construction Detachment, United States Coast Guard. He was responsible for the technical aspects on the installation and operation from the Aleutians to Australia, of the LORAN stations which aided the safe navigation of air, surface and submarine forces and contributed substantially to the early defeat of Japan. His arduous work was carried out with consistent success despite difficult and often dangerous conditions. His leadership was an inspiration to all with whom he served and his performance of duty throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Naval service.

WASHINGTON

COLLINS, Garland W.
CDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious conduct as Commanding Officer of a U.S. Naval vessel during operations against enemy held islands in the Southwest Pacific Area, From 1 December 1944 - 8 March 1945, when his conduct during enemy air attacks and while in command of an escort for numerous convoys in the combat area, distinguished him among those performing duties of the same character.

McCORMICK, Joseph T.
ENS, USCG
Air Medal

For courageous conduct and meritorious achievement as pilot of a United States Coast Guard plane from 13 September to 15 October 1944, in the Northeast Greenland area. Under difficult



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and dangerous conditions, several miles north of the Arctic circle he made eleven flights in search of enemy activities. By his persistent effects he finally located an enemy weather station and an armed trawler. The information he obtained under hazardous conditions contributed materially to the subsequent capture of the enemy equipment.

NELSON, Norman M.
CDR., USCG
Legion of Merit

For meritorious conduct and outstand service as Commander LST Group twenty-one and Task Unit Commander of the United States units during the period from October 1944, to August 1945. Throughout amphibious landing operations in the Philippine Islands and Borneo, he displayed exceptional abilities of leadership and seamanship, and personally directed the successful completion of numerous assault and reinforcement echelons although subjected to the hazards of enemy action. He performed invaluable service in coordinating and supervising repair, maintenance, and logistics work in support of amphibious operations. His professional knowledge, cooperation, energy and sound judgment contributed materially to the success of the operations in which he took part.

WEST VIRGINIA

TILLER, Jennings R.
Sea. 2c [Seaman, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal (posthumous)

For daring initiative, outstanding fortitude and determined perseverance in the face of grave peril in rescuing a man from drowning when his ship, the USS JACKSON, capsized and sank during a hurricane off Cape Hatters on 14 September 1944. Observing a shipmate being tossed in the torrential seas and unable to swim after being swept overboard when his life preserver was torn from his grasp during abandon-ship operations, Tiller fearlessly risked his life to attempt a rescue. Fighting his way to the side of the drowning man, he struggled desperately to support his burden and swam with him through the stormy, mountainous seas to a life raft some distance from the scene of the disaster. As a result of his self sacrificing efforts on behalf of another, Tiller, weakened from shock, exhaustion and exposure, succumbed the following day. He gallantly gave his life for another.

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TOLLAISEN, Leslie B.
LCDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For outstanding performance of duty as Commanding Officer of the USS MOBERLY 5-6 May 1945, in a series of attack on an enemy submarine, during which the enemy submarine was sunk. Directed by the Task Group Commander, he immediately proceeded to the scene and instituted a search. He evidenced skill and foresight in arranging the initial search which led to the discovery and destruction of the submarine. When it was located the MOBERLY assisted greatly in establishing the identity of the sonar contact and made successive attacks. He trained the ship's company to place the ship back in operating status quickly after each attack in which steering control and gyro were temporarily damaged from severe concussions.

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This list contains medals and decoration awarded U.S. Coast Guardsmen since publication of BOOK OF VALOR, Supplemental List No 2, November 1945. This supplement also includes those who have been authorized commendation ribbons.

(Precedence of medals has been changed as announced by the Navy Department 1 February 1946. The Silver Star Medal now follows the Distinguished Service Medal and the Legion of Merit follows the Silver Star Medal.)

ALABAMA

BRESNAN, Joseph A.
CDR., USCG
Bronze Star

For outstanding services as a Deputy Assault Group Commander during the assault on France 6 June 1944. He took station close to the beach under heavy assault enemy fire and remained under heavy fire making spot decisions reorganizing grouping and dispatching craft to the beach thereby contributing greatly to the success of the operation.



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KIMERLY, James H.
CDR, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For outstanding performance of duty at Coast Guard Headquarters as Assistant Chief of the 4 Auxiliary Division from August 1 1942 - November 29, 1945. Responsible in large measure for the tremendous growth of the Auxiliary in the United States, Alaska and Hawaii he spend freely of his private income in developing favorable public opinion toward the Coast Guard and the Auxiliary, aiding in establishing nearly 200 flotillas in strategic locations to protect waterfront facilities against sabotage and fire and to release many regular servicemen for duty overseas.

ARKANSAS

ROSEBERRY, Milmo Wilson
G.M.3c [Gunner's Mate, Third Class], USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as a crew member of a patrol craft during the assault and capture of Okinawa. When a nearby friendly vessel was attacked by a low flying enemy suicide plane, he as a gunner acted with great courage and skill directing accurate and intense fire into the attacking plane, thereby contributing materially to the destruction of the enemy plane and the saving of the friendly ship from probable damage and casualties.

CALIFORNIA

BECK, Rollo
B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as a member of an assault unit participating in the landing on Angaur, Palau Islands, in September 1944, when in the face of enemy fire he bravely prepared the way for the operations of combat troops contributing greatly to the success of a hazardous mission.

BOOTH, John P.
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star



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For meritorious service with the Office of Strategic Service in connection with clandestine military operations against the enemy, frequently within enemy controlled territory, during the period from 17 December 1944 - 15 March 1945. With disregard for his own safety and physical weariness, he repeatedly volunteered to personally lead teams of underwater swimmers and kayak-borne reconnaissance groups into enemy held areas in order to secure needed intelligence.

DEMPSEY, William H.
CDR, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For outstanding performance of duty as Director of the Physical Training Program of the Coast Guard and later as Moral Officer, from June 1942 - October 1945. Charged with organizing the entire physical fitness program, he introduced unique training techniques to prepare officers and men for combat service. He also gave freely of his time talents and experience for recruiting purposes and for urging increased home front production of vitally needed combat equipment. In addition to his regular duties, he participated in eight Treasure War bond drives, made special appearances at training centers throughout the country and toured the globe to appear at advanced bases and hospitals thereby strengthening the moral of troops in all theatres of operations. Upon cessation of hostilities, he volunteered to remaining the service to tour the nation on behalf of the Victory Loan Drive.

DONNELL, Kenneth W.
CDR, USCGR
Legion of Merit

For outstanding service as Commander Pacific Area Construction detachments and Commanding Officer of a Coast guard Construction Unit. He was responsible for planning and executing the establishment and operation of 28 LORAN station throughout the Pacific Ocean areas. These valuable aids to navigation for combat air surface and submarine craft established under difficult condition and in minimum time, were an important contribution to the early defeat of Japan.

ECKARDT, Garnet H.
Mo.M.M. 1c [Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Silver Star

For gallantry and intrepidity in action as a member of a salvage boat crew attached to the U.S. CAVALIER while participating in assault landings against the enemy in Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. Facing intense enemy mortar fire he display exceptional courage skill initiative and devotion to duty while aiding in the salvage of numerous landing craft stranded on the beach. Disregarding his own safety and under continuous enemy fire, he unhesitatingly plunged onto the water and assisted in the rescue of a man who had been hurled over board by the explosion of an enemy shell.



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GARRETT, Arthur Owen
ENS, USCGR
Silver Star

For gallantry and intrepidity in action in October 1944 as a member of an assault unit participating in the landing in Leyte Gulf, Philippine Islands, when in the face of enemy rifle, machine gun and mortar fire he bravely prepared the way for the operations of combat troops contributing greatly to the success of this mission.

