

VALOR OF ORION

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1917 - 1919

Dickebush Sector

Mount Kemmel

Vierstraat Ridge

East Poperinghe Line

Hindenburg Line

LaSelle River St. Souplet

Meuse-Argonne St. Mihiel



1940- 1945

Makin

Majuro

Eniwetok

Saipan

Okinawa

2001 - Present

Noble Eagle

Iraqi Freedom

Enduring Freedom,

(Afghanistan)

Distinguished Service Cross

107th Infantry Regiment



The Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to a person who, while serving in any capacity with the Army (or in the Air Force, before 1960), distinguishes themselves by extraordinary heroism not justifying the award of a Medal of Honor; while engaged in an action against an enemy of the United States; while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an opposing/foreign force; or while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in an armed conflict against an opposing armed force in which the United States is not a belligerent party. The act or acts of heroism must have been so notable and have involved risk of life so extraordinary as to set the individual apart from their comrades.

The 107th Infantry regiment amassed a total of 95 Distinguished Service Crosses during World War One. The first battalion had the lion's share with 38 in total. The second and third battalions had 13 and 24 respectively. By far the most violent day of the war was 29 September 1918, during which 67 of these citations are focused on.

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From the Editor,

Last year I inaugurated a new document series with the “Orion In Memoriam” publications, volumes I through VI. This year, I have focused on the acts of valor by members of the 27th Division in the two World Wars. This series will consist of volumes for each of the infantry regiments and then the remaining units.

I will be posting these documents on the website in the newly created “Hall of Valor” subpage (<https://27thdivisionassociation.com/history-of-the-27th/hall-of-valor/>) which is part of the “History of the 27th” main page (<https://27thdivisionassociation.com/history-of-the-27th/>). The Hall of Valor already hosts the citations of all the Medal of Honor recipients of the 27th from both World Wars.

I will also try to document as many of the Silver Star recipients as possible, but I have yet to explore that project fully. As I note on the cover page, the Silver Star medal was created by Congress well after the First World War and in World War Two this medal was awarded in lieu of a Distinguished Service Cross in many instances.

I hope that you the reader get a sense of history as you review these citations and become familiar with the place names and dates. They certainly helped me put the major actions of the 27th into the context of each war. I have also discovered that the gravesites of several of these personnel are within a short driving distance from my home in Western New York. I plan to visit them when I can.

Sincerely,

Paul E. Hujer

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WORLD WAR ONE



ADREAN, CHARLES H. (P)

First Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company A, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Charles H. Adrean, First Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action east of Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. While commanding part of his company, First Sergeant Adrean was wounded in the head, but continued to direct his men, reorganizing a detachment of soldiers and establishing a line of defense in a trench. Later, while going to the assistance of some members of his command who had pushed far to the front, he was again hit in the shoulder and severely wounded. His heroic and voluntary disregard of self in order to save his comrades set a splendid example to all ranks. He has since died of the wounds received in this action.

General Orders No. 16, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Utica, NY

ADSIT, HENRY

Captain, U.S. Army

Machine-Gun Company, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Henry Adsit, Captain, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Le Catelet, France, September 29, 1918. While leading a platoon of heavy machine guns through a smoke screen and under terrific fire, Captain Adsit suddenly became pocketed in the midst of the enemy machine-gun strongholds. He personally went forward and, with the aid of bombs and the effective use of his pistol, made possible the holding of the position until a defense was organized.

General Orders No. 37, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Buffalo, NY

AFFATATO, EPIFANIO

Private, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

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Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Epifanio Affatato, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. After being severely wounded by flying shrapnel, Private Affatato took shelter in a shell hole somewhat in advance of his company, from which he had become separated in the fog and smoke.

He saved the lives of four of his wounded comrades who were occupying the shell hole by throwing live grenades, which had been tossed into the shell hole by members of his own company in the rear, into the enemy's lines.

General Orders No. 46, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Brooklyn, NY

ANDREWS, WALTER GRESHAM

Captain, U.S. Army

107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29 - 30, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Walter Gresham Andrews, Captain, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Vendhuile, France, September 29 - 30, 1918. Although severely wounded in the arm on the morning of September 29, Captain Andrews gallantly led his company throughout the attack on the Hindenburg line. After the advance he made a personal reconnaissance under heavy shell and machine-gun fire and organized a section of a trench within 20 yards of the enemy line. This position was held against enemy grenade and machine-gun fire until his company was relieved on the afternoon of September 30.

General Orders No. 72, W.D., 1920

Home Town: Buffalo, NY

BANISTER, MORRIS A.

Private First Class, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: August 17, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Morris A. Banister, Private First Class, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Mount Kemmel, Belgium, on the night of August 17, 1918. While engaged with a working party in the repair of the communicating trenches, Private First Class Banister voluntarily went to the rescue of a British ration party which had been struck by a high-explosive shell. Under concentrated machine-gun and rifle fire and continuous shell fire he assisted in carrying the British wounded for a distance of 125 yards while fully exposed to enemy fire and utterly without regard for his own safety.

General Orders No. 9, W.D., 1923

Home Town: Watertown, NY

BAXTER, GEORGE K.

Private First Class, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry 27th Division

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to George K. Baxter, Private First Class, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Private Baxter was a scout for a Lewis gun squad during the attack. After all members of his squad, except the corporal, had been killed he ran over 30 yards, picked up the Lewis gun, and opened fire on a group of 20 of the enemy who were attempting to turn the flank of the platoon. He was exposed to heavy machine-gun fire, but his own fire was so effective that his unit was able to continue the advance.

General Orders No. 16, W.D., 1920

Home Town: Watertown, NY

BEAN, FRANCIS A.

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company A, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: October 18, 1918

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Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Francis A. Bean, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near St. Souplet, France, October 18, 1918. His company having been stopped by heavy enemy machine-gun fire, Sergeant Bean and two other soldiers worked their way into the enemy position, putting out of action two hostile machine guns. They then proceeded toward a dugout nearby under heavy fire and, upon encountering a German in the act of throwing a grenade at them, Sergeant Bean shot him. Reaching the entrance to the dugout, they forced the surrender of the occupants, who numbered thirty-five, including three officers.