HELIGER, F.J.
LT, USCGR
Bronze Star

For heroic achievement in leading a salvage party aboard the S.S. SAUGRAINE which had been abandoned after being twice torpedoed by aircraft on 5 December 1944. He personally inspected every compartment of the damaged vessel, despite recurrent enemy air attacks, to determine the extent of damage. His accurate report enabled the Senior Officer Present float to reverse his previous decision to sink the vessel and to decide to attempt to salvage her. His assistance in rescuing over 200 Army survivors from the above vessel was outstanding.

HICKEY, William L.
Mo.M.M. 2c [Motor Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For heroic rescue of a drowning man from Los Angeles harbor on 21 October 1944, while attached to the Captain of the Port, LA. When a major fire occurred at Berth 223 Hickey who was assigned to the Fire Division proceeded to the scene in a picket boat with his commanding officer and other members of the crew. Under orders he went ashore near berth 223 and at that time saw a badly burned man clinging to a piling about fifty feet from shore and one hundred feet from the stern of a burning LSN. The man appeared to be in a shocked and failing condition and it was the greatest effort that he kept himself out of the water. Burning particles were dropping near him and an explosion was expected. In spite of the danger Hickey without hesitation and fully clothed swam to the helpless man and towed him to safety.

HIGBEE, Frank D.
CAPT, USCG
Legion of Merit

For outstanding service as Commanding Officer of LST Group 21 during Hollandia operations. A brilliant administrator and leader he also served with skill and courage as a bold tactician and seaman, effectively countering hostile fire while beached during the assault on Wade Island and fighting off a vigorous bombing attack while in command of resupply echelons to Biak and



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Noemfoor. By his capable direction of the units of Group 21 in the forward combat areas, he contributed directly to the successful conclusion of the New Guinea Campaign.

HOPPER, William DeWolf

B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCGR

Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as a member of an assault unit participating in the landing on Angaur, Palau Islands, in September 1944, when in the face of enemy rifle, machine gun and mortar fire, he bravely prepared the way for the operations of combat troops and by his courageous devotion to duty contributed greatly to the success of the mission.

KIMBALL, Richard S.

B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCGR

Air Medal

For meritorious action during the period 23 June 1945 to 1 August 1945 when, as kicker, he volunteered for and successfully completed thirteen operational flights over enemy territory which totaled more than one hundred combat flying hours. The flights were for the purpose of supplying Allied espionage teams operating deep in enemy held territory and all missions were flown without fighter escort and subject to continual hazard from adverse weather conditions, enemy anti-aircraft fire and enemy fighter craft.

MACDONALD, Everett

Mo.M.M. 1c [Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCGR

Bronze Star

For meritorious action during the period from 21 January 1945 - 25 February 1945, when he repeatedly volunteered for and carried out dangerous reconnaissance missions that secured valuable intelligence. On one occasion after the secrecy of the operation had been compromised and the enemy were known to beware of the party's presence he nevertheless volunteered to complete the mission which by his daring and skill was successfully accomplished.

MERRITT, Charles T.

Sea. 1/c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR

Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism in the attempted rescue of a shipmate on 12 May 1945 while attached to the U.S.S. Army Lt-652. He was coxswain of the small boat which was proceeding to a landing on the Passig River, Manila, Philippine Islands, and while en-route, a shipmate fell from the boat and struck his head on the propeller. Merritt immediately dove for the unconscious man and made fine valiant efforts to save him.



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NIKOLENKO, Nicholas
B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as a member of an assault unit participating in the landing on Angaur, Palau Islands in September 1944, when in the face of enemy rifle, machine gun and mortar fire, he bravely prepared the way for operations of combat troops and by his courageous devotion to duty contributed greatly to the success of the mission.

PARKER, Robert Kenneth
Mo.M.M. 1c [Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

Same as above citation

RADKE, Charles William
LT, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as Commanding Officer of the U.S.S. LST 18 and later the U.S.S. LST 204 during amphibious operations in the Southwest Pacific area from 23 April 1944 - 11 January 1945, when he maintained his ship in a high state of operating efficiency and by his devoted efforts contributed materially to the success of many assault landings and when his skill and aggressive leadership under combat condition were an inspiration to the officers and men serving under him.

RISSER, Gordon Keith
B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as a member of an assault unit participating in the landing on Angaur, Palau Islands in September 1944, when in the face of enemy rifle, machine gun and mortar fire, he bravely prepared the way for operations of combat troops and by his courageous devotion to duty contributed greatly to the success of the mission.

SCOLES, Robert Donald
G.M. 1c [Gunner's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

Same as above citation



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WILLIAMS, Robert Havard
Sp. 2c [Specialist, Second Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while serving as Fire Fighting Officer in Charge of a fire boat during a major conflagration at Los Angeles harbor on October 21, 1944. Quickly going to the rescue of a group of workers lying huddled near the bow of a burning LSM [Landing Ship, Medium] in an attempt to escape the flames he directed his boat alongside to allow thirteen men to come aboard. Later when a lifeline burned through and dropped two men into the water, he unhesitatingly went over the side between two burning LSM's less than fifteen feet apart and in imminent danger of exploding, and swam to their assistance. After these two had been placed aboard the fire boat he went to the rescue of still another holding him up until a line could be thrown from the boat.

WILSON, Kenneth E.
LT, USCG
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as Executive Officer and Gunnery Officer of the U.S.S. SAN PEDRO (PF-37) engaged in operation against enemy held islands throughout the Southwest Pacific Area from 1 April 1944 - 15 December 1944. He conducted shore bombardments of outstanding accuracy and intensity. His control of the anti aircraft defense of his ship and its assigned sectors resulted in the positive or probable destruction of numerous aircraft. His assistance in rescuing over two hundred Army survivors from the S.S. SAUGRANTE demonstrated his ability and leadership.

COLORADO

KENDELL, Kenneth George
Coxswain, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while attached to the Coast Guard Operating Base, Everett, Washington, when dispatched for the base to assist another vessel in towing and empty Navy barge on Puget Sound on November 22, 1944. Diving fully clothed into the cold dark waters to rescue a seaman who had fallen over board, he swam to the spot where the man had disappeared and diving from the surface succeeded in grasping the seaman's arm and supporting him until they could be brought on board where he administered artificial respiration until the man was fully recovered.

CONNECTICUT



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BENNETT, Louis L.
Commodore, USCG
Commendation Ribbon

For outstanding performance of duty as Commanding Officer of the Coast Guard Training Station at Groton, from August 1, 1942 - August 31, 1945, with additional duty as Director of the Coast Guard Institute. Assuming command of this station during a period of unpredicted expansion he was responsible for placing it in commission and for carrying on a program of petty officer training to produce a large number of skill man capable of manning combat vessels. He rendered invaluable service in the organization and administration of specialized training activities vital to the successful prosecution of the war and was in large measure responsible for the success of the Coast Guard in meeting all demands upon it for highly trained men.

NILES, Palmer A.
CDR, USCG (ret.)
Commendation Ribbon

For outstanding performance of duty of Officer in Charge of the Officer Training Schools, U.S. Coast Guard Academy, New London during the period from October 1943 to August 1945. Successfully administering a program of officer and officer candidate training for the Coast Guard he supplied the government with well trained young officers equipped and ready to take their places in ships and shore stations in all active theaters.

PINE, James
RADM, USCG
Legion of Merit

For outstanding service to the U.S. Government as Superintendent, Coast Guard Academy, New London from October 1941 to September 1945. Primarily responsible for the expansion of the Coast Guard Academy to provide the types of education required of officers and men to fill highly specialized duties, he exercised leadership, professional skill, excellent planning and exceptional devotion to duty in training thousands of officers and officer candidates enabling the coast to contribute its full measure to the waging of a successful war. Introducing many new techniques of great value, he substantially improved officer training in all its phases.