General Orders 70, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Utica, NY

BINGHAM, JOHN P.

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company D, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to John P. Bingham, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. During the operations against the Hindenburg line Corporal Bingham left shelter and went forward, crawling on his hands and knees under heavy machine-gun fire to the aid of a wounded officer and a wounded soldier. With the assistance of another soldier he succeeded in dragging and carrying them back to the shelter of a trench.

General Orders No. 20, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY

BORETZ, HARRY

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company H, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: October 18, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Harry Boretz, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action at Arbre Guernon, Belgium, October 18, 1918. Although severely wounded and ordered to dressing station, Corporal Boretz returned to the front lines, rejoined his company and voluntarily joined a patrol which attacked and routed enemy machine-gun crews. The officer in command of the patrol having been killed, corporal Boretz assumed command thereof and directed the capture of an enemy machine-gun crew of four men.

General Orders No. No. 16, W.D., 1923

Home Town: New York, NY



Somme American Cemetery and Memorial

BOWLES, WHITNEY (P)

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company L, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Whitney Bowles, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Le Catelet, France, September 29, 1918. After the advance had ceased Sergeant Bowles exposed himself to intense machine-gun fire in order to place the remains of his platoon in shell holes, and organize his platoon for defense.

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Later learning that an officer of another company lay severely wounded a short distance in front of our lines, Sergeant Bowles unhesitatingly advanced into heavy machine-gun fire toward the officer to rescue him. He was killed while attempting the rescue.

General Orders No. 16, W.D., 1920

Home Town: Forest Hills, NY



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BROWN, FREDERICK H., JR. (P)

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company I, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Frederick H. Brown, Jr., Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. On two occasions Sergeant Brown averted heavy casualties in his platoon by going forward and, single handed, destroying machine-gun nests with hand grenades. At the time of his death, Sergeant Brown had brought his platoon to the farthest point of advance.

General Orders No. 32, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Englewood, NJ



Riverside Cemetery

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BROWN, HARRY A. (P)

Private First Class, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Harry A. Brown, Private First Class, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Private First Class Brown voluntarily assisted in putting out of action an enemy pyrotechnic expert whose activities were hampering and disclosing the position of the company about to assault the enemy lines. This act was performed with utter disregard of personal danger in the face of intense machine-gun and rifle fire and necessitated crawling over rough and broken terrain under observation of enemy machine gunners and snipers. His courageous action doubtless saved his company heavy losses and greatly strengthened the morale of his organization. *[The Soldier later died on 21 October, 1918.]*

General Orders No. 9, W.D., 1923

Home Town: Watertown, NY

BROWN, RUSSELL A.

Private First Class, U.S. Army

Company A, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: October 18, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Russell A. Brown, Private First Class, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near St. Souplet, France, October 18, 1918. When the advance of his battalion was checked by heavy machine-gun fire, Private Brown, with two other soldiers, went forward under heavy fire to reconnoiter the enemy positions. By effective rifle fire, they drove the gunners from two machine-gun nests into a dugout nearby, which they captured, together with 35 prisoners, including three officers.

General Orders 87, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Morristown, NJ

BUELL, RALPH POLK

First Lieutenant, U.S. Army

107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Ralph Polk Buell, First Lieutenant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action in an attack on Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Lieutenant Buell led his company in attack exposed to heavy artillery fire. When confronted by a strong enemy machine gun position, firing point-blank on his advancing unit, he led the dash which resulted in the capture of the trench. He fell wounded 30 yards in advance of his men.

General Orders No. No. 16, W.D., 1920

Home Town: Bayside, NY

BYRNS, ROBERT A.

First Lieutenant, U.S. Army

107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Robert A. Byrns, First Lieutenant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Venduil, France, September 29, 1918. Lieutenant Byrns, although himself wounded, reorganized his company after the captain was killed and led it forward in the face of intense machine-gun fire until he was wounded a second time. His splendid courage and gallant conduct set an inspiring example to all ranks.

General Orders No. 20, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Staten Island, NY

CARGIN, GEORGE I.

Private, U.S. Army

Company D, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

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Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to George I. Cargin, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. During the operations against the Hindenburg line, Private Cargin, with four other soldiers, left shelter and went forward into an open field, under heavy shell and machine-gun fire, and succeeded in bandaging and carrying back to our lines two wounded comrades.

General Orders No. 20, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Stalker, PA

CATHCART, WILBUR

Private First Class, U.S. Army

Company L, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: August 22, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Wilbur Cathcart, Private First Class, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Lake Dickebusch, Belgium, August 22, 1918. All wire communications between Company L and battalion headquarters having been destroyed by shell fire, Private Cathcart voluntarily and with utter disregard for his personal safety carried an important message to his battalion command through terrific machine-gun and artillery fire and under observation of the enemy. His hazardous mission successfully accomplished, he returned through terrific machine-gun fire to his company, his conduct having been a splendid example of bravery and devotion to the men of his company.

General Orders No. 9, W.D., 1923

Home Town: Elmhurst, NY

CLARKE, GEORGE

Private, U.S. Army

Sanitary Detachment, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to George Clarke, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action east of Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Private Clarke displayed great gallantry and bravery in the treatment and evacuation of the wounded. While advancing with his company to the forward unit of his command, a most exposed position, he saw a British tank emerge from a smoke screen, heading straight for a small hole in which a group of 14 wounded men were seeking shelter. Private Clarke endeavored to attract the attention of the crew of the tank but failing to do so he disregarded his own personal danger by assisting the wailing wounded and dragging the more seriously wounded men to a place of safety. His gallantry and fearlessness on this occasion undoubtedly saved the lives of many of these men.

General Orders No. No. 6, W.D., 1930

Home Town: Brooklyn, NY

CLEVERLY, IRVING N.

Private, U.S. Army

Sanitary Detachment, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 28, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Irving N. Cleverly, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 28, 1918. Private Cleverly voluntarily accompanied Sergeants John W. Schwengler and Harry W. Green, 107th Infantry, advanced 250 yards in front of the company's position in the face of intense enemy machine-gun fire at short range, rescued a badly wounded soldier who had lain exposed to this fire for 24 hours, carried the wounded man back to comparative shelter, and dressed his wounds, undoubtedly saving the life of the wounded man. This gallant and heroic act was an object lesson of soldierly conduct and greatly inspired the men of the 107th Infantry.

General Orders No. No. 15, W.D., 1923

Home Town: Brooklyn, NY

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Home Town: New York, NY

COLLINS, PETER, JR. (P)

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company D, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Peter Collins, Jr., Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. When his platoon was checked at the wire in front of a strongly manned enemy trench, acting on his own initiative, Corporal Collins led his Lewis-gun squad around the left flank of the platoon under terrific hand grenade, rifle, and machine-gun fire from the enemy. Leading his squad, he jumped into a German trench and, with his Lewis -gun, inflicted heavy casualties, silenced an enemy machine gun, and compelled many of the enemy to surrender. Then, by his rifle fire, he prevented the enemy from advancing in the trench from the left. While in the act of mopping up this trench, Corporal Collins was killed.

General Orders No. No. 49, W.D., 1922

Home Town: Mount Vernon, NY

COPELAND, FRANCIS T.

Mechanic, U.S. Army

Company B, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Francis T. Copeland, Mechanic, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Mechanic Copeland, with a companion, left the protection of a trench, and in the face of heavy machine-gun and grenade fire went in advance of our lines to rescue a wounded comrade. They were exposed to heavy fire from the time they left the trench. Mechanic Copeland's companion was killed as they were returning to the trench, but he, however, struggled on and succeeded in dragging the wounded man to safety.

General Orders No. No. 19, W.D., 1920



Somme American Cemetery and Memorial

CROSBIE, SAMUEL F. (P)

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Samuel F. Crosbie, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. After his company had passed the first and second lines of the enemy's resistance and when all his company officers and sergeants senior to him had been killed, Sergeant Crosbie, while under a heavy hostile machine-gun fire, which was sweeping his company's position at short range, voluntarily moved from shell hole to shell hole, reorganized a portion of the company, and was killed as he was about to lead the line forward.

General Orders No. No. 49, W.D., 1922

Home Town: Malone, NY

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CROWLEY, JOHN J. (P)

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company M, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

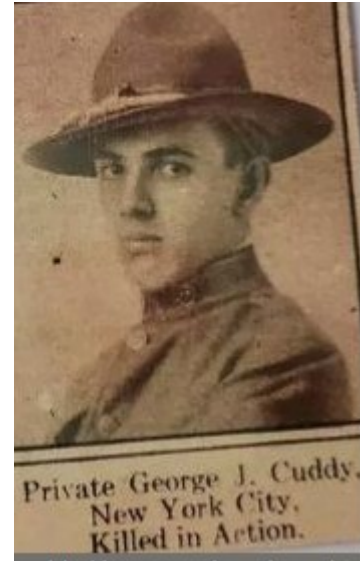
Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to John J. Crowley, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. When the advance of his platoon was checked by perilously heavy machine-gun fire, from the direct front, Sergeant Crowley, after ordering his men to cover, advanced alone and bombed the gun out of action. After successfully leading his platoon to one of the furthestmost points of the advance, he was killed.

General Orders No. 37, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Mohawk, NY



Somme American Cemetery and Memorial

CUDDY, GEORGE J. (P)

Private, U.S. Army

Company F, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to George J. Cuddy, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Shot through both cheeks and the throat, Private Cuddy refused to be evacuated, and continued to advance through intense machine-gun fire. Later he fell, mortally wounded by a third bullet.

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His heroic conduct was an inspiration to those near him.

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Home Town: New York, NY

CUTLER, MERRITT D.

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company I, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Merritt D. Cutler, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Although suffering from wounds, Corporal Cutler went forth under treacherous enemy fire and dragged two wounded comrades to safety. Later the same day he organized a stretcher party and brought in three wounded comrades under machine-gun fire, which was so severe that it had stopped the advance of neighboring troops.

General Orders No. 32, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Freeport, NY

Company I, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to William Dausch, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. During operations against the Hindenburg line, Sergeant Dausch rendered valuable assistance and demonstrated rare courage in attacking and destroying two enemy machine-gun nests by the accurate fire of his rifle. Even, after being mortally wounded in the head, he continued in the combat until he collapsed.

General Orders No. 32, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY



Old Dutch Burial Ground

DEAN, THOMAS GAUDINIER, JR.

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company D, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Thomas G. Dean, Jr., Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. During the operations against the Hindenburg line Corporal Dean, with four other soldiers, left shelter and went forward into an open field under heavy shell and machine-gun fire, and succeeded in bandaging and carrying back to our lines two wounded men.

General Orders No. 20, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY



Woodlawn Cemetery

DAUSCH, WILLIAM GEORGE (P)

Sergeant, U.S. Army

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[The following is a post-script on the life and end of Thomas Gaudinier, taken from a newspaper article found online.]

- holder of medals from three nations for bravery in World War I
- had given up an important executive position in the real estate field in Manhattan to see action in World War II
- emerged from World War I as a sergeant with the Croix de Guerre and the British Military Medal, in addition to the D.S.C.
- past vice-commander of the 107th Infantry Post, American Legion
- member of the Forty and Eight and the D Company Veterans
- commissioned in the Army on May 14 and assigned to the Military Police Corps
- prior to WWI, had served on the Mexican Border with the 7th Regiment, which later became the 107th Infantry
- great-great-grandfather was in command of the detail that captured Major Andre in the Revolutionary War and was responsible for Major Andre from the time three of his men captured the spy until his delivery to Colonel Jamieson near Peekskill, served through the Revolution and was twice wounded, was captured and exchanged. A monument for the patriot who captured the British spy stands on Broadway in Tarrytown & also served in the War of 1812. He was one of the famous Westchester County Guides
- shot himself fatally Saturday on Pier 90, North River, where he was on military duty. At 8:10 A.M. Saturday he was alone in a washroom on the Cunard White Star pier at 50th Street, New York City. Members of his outfit, Company B of the 714th Military Police Battalion, heard a shot. They found him dead, his service revolver beside him
- fellow officers said he had been despondent and appeared ill-at-ease since his return to the Army; advancing age and apparent inability to grasp his new Army duties were thought to be contributing factors.
- his death ends the male line of descendants of Thomas Dean, one of the 100 volunteers from New York, who in 1758, aided in taking Louisburg in the French and Indian War

DEE, FRANK E.