SEIDMAN, Robert B.
LT, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as Commanding Officer of a landing ship from April 1 to April 9, 1945, during the assault on Okinawa when demonstrating outstanding initiative courage and skill he coolly and capably directed the unloading of his ship over a dangerous reef in the face of enemy



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air attack. When his ship was struck by adjacent vessel drifting close aboard he showed great resourcefulness and ingenuity in shoring up bulkheads in order to minimize the damage. He contributed materially in getting urgently needed material ashore in the least amount of time.

SMITH, Richard R.
CDR, USCG
Bronze Star

Previously awarded Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic service as Executive Officer of a cargo ship from April - October 1945 during the assault and capture of Okinawa and the occupation of Japan. With exceptional leadership, initiative and ability and despite numerous enemy air attacks he ably supervised the numerous details of the vessel was largely responsible for maintaining a smooth running and highly efficient organization and contributed materially to the successful completion of two important operations.

DELAWARE

GIBBS, Isaac Kendall
C.B.M. [Chief Boatswain's Mate]
Bronze Star

For heroic service as a member of a transport beach party from the U.S.S. CAVALIER in connection with operations at San Fabin, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 January 1945 when continually exposing himself to enemy fire beyond the call of duty he displayed outstanding heroism and exceptional skill in evacuating casualties and in keeping the beach clear for the unloading of boats.

FLORIDA

FICK, Edward Neal
B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as a member of a patrol craft on June 22, 1945, during the assault and capture of Okinawa. When on two different occasions the ships in the area were attacked by enemy suicide planes he as a gunner directed intense and accurate fire into the attacking aircraft.



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Although endangered by the attacks, he displayed outstanding skill and courage and contributed materially to the destruction of both planes.

GILLERAN, Clarence J.
LCDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious performance of duty as Commanding Officer, U.S.S. LST 327 prior to during and after the invasion of Normandy, France on 6 June 1944. His tireless efforts and initiative were responsible for his ship's successful participation in the initial landing on Normandy and later in 25 cross channel trips transporting the necessary war materials and evacuating casualties and prisoners. He displayed outstanding leadership in maneuvering his ship through the narrow and heavily-mined waters under the hazards of adverse weather, strong cross currents and the ever present danger from enemy attack.

HOGUE, Alfred J.
LT, USCG
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service on a cargo ship from April to October 1945, during the assault and capture of Okinawa Gunto and the occupation of Japan. Demonstrating a thorough knowledge of his complex duties, he capably maintained all equipment in a constant state of readiness thereby aiding greatly in enabling the ship to carry out all assigned missions in an efficient manner. Through his sound judgment, leadership and devotion to duty despite numerous determined enemy air attacks he contributed materially to the success of these operations.

MULIERI, Bruno C.F.
LCDR, USCGR
Legion of Merit

For outstanding services in Italy from 5 November 1943, to 1 August 1945. Responsible for the full rehabilitation of the Italian fishing industry which subsequently harvested fish at the rate of about 90,000 tons a year, in addition to providing vitally needed food, he also aided in giving employment to thousands of other manufacturing concerns in not manufacturing ship-building canning and marine meters. He initiated several projects concerning this industry in addition to his regular duties. In devising a chart for the location mines and underwater obstacles he obtained and disseminated information to prevent loss of life and property. He went through mine laden water in small craft with the fisherman making continuous surveys. He displayed great resourcefulness in salvaging empty tin cans for military dumps to replace shortage of a tin plate required for canning and in salvaging grass rope and other commodities required to return the fishing industry to normal production. He was instrumental in the publication of a civil affairs manual issued by the Officer of the Chief of naval operations which was later used as



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model for all European countries and as guide for military government officers in the Southwest Pacific Area. He was commended by Italian officials for his contribution to the restoration of normal living food implementation and the rehabilitation of one of the most important industries in Italy.

ILLINOIS

ADAMS, Robert H.
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism in rescuing an enlisted man from drowning on February 24, 1945, in Pearl Harbor, Oahu territory of Hawaii. Upon seeing a swimmer sink beneath the water he with utter disregard for his personal safety bravely plunged over board and towed the then unconscious seaman to the shore. With skill and courage he save the life of the drowning seaman.

BURT, Robert F.
LTJG., USCG
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as electrical officer of a cargo ship from April to October 1945, during the assault and capture of Okinawa Gunto and the occupation of Japan. Although often subjected to determined enemy air attacks he displayed exceptional technical ability and courage supervising the repair and maintenance of all electrical equipment thereby greatly aiding in enabling the ship to be in a constant state of combat readiness.

CANKAR, Frank
LT, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For meritorious performance of duties while attached to the Staff of the Commander in Chief United States Pacific Fleet and Pacific Ocean Area during the period from January to September 1945. As a member of the Administration Division of the Staff, he was assigned to assist in the censorship of Coast Guard press material. During August he accompanied a B-29 bombing mission over the Tokyo area to censor an eye witness broadcast. He was an expert press censor and did an outstanding and conscientious job in his position.

GENAME, Fred J.
C.M. M. [Chief Machinist's Mate] , USCG
Commendation Ribbon



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For excellent service as a crew member of a cargo ship during the assault and capture of Okinawa Gunto and the during the assault and caption of Okinawa Gunto and the occupation of Japan from April to October 1945. With exceptional leadership and initiative while subjected to numerous determined enemy attacks, he ably assisted in the repair and maintenance of vital machinery, thereby enabling the ship to be maintained in a constant state of combat readiness.

POIS, Joseph
CAPT, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For outstanding performance of duty as Chief of the Administrative Management Division in the Office of the Commandant of the Coast Guard from May 1942 - October 1945. assigned to develop and head a staff in the immediately office of the Commandant to assist him in organizing the Coast Guard for its wartime program in coordinating the policies and programs of the Service, Captain Pois rendered invaluable service in carrying out all duties of this difficult assignment making many sound recommendations for improvement in every aspect of Coast Guard administration, reviewing and clearing all directives issued to the field and all correspondence from the signature of the Commandant, insuring the coordination of policies and programs at headquarters and acting as a key advisor to the Commandant on matters of policy as well as a administrative problems.

IOWA

McMANN, William W.
C.B.M. [Chief Boatswain's Mate], USCGR (t) [Temporary]
Treasury's Silver Lifesaving Medal

Foe bravery in rescuing 16 years old James Brady from drowning in the Mississippi River 20 May 1945. By the time McMann reached the overturned boat the boy was going down for the third time, so although he was not an expert swimmer he dived into the flooded Mississippi seized the boy and towed him to the boat where he was aided in lifted him aboard.

MULHERN, Raymond K.
B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as a member of an assault unit participating in the landing on Angaur, Palau Islands in September 1944, when in the face of enemy rifle machine gun and mortar fire he bravely prepared the way for the operations of combat troops contributing greatly to the success of this hazardous mission.



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KANSAS

MARTIN, Ralph Eugene
Sea. 2c [Seaman, Second Class], USCGR
Silver Star (posthumously)

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a member of a gun crew on the U.S.S. CALLAWAY in action against Japanese forces in the Pacific on 8 January 1945. Manning his station aggressively when the vessel was attacked by Japanese suicide plane, he unhesitatingly relinquished all chance of escape as the plane plunged toward the target and remaining steadfastly at his gun, continued to direct his fire with unrelenting fury upon the enemy until carried away with his weapon by the terrific impact. With indomitable fighting spirit and unyielding devotion to duty in the valiant defense of his ship he gallantly gave his life for his country.

MARYLAND

DILLON, Frederick P.
Commodore, USCG
Commendation Ribbon

For outstanding performance of duty as Chief of the Aids to navigation in the Office of Operations, from July 1942 to October 1945. Attaining a high level of efficiency in his command he carried out many special aids to navigation projects which were vital to the war effort including particularly the making of courses safe from the submarine menace the marking of swept channels, the establishment of protected anchorages the marking of ranges for degaussing and departing of merchant vessels the marking of channels around Japan incident to the occupation and the installation and operation of the LORAN system of aids to navigation which embraced almost the entire Pacific theater of operations as well as the North Atlantic.