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company I, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Frank E. Dee, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. When the advance of his platoon had been held up by direct machine-gun fire, Sergeant Dee, severely wounded during the advance, went out in plain view of the enemy, pulled the pin of a grenade with his teeth; and, throwing the bomb with his left arm, put the gun and its crew out of action.

General Orders No. 32, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Waterbury, CT

DOUGLASS, JOSEPH U.

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company K, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Joseph U. Douglass, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action east of Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Corporal Douglass, with three other soldiers, went out into an open field under heavy shell and machine gun fire and succeeded in carrying back to our lines four seriously wounded men.

General Orders No. 20, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Ridgewood, NJ

DRAPER, CHARLES L.

Private First Class, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

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Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Charles L. Draper, Private First Class, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. After his company had passed beyond the first line of the enemy's resistance and at a time when hostile machine-gun fire presented the most formidable resistance to the advance, Private Draper, single-handed, rushed a hostile machine-gun position, killed both of its defenders, and captured the gun.

General Orders No. No. 16, W.D., 1920

Home Town: Carthage, NY

EMERY, DONALD

Private First Class, U.S. Army

Medical Department, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: August 22, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Donald Emery, Private First Class, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Dickebusch, France, August 22, 1918. Displaying an absolute disregard of danger in caring for wounded under shell and rifle fire and a continuous cheerfulness under trying conditions, Private First Class Emery's courageous example was inspiring to his comrades.

General Orders No. 99, W.D., 1918

Home Town: New York, NY

FENOUILLET, CARL

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company E, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: October 18, 1918

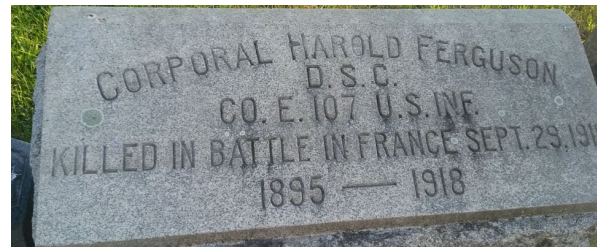
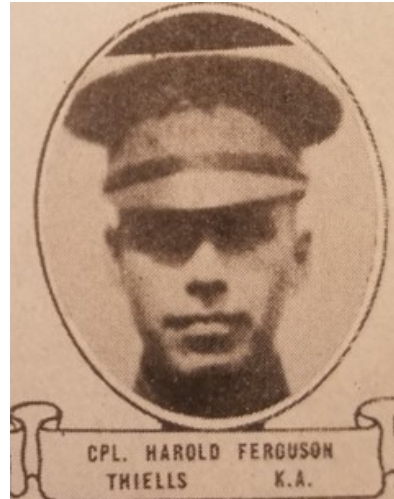
Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Carl Fenouillet, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near St. Souplet, France, October 18, 1918.

Corporal Fenouillet, after his commanding officer and four sergeants had become casualties, took command of the company, rallied it by his personal heroism and exposure to fire and gallantly led it in the attack.

General Orders No. No. 11, W.D., 1921

Home Town: Brooklyn, NY



Mount Repose Cemetery

FERGUSON, HAROLD (P)

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company E, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Harold Ferguson, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. During the attack on the Hindenburg line Corporal Ferguson assumed command of a platoon after the officers and senior noncommissioned officers had become casualties. He rapidly reorganized the platoon and fearlessly led it into effective combat through heavy shell and machine-gun fire.

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He was later killed after reaching his objective.

General Orders No. No. 19, W.D., 1920

Home Town: Thiells, NY

GAREY, PHILIP

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company I, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Philip Garey, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Organizing a platoon of survivors of a battalion, Sergeant Garey led them in attack against the enemy. Under terrific shell and machine-gun fire, he advanced against the enemy machine-gun nest, and by the effective use of hand grenades, killed or wounded the crew and destroyed the gun.

General Orders No. 32, W.D., 1919

Home Town: South Orange, NJ

GARVIN, FRANK W.

Private, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: October 18, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Frank W. Garvin, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near St. Souplet, France, October 18, 1918. After the advance of his company had been stopped by strong hostile machine-gun fire, Private Garvin, with three companions, advanced far ahead of the front line to attack an enemy position located in a large farmhouse. By skillful maneuvering in the broad daylight, they covered all entrances to the house and forced the surrender of the entire force of the enemy, numbering 36 men and two officers. During the exploit they killed two Germans who attempted to take cover in the cellar.

General Orders No. 46, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY

GLENDENNING, HUGH L.

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company D, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Hugh L. Glendenning, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. During the operations against the Hindenburg line Sergeant Glendenning, with four other soldiers, left shelter and went forward into an open field under heavy shell and machine-gun fire and succeeded in bandaging and carrying back to our lines two wounded men.

General Orders No. 20, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Jersey City, NJ



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Saint Souplet British Cemetery

GOW, KENNETH (P)

First Lieutenant, U.S. Army

Machine-Gun Company, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Kenneth Gow, First Lieutenant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. While supply officer for his company, Lieutenant Gow personally took rations forward with a pack mule through continuous shell and machine-gun fire. When all officers of his company were either killed or wounded, he assumed command and led it forward through heavy shell and machine-gun fire. He was killed on October 17.

General Orders No. No. 1, W.D., 1926

Home Town: Summit, NJ

GRANGER, JOHN MCCLAVE

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company M, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to John McClave Granger, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Bony, France, September 29, 1918. Corporal Granger crossed an area exposed to heavy fire to deliver a message, and while in the act of delivering his message his left leg was torn off by a shell. He refused assistance and shouted words of encouragement to members of his platoon in action.

General Orders No. No. 19, W.D., 1920

Home Town: New York, NY

GREENE, HAROLD

First Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company H, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Harold Greene, First Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. When his commanding officer was severely wounded and evacuated, First Sergeant Greene took command of the company and led it into effective combat. He continued to lead the company forward through a terrific fire of artillery and machine-guns for more than a mile after being severely wounded, and refused to be evacuated until he had received a second wound which made it impossible for him to continue further.

General Orders No. 32, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Binghamton, NY

GREENE, HENRY W.

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 28, 1918

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Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Henry W. Greene, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action south of Ronssoy, France, September 28, 1918. Sergeant Greene left the shelter of a trench and went forward some 35 yards and assisted a wounded soldier to shelter. This act was performed shortly after day-break at a time when the location of the wounded man and the trench were being swept by hostile fire.

General Orders No. No. 16, W.D., 1920

Home Town: Brooklyn, NY

HAGEMEYER, GEORGE K.

Private, U.S. Army

Company M, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to George K. Hagemeyer, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Bony, France, September 29, 1918. During a period that his company was held up by hazardous enemy fire, Private Hagemeyer acted as stretcher bearer and, even though wounded, and ordered to the rear, he continued in the work of removing the wounded. He remained at his task throughout the violent fire until he was wounded five times and forced to retire from loss of blood.

General Orders No. 44, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY



Somme American Cemetery and Memorial

HALL, PERCY MARVALT (P)

First Lieutenant, U.S. Army

107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

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Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Percy M. Hall, First Lieutenant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Disregarding his extremely weak condition, Lieutenant Hall insisted on going into attack with his company. Recent illness made it nearly impossible for him to stand, still he went to all parts of the line during an enemy counter barrage and murderous machine-gun fire, maintaining his platoon formations. By giving his overcoat to a wounded man, he so exposed himself that he died shortly afterwards from the effects.

General Orders No. 32, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Montclair, NJ

HARLIN, HENRY JOHN

Private, U.S. Army

Machine-Gun Company, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Henry John Harlin, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. After an advance of more than 2,000 yards with the infantry, Private Harlin crawled through a barbed-wire entanglement and remained the entire night under machine-gun fire within a few yards of enemy position in order to protect his comrades from a surprise attack.

General Orders No. 44, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY

HAWKINS, WILLIAM S.

First Lieutenant, U.S. Army

107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: October 17, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to William S. Hawkins, First Lieutenant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near St. Souplet, France, France, October 17 - 18, 1918. Acting as liaison officer during

the forcing of the La Selle River, Lieutenant Hawkins was severely wounded by an exploding shell. Undeterred by the weakened condition to which his wound reduced him, he bravely continued on, working untiringly under heavy shell and machine-gun fire, for two days until the advance of his battalion was checked.

General Orders No. 46, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Flushing, Long Island, NY

HENDERSON, CHARLES R.

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company L, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: August 22, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Charles R. Henderson, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Dickebusch, Belgium, August 22, 1918. When his post was attacked by a greatly superior number of the enemy, he heroically defended it in spite of the loss of six of his squad and succeeded in driving off the enemy.

General Orders No. 99, W.D., 1918

HULL, HENRY C.

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company H, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Henry C. Hull, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Bony, France, September 29, 1918. After being severely wounded in the head, Sergeant Hull reorganized a badly scattered line in the midst of heavy shell and machine-gun fire and led it into effective combat against the enemy. He continued to lead his men forward until loss of blood compelled him to place another in command.

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Home Town: White Plains, NY

IRWIN, FRANK J.

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: August 17, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Frank J. Irwin, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action in the Mount Kemmel sector, Belgium, August 17, 1918. While engaged with an American working party between the British front and support lines a British ration party passing nearby was struck by high-explosive hostile shellfire, badly wounding several. Corporal Irwin, with two assistants, voluntarily twice crossed an area under heavy enemy shell and machine-gun fire in order to carry the wounded men to a position of safety.

General Orders No. No. 43, W.D., 1922

Home Town: New York, NY

KARKER, JACK (P)

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Jack Karker, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. In the face of hostile machine-gun fire Corporal Karker ran to the assistance of a wounded comrade. He pulled the wounded man into a shell hole, keeping his own body interposed between the wounded man and the enemy's fire. While giving first aid to his wounded comrade, Corporal Karker was killed.

General Orders No. No. 19, W.D., 1920

Home Town: Lowville, NY

KENNY, FRANK H., JR.

Private First Class, U.S. Army

Company H, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Frank H. Kenny, Jr., Private First Class, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. When his commanding officer fell wounded, Private Kenny made his way through intense machine-gun fire to his first sergeant and notified him that he should assume command of the company. He then continued with the company until the advance was checked and the first sergeant severely wounded, when he made his way in search of the next in command. Failing to find him, he organized a squad of slightly wounded men, and with an automatic rifle and ammunition, which he salvaged, mopped up a section of the enemy trench, and then rejoined his company in its continued advance.

General Orders No. 32, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Scarsdale, NY

KOLONOCZYK, WASYL

(First Award)

Private, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: October 18, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Wasyl Kolonoczyk, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near St. Souplet, France, October 18, 1918. Private Kolonoczyk, under heavy shell and machine-gun fire, left the shelter of his trench and, going forward under a thick smoke screen, single-handed captured between 30 and 40 German prisoners. His conspicuous gallantry and bravery upon this occasion showed a heroic disregard for his own safety, which was a splendid example for all.