CHALKER, Lloyd T.
RADM, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance outstanding service to the U.S. Government as Assistant Commandant of the Coast Guard from January 1942 - October 1945. As key advisor to the Commandant, he rendered invaluable assistance in meeting his unprecedented responsibilities incident to the rapid expansion and development of the Coast



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Guard as a potent fighting force. He has given immediate direction to the activities of Coast Guard headquarters, maintaining it is a high state of efficiency and assuming leadership in the formulation of major policies has successfully coordinated the activities of the Coast Guard districts. His ability as an organizer and administrator reflects much credit and was responsible in a large measure for the success of the wartime program of the Coast Guard.

JOHNSON, Harvey F.
RADM, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service to the U.S. Government as Engineer in Chief of the Coast Guard during the entire period of WWII. An astute and forceful administrator he organized and supervised a rigid program from the planning building and staffing of greatly expanded Coast Guard shore facilities both in combat areas and for the coastal defense of the United States and in addition developed aids to navigation including RACON stations and LORAN projects escort cutters and tender class vessel planes helicopters and numerous small craft used in port Security. As Chairman of the Merchant Marine Council and President of a Board of Investigation convened by the Secretary of the Navy to inquire into the design and construction of steel merchant vessels, he advised and guided the Merchant Marine and the Army Water Transportation Services in maintaining the safe and uninterrupted flow of enormous quantities of our nation's manpower and materials to the battlefronts of the world. By his brilliant direction of his command he contributed materially to the overall success of the Coast Guard program and to the prosecution of the war.

REED-HILL, Ellis
Commodore, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service to the government of the United States as Chief, Public Information Division, U.S. Coast Guard from August 1, 1940, to October 11, 1945. Building up and supervising a corps of trained experts he aided the wartime program of the Coast Guard by informing the public of its work, supplying quick release of information and photographs to news-disseminating agencies while keeping within the bounds of military security. Directing the staff at headquarters and throughout the districts during the pre-war emergency period and the wartime era, he aided the recruiting program in its 900% increase over pre-war status and through explanation and over effort in obtaining the cooperation of private individuals, organizations, maritime associations, underwriters and other groups, contributed materially to the success of the Port Security Program with its volunteer workers. Under his leadership and encouragement photographers, motion picture cameramen, combat correspondents and artists have acquainted the public with the Coast Guard and have recorded for history its wartime role.



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ROLLINS, Glenn L.
CDR, USCG
Treasury Gold Life Saving Medal

For heroic rescue service while attached to the cutter HAIDA as leader of a party of four men who saved the lives of 18 seaman stranded in Alaska near 60 north latitude in mid-winter of 1938. The rescue involved a grueling 25 mile trek over hazardous terrain, requiring three days and involving twice crossing two glacial rivers and a long jam, the second time with 18 exhausted men three of whom were over 70 and several of whom were in their 60's. through the confidence he inspired they were persuaded to approach the fast moving river and to be guided through it to start the return rescue trip. He spent almost half an hour in the most dangerous part of the stream, assisting the men across and when pull underwater by one of them managed to pull him ashore before both were swept over the nearby falls. Risking his own life time and again to save others he safely led them through another glacial river over the icy log jam and through the peril of night to rescue planes and boats.

MASSACHUSETTS

ANDERSON, Langford
LCDR, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while attached to the USCGC COMANCHE during the rescue of survivors of the torpedoed SS DORCHESTER in the North Atlantic on February 3, 1943. Observing that the survivors of the stricken vessel were floundering about in the near freezing waters and unable to climb aboard the rescuing ship he promptly went over the side to the aid of the shocked and helpless men. Working continuously and with doubtless courage despite the bitter gale and tempestuous seas, he inspired other to follow his gallant example and direction their combined efforts in the rescue of 93 survivors until he was assisted on board the COMANCHE in a state of exhaustion.

DIXON, John J.
CDR, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For outstanding performance of duty as Chief of the Photographic Section Coast Guard of Public information from April 1942 - October 1945. By recruiting trained photographic specialists and organizing a school train combat cameramen in profession technique and editorial requirement he developed a force of expert cameramen captain writers photo editors and laboratory experts who work under his encouragement and astute editorial palling has assured the Coast Guard of



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photographic representation far beyond that to be expected from a service twice its size. In the two books of Coast Guard photographs which he edited in the drawings and paintings executed by Coast Guard artists under his encouragement in the motion picture footage shot and released under his supervision and in the constantly growing systematically indexed library of still pictures at headquarters now available for use in technical studies and strategic reports or for incentive purposes he has preserved for posterity an outstanding documentary record of WWII. His foresight and perseverance were major factors in the consistently high quality of Coast Guard photographs throughout the war.

HOBBS, Robert K.

B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as a member of an assault unit participating in the landing on Angaur, Palau Islands, in September 1944, when in the face of enemy rifle, machine gun and mortar fire, he bravely prepared the way for the operations of combat troops and by his courageous devotion to duty contributed greatly to the success of the mission.

JOHNSON, Charles F.

B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCG
Silver Star

For gallantry and intrepidity in action as a member of a salvage boat crew attached to the USS CAVALIER while participating in assault landings against the enemy in Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. Facing intense enemy mortar fire he display exceptional courage skill initiative and devotion to duty while aiding in the salvage of numerous landing craft stranded on the beach. Disregarding his own safety and under continuous enemy fire, he unhesitatingly plunged onto the water and assisted in the rescue of a man who had been hurled over board by the explosion of an enemy shell.

KOBIALKA, Edmund R.

Machinist, USCG
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service on a cargo ship from April to October 1945, during the assault and capture of Okinawa Gunto and the occupation of Japan. Demonstrating exceptional mechanical ability and gallant leadership while often subjected to determined enemy air attacks, he ably supervised the repair and maintenance of the small boats, thereby greatly aiding in maintaining the ship in a constant state of combat readiness and contributing to the successful participation of the ship in these operations.



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MANEVITCH, Robert R.
Rdm. 3c [Radarman, Third Class], USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as crew member of a patrol craft on June 22, 1945, during the assault and capture of Okinawa. When ships in the area were attacked by enemy suicide planes on two different occasions he as radar operator displayed on two different occasion as radar operator display outstanding skill and initiative by correctly identifying the enemy planes and accurately reporting their positions. His excellent performance of duty wile endangered by the enemy air attacks contributed materially to the destruction of both attacking aircraft.

MUTRIE, Joseph A.
LCDR, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service against the enemy as Coast Guard Liaison Officer in the Public Information Section Administration Division attached to the Staff of the Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet and Pacific Ocean Area from December 1944, to September 1945. He displayed outstanding ability and imitative in administrating the collection and distribution of Coast Guard press copy and rendered valuable assistance to war correspondents covering Coast Guard activities. His keen insight unremitting industry and devotion to duty were material contributing factors toward the successful prosecution of the war in the Pacific.

PEARSON, Gustave W.
LCDR, USCG
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as Engineering Officer and Office in Charge of all fog generators on a ship from 1 April to 17 April 1945 during the amphibious assault and capture of Okinawa. Demonstrating thorough professional knowledge untiring diligence and loyal devotion to duty he carried out his regular duties with commendable efficiency and displayed unusual competence in organizing and supervising the use of fog generators with such effectiveness that his ship was constantly screened during the request enemy air attacks. Courageous and coolly resourceful under the most adverse combat conditions he was largely responsible for the continued safety of his ship throughout this amphibious operation.