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Home Town: Cohoes, NY

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(Second Award)

Date of Action: October 18, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Wasyl Kolonocyk, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near St. Souplet, France, October 18, 1918. After the advance of his company had been stopped by strong hostile machine-gun fire, Private Kolonocyk, with three companions, advanced far ahead of the front line to attack an enemy position located in a large farmhouse. By skillful maneuvering in the broad daylight, they covered all entrances to the house and forced the surrender of the entire force of the enemy, numbering 36 men and two officers. During the exploit they killed two Germans, who attempted to take cover in the cellar.

General Orders No. 46, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Cohoes, NY

KRAMER, HENRY G.

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company D, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Henry G. Kramer, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. During the operations against the Hindenburg line Corporal Kramer, with four other soldiers, left shelter and went forward into an open field under heavy shell and machine-gun fire and succeeded in bandaging and carrying back to our lines two wounded men.

General Orders No. 20, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY

KRAYER, NICHOLAS

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company E, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Nicholas Krayer, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. During the attack on the Hindenburg line, after all officers in his company had been killed, Corporal Krayer exposed himself to heavy machine-gun fire to reorganize his command. He went from shell hold to shell hole, and by his courageous example inspired his men to continue the advance.

General Orders No. 68, W.D., 1920

Home Town: New Providence, NJ

LACOSSE, LAWRENCE J.

Private, U.S. Army

Company K, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Lawrence J. Lacosse, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action east of Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Private Lacosse, with three other soldiers, went out into an open field under heavy shell and machine-gun fire and succeeded in carrying back to our lines four seriously wounded men.

General Orders No. 20, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Malone, NY

LEE, JAMES A.

Private, U.S. Army

Company D, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: October 18, 1918

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Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to James A. Lee, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action at St. Souplet, France, October 18, 1918. The advance of his organization having been temporarily halted by machine-gun fire from a fortified house, Private Lee went forward as a scout to locate the entrance to the house. After discovering the entrance, he led a detachment in an assault, and at the point of the bayonet compelled about 35 of the enemy to surrender. A few minutes later, while advancing alone toward an outhouse, he effected the capture of more of the enemy.

General Orders No. No. 39, W.D., 1920

Home Town: Norwood, NY

LEVINE, ABEL J.

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company H, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Abel J. Levine, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Bony, France, September 29, 1918. After his platoon had suffered heavy casualties and all the sergeants had been wounded, Corporal Levine collected the remaining effectives in his own and other units, formed another platoon, and continued the advance. When his rifle was rendered useless he killed several of the enemy with his pistol. He was wounded shortly afterward, but he refused assistance until his men had been cared for and evacuated.

General Orders No. 44, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Mount Vernon, NY

MACDONNELL, JOHN L.

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company M, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

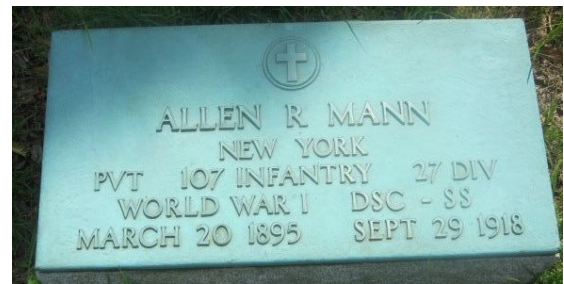
Date of Action: September 28, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to John L. MacDonnell, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action at Guillemont Farm, near Bony, France, September 28, 1918. When the advance of his platoon was held up by machine-gun fire which was harassing his position, Sergeant MacDonnell voluntarily led a detachment of his platoon over the top and destroyed the machine-gun nest. His courageous actions were an inspiration to all his comrades.

General Orders No. No. 56, W.D., 1922

Home Town: New York, NY



Green Lawn Cemetery

MANN, ALLEN R. (P)

Private, U.S. Army

Sanitary Detachment, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Allen R. Mann, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, Private Mann repeatedly went out into no man's land, in plain view of the enemy, and administered first aid to the wounded. While engaged in this work he was caught in a heavy enfilading fire from the enemy and was killed.

General Orders No. No. 49, W.D., 1922

Home Town: New York, NY

MASTINE, JOSEPH

Private, U.S. Army

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Company D, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Joseph Mastine, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action east of Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Finding the advance of his organization held up by a withering enemy machine-gun fire, Private Mastine volunteered to accompany another soldier forward and with utter disregard of their own personal danger, they rushed forward through an intense machine-gun fire directly upon the enemy nest, killing two and capturing five of the enemy and silencing that gun. Discovering another machine-gun nest close by, which was pouring a deadly fire on the American forces, preventing their advance, Private Mastine and his companion charged upon this strong point, killing the gunner, and putting this machine gun out of action. Without hesitation they jumped into the enemy's trench, killed two and captured sixteen German soldiers. Private Mastine then rejoined his platoon and continued to advance until wounded.

General Orders No. No. 16, W.D., 1929

Home Town: Ogdensburg, NY



MCGLUE, JOHN RICHARD (P)

Private First Class, U.S. Army

Company B, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,

A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to John R. McGlue, Private First Class, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Private first Class McGlue, with Mechanic Copeland, left the protection of a trench and, in the face of heavy machine-gun and grenade fire, went in advance of our lines to rescue a wounded comrade. They were exposed to heavy fire from the time they left the trench. Private McGlue was killed as he and his companion were returning to the trench with the succored wounded comrade.

General Orders No. No. 16, W.D., 1920

Home Town: Brooklyn, NY

MCLAUGHLIN, EDWIN W.

Mechanic, U.S. Army

Company I, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Edwin W. McLaughlin, Mechanic, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. While the rest of his company was being held up by intensive machine-gun fire of the enemy, Mechanic McLaughlin advanced alone and put the guns out of action. On several other occasions he volunteered and accompanied patrols in attack against enemy nests, each time proving himself of the greatest assistance, successfully accomplishing his mission, despite great hazards.

General Orders No. 32, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Middletown, NY

MCMANUS, WALTER P.

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company M, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

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Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Walter P. McManus, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Le Catelet, France, September 29, 1918. The platoon which he commanded being driven to shelter by intense enemy artillery and machine-gun fire and many of its members wounded, Sergeant McManus, with complete disregard for his own safety and disregarding this heavy fire, advanced in plain view of the enemy, rescued a wounded man of his platoon, and although he himself was severely wounded applied first aid and brought his wounded comrade back to a place of comparative safety, thereby saving the latter's life.