SPERBER, Nathaniel H.
Warrant Officer, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For meritorious performance of duty on the Staff of the Commander in Chief, U.S. pacific Fleet and Pacific Ocean Areas, from January to August 1945. His outstanding ability and tireless



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efforts to secure news material from release to the public contributed materially to the efficient operations of the Public Information Office. He displayed great initiative and valuable service in carrying out his responsibilities during invasion periods.

TRESTER, Glenn E.
CDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For heroic and meritorious conduct as Executive Officer of the USS GALLAWAY during her action against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area on 8 January 1945. As a result of his leadership and organizational ability as well as his diligent personal training of the officers and men under his supervision his ship was able to complete her primary mission in the assault of Lingayen Gulf, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945.

TUCKER, Frank Allan
Coxswain, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as Coxswain of a landing boat in connection with operating against the enemy at Kwajalein Atoll, Marshall Island; Guam; Peleliu Island, Palau; and Leyte Island, Philippine Island, from 31 January to 20 October 1944. All of these operations were carried out against strong enemy opposition and often in the face of enemy mortar, artillery and machine gun fire. Despite these dangers he performed his duties with uniform efficiency and courage. During the Leyte assault when his boat was hit by shell fire he assisted in evacuating all personnel from the boat calmly and efficiently to a rescue boat under continuous enemy fire and applied first aid to Army personnel wounded by the explosion.

WALCOTT, Roger N.
LCDR, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as Engineering Officer of a cargo ship from April to October 1945, during the assault and capture of Okinawa Gunto and the occupation of Japan. With exceptional skill and initiative, he capably supervised the repairs and maintenance of the engineering plant under extremely adverse conditions of numerous determined enemy air attacks. Largely responsible for maintaining the ship in a constant state of combat readiness, he contributed materially to the success of these two operations.

MISSISSIPPI



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ARNOLD, Earlie D.
Mo.M.M. 3c [Motor Machinist's Mate], USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as a member of a patrol craft on June 22, 1945, during the assault and capture of Okinawa. When on two different occasions the ships in the area were attacked by enemy suicide planes he and trainer for an anti aircraft gun directed intense and accurate fire into the attacking aircraft. Although endangered by the attacks he displayed outstanding skill and courage, and contributed materially to the destruction of both planes.

MISSOURI

WILLIAMSON, Doyle V.
Coxswain, USCGR
Treasure Silver Lifesaving Medal

For heroism in rescuing a man from drowning in rough water about half a mile below the Guntersville Dam, Alabama on June 2, 1945. With a high wind making rescue conditions difficult he and other Coast Guardsmen had picked up two men from the water after their boat had capsized but the third man was too far gone to help himself so Williamson swam to the drowning man and kept him afloat about 10 minute until his shipmates could help him lift the man into the boat.

NEBRASKA

FRITCH, Rollin Arnold
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Silver Star (posthumously)

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a member of gun crew serving on board the USS CALLAWAY in action against the Japanese in Pacific waters on January 8, 1945. Manning his station aggressively when the vessel was attacked by a Japanese suicide plane, he unhesitatingly relinquished all chance of escape as the plane plunged toward the target and reaming steadfastly at his gun, continued to direct his fire with unrelenting fury upon the enemy until carried away with his weapon by the terrific impact. With indomitable fighting spirit and unyielding devotion to duty in the valiant defense of his ship he gallantly gave his life for his country.



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NEW JERSEY

WEISS, Daniel D.
C.S.M [Chief Signalman], USCG
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as a crew member of a cargo ship from April to October 1945, during the assault and capture of Okinawa Gunto and the occupation of Japan. Demonstrating outstanding ability and courage and although often subjected to determined enemy air attacks, he capable assisted in maintaining adequate and efficient visual communication throughout the entire period, thereby aiding the efficiency of the command and contributing materially to the successful completion of these operations.

NEW YORK

ANDERSON, Robert W.
LTJG, USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct while attached the USCGC COMANCHE during the rescue of survivors of the torpedoed S.S. DORCHESTER in the North Atlantic on February 3, 1943. Observing that survivors of the stricken vessel were floundering about in the near freezing water and unable to climb aboard the rescuing ship he unhesitatingly went over the side to the aid of the shocked and helpless men. Despite the bitter gale and tempestuous seas, he worked continuously and with dauntless courage until the rescue of 93 survivors was effected.

GLYNN, William M.
B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as a crew member of a cargo ship from April to October 1945, during the assault and capture of Okinawa Gunto and the occupation of Japan. With great courage and ability while often subjected to determined enemy air attacks he ably assisted in supervising the numerous duties of the deck force in loading and unloading vital supplies and equipment thereby enabling the ship to carry out its assigned duties in a highly efficient manner and contribute to the success of the operation.

GULIK, Merle A.
CAPT, USCGR
Legion of Merit



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For exceptionally meritorious service to the U.S. Government as Assistant Chief, Acting Chief and Chief of the Port Security Division at Coast Guard headquarters from July 28 1942 to November 1, 1945. Primarily responsible for the execution of major phases of the vital port security program he rendered inestimable assistance in safeguarding against destruction or damage all essential waterfront facilities and vessels in American ports, thereby insuring the safe passage of millions of men and countless tons of war materials without serious loss. He supervised the drafting of uniform regulations governing the security of vessels in port protection of waterfront facilities and provision of air raids and blackouts along our coasts. In addition he directed the explosive loading supervisory details dispatched to the European and Pacific theaters of war the Port security functions of the Coast Guard's volunteer Temporary Reserve units and the speedy demobilization of personnel under his command upon the termination of the war. His initiative judgment administrative ability and devotion to duty contributed to the effectiveness of the Coast Guard's port security activities and the safe and uninterrupted flow of out nation's manpower and war materials to the battlefronts of the world.

HUGHES, Charles J.
Sea. 1c, [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Silver Star (posthumously)

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a member of a gun crew on the U.S.S. CALLAWAY in action against Japanese forces in the Pacific on 8 January 1945. Manning his station aggressively when the vessel was attacked by Japanese suicide plane, he unhesitatingly relinquished all chance of escape as the plane plunged toward the target and remaining steadfastly at his gun, continued to direct his fire with unrelenting fury upon the enemy until carried away with his weapon by the terrific impact. With indomitable fighting spirit and unyielding devotion to duty in the valiant defense of his ship he gallantly gave his life for his country.

KELLER, William R.
C.Ph.M. [Chief Pharmacist's Mate], USCG
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroism in rescuing from drowning a combat equipped soldier who had fallen over board from his ship while debarking neat Okinawa on 9 April 1945. Under conditions of great personal danger from being crushed between a landing craft and the ship's side and with complete disregard for his own personal safety he unhesitatingly plunged into the sea and successfully assisted in keeping the helplessly encumbered man afloat until he could be brought aboard the ship. his alert decisiveness in taking this valiant action in large measure responsible for saving the life of the unfortunate soldier, and his heroic conduct performed in the face of great danger to himself was outstanding.



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LAWLER, J. J.
CDR, USCGR
Legion of Merit (also Italian award)

For exceptionally meritorious services in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from 17 October 1943 to 14 April 1945. As Currency and exchange Adviser to the Allied Commission and Joint Director of the Finance Sub-Commission he was responsible for the establishment of Italian collection the restoration of normal financial services and the enforcement of the Armistice terms with respect to the provision of prompt and adequate financing for supplies and services in connection with the Italian Government's contribution to the Allied war effort. As secretary to the Allied Anti Inflation Committee his activities were extremely valuable and contributed greatly toward control of expenditures and to the proper functioning of the Italian economy which has materially aided the Allied war effort. He displayed extraordinary resourcefulness and exceptional professional ability in his work.

LORENTZEN, Lawrence D.
S.C. 3c [Ship's Cook, Third Class], USCG
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as a member of a patrol craft on June 22, 1945, during the assault and capture of Okinawa. When on two different occasions, the ships in the area were attacked by enemy suicide planes, he as a gunner directed intense and accurate fire into the attacking aircraft. Although endangered by the attacks he displayed outstanding skill and courage and contributed to the destruction of both enemy planes.

LOWE, William Hilton
CAPT, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For outstanding performance of duty as Anchorage and ships Movement Officer of the Captain of the Port of New York during the years 1943, 1944 and 1945. Assuming these all important duties at a time when the African European campaigns were bringing an unprecedented shipping load to the Port of New York, he capably supervised the assignment and anchorages and the movements of all ships to from and within the port working in close cooperation with the Port Director, War Shipping Administration and various private shipping concerns. By his great initiative broad experience and zealous efforts he greatly facilitated ship movements in and out of the Port thus increasing the volume of shipping efficiently handled and aiding in the successful prosecution of the war.

LUMPKIN, John H.
LCDR, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon



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For outstanding performance of duty as a member of the Naval Clemency and Prison Inspection Board and Naval Policy Review Board for September 1, 1944 to September 1, 1945. Skilled and experienced in his essential work, he rendered invaluable service throughout this period in handling disciplinary matters and by his keen judgment and comprehensive understanding of the problems involved contributed immeasurably to the successful functioning of these two boards.

MacLANE, Gordon
CAPT, USCG
Commendation Ribbon

For meritorious performance of duty as District Coast Guard Officer of the 17th Naval District from February 17, 1944, to July 5 1945. Responsible for the security of Alaskan ports, the maintenance of a vital system of aids to navigation and the extension of that system to outlying areas as the activities of the Army and Navy moved westward. He supervised the installation and operation of high frequency direction finding nets to assist in rescue work and aerial navigation and the expansion of the LORAN system of navigational aids. With wise administration and foresighted policies, he contributed to the safety of surface [vessels] and aircraft in the difficult Aleutian Waters under wartime conditions.

NICHOLS, Rae F.
LT, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as Commanding Officer of a tank landing ship in February and March 1945, during the amphibious assault against Iwo Jima. With outstanding seamanship and ability he capably maneuvered his ship and despite heavy seas and enemy shore fire succeeded in landing vitally required troops and cargo onto the beaches while holding damage to his vessel to a minimum. Through his meritorious achievement and profound devotion to duty in the face of grave personal danger he contributed materially to the successful completion of this important operation.

ROARKE, Richard C.
Sp. 1c [Specialist, First Class], USCGR
Navy & Marine Corps Medal

For heroic conduct on the occasion of a fire at Pier #8, Newport News, Virginia on December 1944. Observing two men in a life boat which had been drawn under the fiercely burning pier by the violent winds and strong tide, he voluntarily plunged into the icy waters to attempt a rescue, continuing the valiant and determined efforts until forced back by the intense heat. He displayed splendid initiative, resolute fortitude and a gallant spirit of self-sacrifice on behalf of these in peril.



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ROULLET, Valeriano J.

B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCGR

Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as member of a patrol craft on June 22, 1945, during the assault and capture of Okinawa. When on two different occasions the ships in the area were attacked by enemy suicide planes, he as a gunner, directed intense and accurate fire into the attacking aircraft. Although endangered by the attacks he displayed outstanding skill and courage and contributed materially to the destruction of both planes.

SMEEDING, Edwin C. Jr.

B.M. 1c [Boatswain's Mate, First Class], USCG

Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as a crew member of cargo ship from April to October 1945, during the assault and capture of Okinawa Gunto and the occupation of Japan. With great courage and ability, while often subjected to determined enemy air attacks he ably assisted in supervising the numerous duties of the deck force in landing and unloading vital supplies and equipment thereby enabling the ship to carry out its assigned duties in a highly efficient manner, thereby contributing to the success of these important operations.

THORIGAL, Gordon P.

B.M. 2c [Boatswain's Mate, Second Class], USCGR

Bronze Star

For meritorious service in action during the period, 21 January 1945 to 21 February 1945, when he repeatedly volunteered for hazardous missions aimed at securing enemy intelligence, infiltrating and infiltrating espionage agents behind the enemy lines and conducting maritime reconnaissance of enemy-held areas, both as swimmer and by kayak. He displayed courage skill and devotion to duty.

YOST, William H.

CDR, USCGR

Commendation Ribbon

For meritorious service in operation against the enemy as Officer in Charge of the 28th Naval Construction Regiment and as Port Troop Commander of Guam from 29 June to 8 September 1945. By his skillful analysis of cargo operations and revision in procedures he was instrumental in materially reducing serious backlogs in shipping and the ship turn around at Guam. Through his further efforts as Port Troop Commander, he expedited the smooth movement of troops through Gum displaying leadership capacity for organization and devotion do duty.



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NORTH CAROLINA

FORD, Alexander L.
CAPT, USCG
Legion of Merit

For outstanding service as Commander, Escort Division 25. From April to September 1944, he engaged in escort duty and antisubmarine patrols in support of operations in Western New Guinea and in the Halmaheras. In addition he participated in the assault landings at Aitape, Humboldt Bay Tanamerah, Biak and Norotai. By his sound judgment able seamanship and professional skill he contributed materially to the success of the amphibious campaigns in the Southwest Pacific Area.

WINSLOW, James A.
C.M. M. [Chief Machinist's Mate] USCG
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as a crew member of a cargo ship from April to October 1945 during the assault and capture of Okinawa Gunto and the occupation of Japan. With exceptional leadership and initiative while subjected to numerous enemy attacks he ably assisted in the repair and maintenance maintained in a constant state of combat readiness.

OHIO

CENTOFANTI, Enio John
Sea. 1c [Seaman, First Class], USCGR
Silver Star (posthumously)

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a member of gun crew serving on board the USS CALLAWAY in action against the Japanese in Pacific waters on January 8, 1945. Manning his station aggressively when the vessel was attacked by a Japanese suicide plane he unhesitatingly relinquished all chance of escape as the plane plunged toward the target, and, remaining steadfastly at his gun, continued to direct his fire with unrelenting fury upon the enemy until carried away with his weapon by the terrific impact. With indomitable fighting spirit and unyielding devotion to duty, he gallantly gave his life for country.



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PENNSYLVANIA

AMBLER, George R., Jr.
LT, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious performance of duty as Commanding Officer USS LST 326 prior to during and after the invasion of Normandy, France on 6 June 1944. His tireless efforts and initiative were responsible for his ship's successful participation in the initial landing on Normandy and later in 16 cross channel trips transporting the necessary war materials and evacuating casualties and prisoners. He displayed outstanding leadership in maneuvering his ship through the narrow and heavily mined waters under the hazards of adverse weather, strong cross currents and the ever present danger from enemy attacks.

DRISCOLL, Thomas F.
R.M. 2c [Radioman, Second Class], USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as a member of a patrol craft on June 22, 1945, during the assault and capture of Okinawa. When on two different occasions the ships in the area were attacked by enemy suicide planes he as a gunner, directed intense and accurate fire into the attacking craft. Although endangered by the attacks, he displayed outstanding skill and courage, and contributed to the destruction of both planes.

GERCZAK, Joseph
S.M. 3c [Signalman, Third Class], USCGR
Silver Star (posthumously)

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving on board the USS LST 66 during the initial assault against the enemy Japanese-held Borgen Bay Area of New Britain on December 26, 1943. When seven Japanese dive bombers suddenly attacked while his ship was in the bay awaiting the formation of the task unit then on the beach unloading cargo, he immediately manned his battle station and was the first to open fire when the planes came in and struck from starboard, poured his drums of ammunition into the attackers with unrelenting fury, blasting two from the sky and into the sea near his vessel. With his ship struck by bomb fragments each bursting successively closer, he dauntlessly continued delivering a steady stream of bullets against the enemy until he was fatally struck down when a violent blast silenced his weapon and forced shrapnel into his gun shield. By his expert marksmanship, unwavering perseverance and cool courage in the face of tremendous odds, he contributed materially to the success of this as well as previous assault and reinforcement landings in the New Guinea Campaign, and his constant devotion to duty throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country.