General Orders No. No. 14, W.D., 1923

Home Town: Brooklyn, NY

MELROSE, ANDREW R.

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company D, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 28, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Andrew R. Melrose, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Vendhuile, France, September 28, 1918. Leaving the protection of a trench, Corporal Melrose crawled out under heavy machine-gun and sniper fire, and rescued a British officer who had fallen in an exposed position. His example was an inspiration to the men serving with him.

General Orders 87, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Marcus, IA



Somme American Cemetery and Memorial

MENARD, ALEXANDER (P)

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company K, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Alexander Menard, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action east of Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Corporal Menard, with three other soldiers, went out into an open field under heavy shell and machine-gun fire and succeeded in carrying back to our lines four seriously wounded men.

General Orders No. 20, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Malone, NY

MORRISON, HUGH J. V.

Private, U.S. Army

Company K, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

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Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Hugh J. V. Morrison, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action east of Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Private Morrison, with three other soldiers, went out into an open field under heavy shell and machine-gun fire and succeeded in carrying back to our lines four seriously wounded men.

General Orders No. 20, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Poughkeepsie, NY

MOSCOW, LONNIE J.

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Lonnie J. Moscow, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. In the attack on the Hindenburg line, corporal Moscow was an advanced scout for his platoon. The platoon was temporarily halted by machine-gun fire from a section of the enemy trench in their immediate front. Corporal Moscow rushed through the heavy enemy fire to the trench and at the point of his rifle compelled twelve of the enemy to surrender. He then signaled for the platoon to advance.

General Orders No. No. 19, W.D., 1920

Home Town: Watertown, NY

MURPHY, JOHN P.

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to John P. Murphy, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918.

Corporal Murphy exposed himself to heavy machine-gun and rifle fire to rescue a wounded man who lay in front of our lines. By crawling from shell hole to shell hole he was able to accomplish the rescue in spite of the heavy enemy fire.

General Orders No. No. 24, W.D., 1920

Home Town: New York, NY

PAGE, CHARLES CLIFFORD (P)

(First Award)

Private, U.S. Army

Company D, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Charles C. Page, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. During operations against the Hindenburg line, Private Page crawled out through the murderous fire and rescued a wounded comrade, carrying him to the nearest dressing station.

General Orders No. 46, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY

(Second Award)

Date of Action: October 15, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Charles C. Page, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near St. Souplet, France, October 15, 1918: Private Page was sent ahead with a scout patrol of six men, when they were suddenly fired upon. One of their number was killed and four others, including Private Page, were wounded. With one leg blown off and the other hanging by a fragment of flesh, he stimulated the greatest confidence in his companions by his words of encouragement while being placed on a stretcher. He died from the effects of his wounds shortly after reaching the hospital.

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Home Town: New York, NY

[Both medals were awarded after the Soldier had died in battle.]

PARKE, IRA S.

Private, U.S. Army

Machine-Gun Company, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Ira S. Parke, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Bony, France, September 29, 1918. Private Parke, a machine-gunner, although wounded three times during the crossing of the La Selle River and the capture of the heights beyond, refused to leave the field, and set a splendid example to his comrades.

General Orders No. No. 53, W.D., 1920

Home Town: New York, NY



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PAUL, EDWIN (P)

Private, U.S. Army

Company L, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Edwin Paul, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Private Paul fearlessly ran in front of a tank under heavy machine-gun fire in order to drag a wounded officer out of the path of its advance. Shortly after, although himself severely wounded, he again exposed himself to heavy fire in order to render aid to a wounded corporal. While bandaging the corporal's leg he was hit by a shell fragment and killed.

General Orders No. No. 24, W.D., 1920

Home Town: White Plains, NY



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PIERCE, EDWARD ASTEN (P)

Private First Class, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

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Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Edward A. Pierce, Private First Class, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action during the attack on the Hindenburg line, in France, September 29, 1918. While a member of a Lewis gun squad which attacked a superior force of the enemy, Private Pierce was severely wounded in the ankle. He refused to be evacuated, and although wounded so that he was hardly able to walk, he continued on in the advance, inflicting severe casualties on the enemy, until he was killed by enemy fire.

General Orders No. 68, W.D., 1920

Home Town: New York, NY

POSSER, FREDERICK

Corporal, U.S. Army

Machine-Gun Company, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Frederick Posser, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. During the thick of the fighting against the Hindenburg line, Corporal Posser voluntarily went forward to locate friendly troops and, in doing so, he was obliged to pass between two strongly fortified enemy nests, from which a deadly fire was pouring. Despite this obstacle, he communicated with the infantry and returned to his position.

General Orders No. 35, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY

POWER, LLEWELLYN

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company D, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Llewel-

lyn Power, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. During the operations against the Hindenburg line, Corporal Power, with four other soldiers, left shelter and went forward into an open field under shell and machine-gun fire and succeeded in bandaging and carrying to our lines two wounded men.

General Orders No. 20, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY

RABINOWITZ, ISAAC

Private First Class, U.S. Army

Company A, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: October 18, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Isaac Rabinowitz, Private First Class, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near St. Souplet, France, October 18, 1918. When the advance of his battalion was checked by heavy machine-gun fire, Private Rabinowitz, with two other soldiers, went forward under heavy fire to reconnoiter the enemy positions. By effective rifle fire, they drove the gunners from two machine-gun nests into a dugout nearby, which they captured, together with 35 prisoners, including three officers.

General Orders 98, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY

ROBINS, JOSEPH

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Machine-Gun Company, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Joseph Robins, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918.

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During the thick of the fighting against the Hindenburg line, Sergeant Robins voluntarily went forward to locate friendly troops and, in doing so, he was obliged to pass between two strongly fortified enemy nests from which a deadly fire was pouring. Despite the fact that he was badly wounded, he communicated with the infantry and returned to his position.