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MAUERMAN, Raymond J.
CAPT, USCG
Bronze Star (two other awards)

For outstanding services as Commanding Officer of the USS JOSEPH T. DICKMAN prior to and during the amphibious invasion of Normandy in June 1944. As Commanding Officer of an assault transport assigned to Invasion Task Force "U", by his unremitting efforts in the training and indoctrination of landing craft crews preparatory to the assault and his high degree of professional skill and outstanding leadership throughout the operation, he contributed materially to the success of the invasion.

OWENS, Thomas Elbert
CAPT, USCG
Bronze Star (posthumously)

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a member of a gun crew serving on board the USS CALLAWAY in action against enemy Japanese forces in the Pacific on January 8, 1945. Manning his station aggressively when the vessel was attacked by a Japanese suicide plane, he unhesitatingly relinquished all chance of escape as the plane plunged toward the target and, remaining steadfastly at his gun continued to direct his fire with unrelenting fury upon to enemy until carried away with his weapon by the terrific impact. With indomitable fighting spirit and unyielding devotion to duty in the valiant defense of his ship, he gallantly gave his life for his country.

RHODE ISLAND

WILKIE, Leland O.
LT, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service in rescuing HMAS COLAC, badly damaged by enemy gunfire in Choiseul Bay, from 26 May to 30 May 1945 while serving as Commanding Officer of Army FS-180. His skilful direction and completion of a difficult tow in heavy seas were outstanding.

TEXAS



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KING, SAM W.
Coxswain, USCG
Silver Star (posthumously)

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a member of a gun crew serving on board the USS CALLAWAY in action against enemy Japanese forces in the Pacific on January 8, 1945. Manning his station aggressively when the vessel was attacked by a Japanese suicide plane, he unhesitatingly relinquished all chance of escape as the plane plunged toward the target and remaining steadfast at his gun, continued to direct his fire with unrelenting fury upon the enemy until carried away with his weapon by the terrific impact. With indomitable fighting spirit and unyielding devotion to duty in the valiant defense of his ship he gallantly gave his life for his country.

MELTON, Earl
M. M. 2c [Machinist's Mate, Second Class], USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as a member of a patrol craft on June 22, 1945 during the assault and capture of Okinawa. When on two different occasions the ships in the area were attacked by enemy suicide planes he as a pointer for an anti-aircraft gun directed intense and accurate fire into the attacking aircraft. Although endangered by the attacks he displayed outstanding skill and courage contributing much to the destruction of both planes.

NELSON, Foster O. W., Jr.
LTJG, USCGR
Bronze Star

For distinguishing himself by meritorious service as Commanding Officer of the U.S. Army LT-652 on 1-2 September 1945, in the South Pacific area. While enroute from Manila, Luzon, Philippine Islands to Okinawa, his vessel became confronted with winds of typhoon intensity and heavy seas. By skillfully maneuvering his ship and displaying excellent seamanship he brought his ship and two barges in tow, together with all personnel safely to port.

VIRGINIA

FULCHER, William U.
LT, USCG
Bronze Star



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For meritorious service against the enemy while serving as the Commanding Officer of the USCGC TUPELO from July , 1944 to September 1945. Arriving at Guam while assault operations were still in progress he displayed a high degree of professional skill and initiative in directing his vessel in the installation of urgently required heavy ship moorings and navigational aids in the harbors of the Marianas Islands, particularly Apra Harbor, Guam there by greatly expediting and increasing the usefulness of harbors and anchorages essential to the success of Naval operations based upon those areas. His sound judgment untiring efforts and steadfast devotion to duty were outstanding contributions to the prompt development and utilization of these anchorages.

JEWELL, Henry T.
CAPT, USCG
Commendation Ribbon

For outstanding performance of duty in making a special investigation concerning pilotage procedures and while serving as Chief of Merchant Marine personnel Division at Coast Guard headquarters from August 1942 to February 1944. After completing a study of the problems of pilotage in all coastal and interior waters of the continental United States, he made recommendations for appropriate regulations to control the piloting of vessels the fixing of uniform rates and the handling of all other matters necessary for an efficient pilotage procedure which when put into action greatly facilitated the uninterrupted movement of vessels in waters where coastal or state pilots were required. Selected as Chief of the newly created Merchant Marine Personnel Division with administrative cognizance over the licensing, certificating, discipline, shipment, discharge, records and welfare of merchant seaman he put into effect changes in regulation in field operations and in the training of the Coast Guard officers to insure a more effective discharge of the Coast Guard responsibilities toward merchant marine personnel. Through his contribution to the safe movement of merchant marine vessels he aided in the successful prosecution of the war.

PARK, Charles A.
RADM, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious performance of outstanding services to the U.S. government as Chief Operations Officer of the Coast Guard from July 1942 to October 1945. A leader of great administrative ability he skillfully coordinated the work of the various divisions of the Officer of Operations so that the requirement for aids to navigation, beach patrol, communications, port security, inspection of merchant marine vessels and regulation of merchant marine personnel were developed to provide maximum assistance and benefit to the Allied military forces and protecting the civil lives and property in the United States ports. By his forceful direction and careful supervision of his command he contributed materially to the brilliant achievements of the Coast Guard and to the successful prosecution of the war.



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RICHMOND, Alfred C.
CAPT, USCG
Bronze Star

For outstanding service to the U.S. government, as Senior Coast Guard Officer on the staff of Commander, U.S. Naval Forces in Europe, with outstanding zeal he assisted materially in the organization of the Coast Guard forces under his command and in the preparation of those forces for the most important tasks which they performed during and after the invasion of France in June 1944. Moreover his consistent good judgment and tact in the administration of matters of discipline affecting merchant seamen in this theater have contributed substantially toward the solution of a serious problem affecting the movement of supplies to France in support of the armies.

Croix de Guerre with Palm

For exceptional wartime service rendered during the course of operations for the liberation of France.

WASHINGTON

BRADBURY, Harold G.
CAPT, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as Senior Coast Guard Officer Merchant Marine Detail, Southwest Pacific area from October 1943 to 17 January 1945. By his initiative and administrative ability he rendered invaluable service to the United States Navy in adjusting difficulties involving Merchant Marine vessels and naval ships and stations. He also greatly assisted the Commander Service Force, Seventh Fleet on matters of the logistics and other administrative functions performed for the Coast Guard.

BROWN, Eugene I.
LT, USCG
Treasury Silver Lifesaving Medal

For heroic rescue service in party of four men who saved the lives of 18 seaman in Alaska near 60 north latitude in mid winter of 1932. The 3 day rescue operation involved a 25 mile trek over hazardous terrain twice crossing two glacial rivers and a log jam the second time with 18 men, three of whom were over 70 and several of whom were in their 60's. Although freezing weather wet clothing and the ordeal they had gone through stopped several of the rescue party he was one



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of the four who volunteered to go on risking their lives time and again until the hazardous mission was accomplished and the men saved.

POLLOCK, Augustus
LT, USCGR
Bronze Star

For meritorious service as Commanding Officer of a Tank Loading Ship operating against enemy Japanese forces in the Solomon Islands, from July 1943 to May 1944. Courageous and determined in the face of formidable opposition he repeatedly navigated his ship through treacherous waters to unload equipment on newly established beachheads and proceeding fearlessly despite the severity of several bombing attacks brought his vessel through with minimum damage and effected the delivery of numerous vital supplies.

SIAS, Howard Morton
LCDR, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious service against the enemy as Logistics and Supply Officer on the staff of an Amphibious Force Commander from December 25, 1944 to September 25, 1945. he rendered forceful assistance in procuring equipment and supplies and in the preparation and execution of planes for loading and unloading material and personnel for assault operations. He demonstrated exceptional ability and initiative in providing for fueling provisioning and servicing of ships assigned to the force. By his tireless efforts and constant devotion to duty he contributed materially to the success of operation for the assault and capture of Iwo Jima and Okinawa Bunto and for the occupation of Japanese homeland.

BERNARD, Lawrence J.
CAPT, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For outstanding performance of duty as Special Assistant to the Commandant of the Coast Guard from November 1942 to October 1945. Displaying keen administrative ability and diligence in executing many difficult assignments of diverse character he rendered invaluable service as advisor and special representative of the Commandant with respect to complex activities of the Coast Guard during WWII involving Merchant Marine personnel maritime labor and the river and inland water traffic which were essential factors in providing a steady stream of war supplies to our fighting fronts and to our allies. In addition he aided and counseled the Commandant in shaping and correlating various policies and procedures and in securing the cooperation of industry labor and other government departments. His conscientious devotion to each vital task was an important factor in the successful discharge by the Coast Guard of many of its wartime duties.



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GORMAN, Frank J.
RADM, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious performance of outstanding services to the U.S. Government as Chief Finance Officer for the Coast Guard from the beginning of the emergency to March 1943 and as Chief Finance and Supply Officer from March 1943 to June 1945. Exercising organization skill keen judgment and technical ability he has ably discharge his duties in the formulation of the financial requirements for the Coast Guard and their presentation to the Budget Bureau and the Congress; in the supplying of clothing, commissary goods and general materials to Coast Guard units throughout the United States and overseas and to vessels afloat in the dispersing of funds to service personnel and in payment of obligations; and in the selection training and assignment of finance and supply personnel for the Coast Guard. Of inestimable assistance as special advisor to the Commandant on matters or organization, legislation and administrative policy he devised the plan followed for the orderly demobilization of his branch of the service from war to peacetime status. By his devotion to duty he has made substantial contribution to the wartime accomplishments of the Coast Guard.

HARRISON, Kenneth S.
CAPT, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For outstanding performance of duty as Chief Counsel of the Coast Guard for more than three years sine May 1942. Responsible for many complex legal maters arising from the unprecedented expansion of the Service, he supervised extensive legal work concerning emergency legislation and Executive Orders affecting the Coast Guard and as a measure to expedite legal activities in the field established and directed a series of law offices in the fifteen Coast Guard District. In addition he aided in administering military justice counseled the Commandant on various question of law and handled the legal problems caused by the Coast Guard assumption of the functions of the Marine Inspection and Navigation Bureau. He contributed material to the war effort by his diligence great professional ability and devotion to the fulfillment of an important assignment.

KENNER, Frank T.
CAPT, USCG
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious performance of outstanding service in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands from 17 June 1944 to 6 April 1945. As Commander of the Coast Guard Army Manning Detachments he was responsible for manning and operating more than two hundred Army vessels for controlling the administrative problems of the large number of personnel involved for repairing and maintaining these ships and for rendering reports to the Commanding



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General, U.S. Army Services of Supply on all phases of the detachments activities. In the exercise of these duties by establishing and maintaining close liaison with transportation officers at base port commands and base sections he assured the operation of Army vessels with maximum effectiveness. Through his capable direction and sound judgment he achieved and outstanding record for ship operations in this theater and contributed materially to operations against the enemy.

LANK, Rutherford B., Jr.
CAPT, USCG
Commendation Ribbon

For outstanding performance of duty as Chief of the Construction and Repair Division from December 7, 1941 to April 15, 1943 and as Assistant Chief Naval Engineering Division Officer of Engineering U.S. Coast Guard from April 15, 1943 to October 1945. Exercising consistent skill and judgment throughout this time he capably supervised the planning and construction over 2,500 Coast Guard cutters buoys, tenders, ice breakers, ice plows, dry docks, and miscellaneous vessels of all types and sizes, many of which were used in convoy duty and as auxiliary vessel with naval forces on the various war fronts. His expert professional ability and splendid record of achievement contributed materially to the prosecution of the war.

MERCEY, Arch A.
CDR, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For outstanding performance of duty as Assistant Chief Public Information, U.S. Coast Guard. Displaying resourceful initiative and superior professional ability he rendered invaluable service all matter of divisional administration and in determining the public information policy. Developing, planning, directing and coordinating the Coast Guard program of public relations and public information he originated and supervised liaison research activities of value for specialized publications and for various media publicizing Coast Guard and Naval activities. Through his knowledge of government administrative procedures, organization and personnel he served as special liaison representative to other government and public agencies alternating with the chief Public Information Division, as navy Coast Guard member of the Interdepartmental Committee on Scientific and Cultural Cooperation of the State Department. He planned and performed extensive research on the anthology of Coast Guard writing and by his knowledge of the professional motion picture business and personal acquaintance with its leading figures, provide the channel of 16,500 theatrical motion picture exhibitors for the Coast Guard, developing special study guides for use with Coast Guard motion pictures and initiating a series of Fact Books to disseminate knowledge of the service. His competent leadership, dependability and devotion to a vital assignment were contributing factors in the successful prosecution of the war.



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MERRILL, Robert T.
CAPT, USCGR
Commendation Ribbon

For outstanding performance of duty as Special Assistant to the Commandant of the Coast Guard from April 1942 to October 1945. Employing professional knowledge and sound judgment he assisted the Commandant in shaping procedures and solving complex problems between the maritime industry and the government departments which resulted in the effective working relationship between the Merchant Marine and the Coast Guard and contributed materially to the successful prosecution of the war. By his administrative ability and devotion to duty, he did much to lighten the burdens of the Commandant.

WEBSTER, Edward M.
Commodore, USCG (ret.)
Legion of Merit

For exceptionally meritorious performances of outstanding services to the U.S. government as Chief Communication Division Office of Operations, U.S. Coast Guard from June 1 1942 to October 25, 1945. Successfully organizing and expanding a marine safety and distress communications system he was instrumental in establishing a radio and landline communication network along the entire coastline of the U.S. a network which operated in conjunction with coastal picket enclose proximity to oust shores. In addition he ably served in various capacities on many government committees of wartime important, performing function where his leadership, experience and knowledge of domestic and international communications and interdepartmental relations were of inestimable value. A capable supervisor and leader he contributed materially to the war effort by insuring the protection our coasts and allied ships and aircraft by coordinating the non military communication facilities and the industrial communications of the country with those of the military and by collecting and evaluating enemy information.

WISCONSIN

DEAN, Charles Walter
CAPT, USCG
Bronze Star

For meritorious achievement as Commanding Officer of a ship from November 10, 1943 to June 29, 1945, during the assault of Majoro, Eniwetok, Saipan, Tinian, Leyte, Luzon and Okinawa Shima. By his initiative perseverance and outstanding professional skill, he despite frequent fire and air attacks caused his ship to successfully unload troops and vital supplies on the assault



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beaches. Through his courage and conspicuous devotion to duty he contributed immeasurable to the successful participation of his ship in these assault operations.

FRYE, Lowell B.

LTJG USCGR

Commendation Ribbon

For excellent service as Engineering Officer of a ship on April 1, 1945 during the amphibious assault against Okinawa Shima. When the ship was struck and severely damaged by enemy air attack and after having abandoned ship he courageously and voluntarily returned aboard to assist in fire fighting and damage control. Through his perseverance, resourcefulness and profound devotion to duty, while in gave personal danger, he aided materially in saving the ship and brining it safely into port.