General Orders No. 35, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY

ROSS, HENRY D.

Private, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: October 18, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Henry D. Ross, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near St. Souplet, France, October 18, 1918. After the advance of his company had been stopped by strong hostile machine-gun fire, Private Ross, with four companions, advanced far ahead of the front line to attack an enemy position located in a large farmhouse. By the accurate fire of his rifle and effective use of hand grenades, he succeeded in putting an enemy machine gun out of action and causing its crew to withdraw. This made it possible for him and his companions to skillfully maneuver in the broad daylight to cover all entrances to the house and force the surrender of the entire force of the enemy, numbering 36 men and 2 officers. During the exploit they killed two Germans who attempted to take cover in the cellar.

General Orders No. No. 12, W.D., 1929

Home Town: New York, NY

ROWE, GEORGE

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company I, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to George Rowe, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Although seriously wounded, Sergeant Rowe continued to lead his platoon in operations against the Hindenburg line, refusing to be evacuated, until ordered to the rear by his commanding officer.

General Orders No. 32, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Ossining, NY

SCHWEGLER, JOHN W.

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 28, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to John W. Schwegler, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 28, 1918. Sergeant Schwegler went forward from a front-line trench in daylight for a distance of 60 yards through enemy machine-gun and sniper's fire, and brought back a wounded soldier to shelter.

General Orders 81, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY



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SCOTT, EDWARD WILLIS (P)

First Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company L, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Edward W. Scott, First Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. First Sergeant Scott assumed command of his company after all the officers has become casualties, though he himself had been shot through the arm, and led it into effective combat. After being wounded a second time he refused to go to the rear, but continued to advance until he was killed.

General Orders No. 20, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Westchester, NY

SHOLETTE, EDGAR M.

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company D, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Edgar M. Sholette, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action east of Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Sergeant Sholette went out into the open field under heavy shell and machine-gun fire and succeeded in carrying back to our lines a wounded soldier.

General Orders No. 20, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Ogdensburg, NY

SIMPSON, THOMAS G.

Second Lieutenant, U.S. Army

107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Thomas

G. Simpson, Second Lieutenant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Second Lieutenant Simpson went out into the open under heavy machine-gun fire and succeeded in carrying back for a distance of about 25 yards a wounded officer and a wounded soldier.

General Orders No. 20, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY

SMIDT, WILLIAM F.

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company H, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to William F. Smidt, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Although suffering from a most painful wound, Sergeant Smidt refused to be evacuated, but continued to lead his platoon in their assault against the enemy. The advance being halted by intense enemy machine-gun fire, he personally rushed upon an enemy machine-gun nest and with bombs put the machine gun out of action, thus enabling his platoon to resume their advance. Again stopped by enemy machine-gun fire, he again attacked an enemy nest, but was seriously wounded in the attempt and evacuated to the hospital. His indomitable bravery and utter disregard for his own safety greatly inspired the men of his company.

General Orders No. No. 16, W.D., 1923

Home Town: New York, NY

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SPICKERMAN, RAYMOND H. (P)

Corporal, U.S. Army

Machine-Gun Company, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

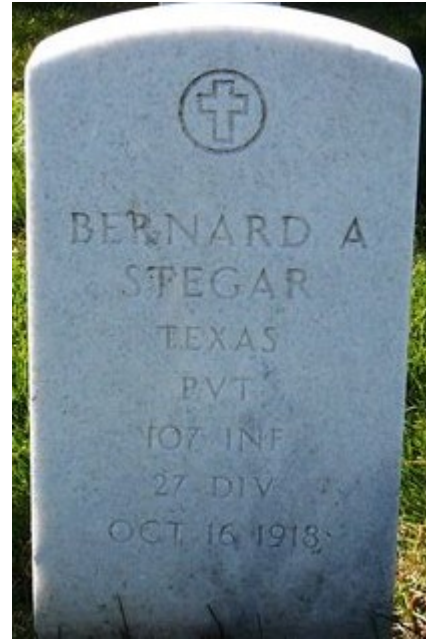
Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Raymond H. Spickerman, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Corporal Spickerman and his machine-gunner pushed forward to a blind trench, which was partially surrounded by machine-gunners and snipers, under terrific machine-gun and trench-mortar fire and through a heavy smoke screen. He barricaded a sap at the most dangerous position, only a few yards from the enemy machine-guns, and, after killing four of the enemy with a rifle, was mortally wounded but continued to hold his position until he died.

General Orders No. 50, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Bloomville, NY



Arlington National Cemetery

STEGAR, BERNARD A. (P)

Private, U.S. Army

Company F, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: October 18, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Bernard A. Stegar, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near St. Thibaut, France, October, 18, 1918. When a comrade was severely wounded by machine-gun fire, Private Stegar went to his rescue, crossing open spaces subjected to intense fire by the enemy. He was wounded as he advanced, but he continued forward and reached the side of his wounded comrade, when he was again hit by a machine-gun bullet and instantly killed.

General Orders 71, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Marlin, TX

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STEWART, ALPHEUS ELIGHA (P)

Private, U.S. Army

Company G, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Alpheus E. Stewart, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action east of Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Private Stewart, having been wounded in the head, advanced with fearless disregard for his own personal safety against an enemy machine-gun nest and succeeded in putting it out of action by bombing the gunners. He was killed immediately thereafter by enemy machine-gun fire.

General Orders No. 16, W.D., 1919

Home Town: San Antonio, TX

STOLL, CHARLES T.

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company C, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: October 18, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Charles T. Stoll, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near St. Souplet, France, October 18, 1918. After the advance of his company had been stopped by strong hostile machine-gun fire, Corporal Stoll, with three companions, advanced far ahead of the front line to attack an enemy position located in a large farmhouse. By skillful maneuvering in the broad daylight, they covered all entrances to the house and forced the surrender of the entire force of the enemy, numbering 36 men and two officers. During the exploit they killed two Germans who attempted to take cover in the cellar.

General Orders No. 46, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY

TALBOT, ARTHUR

First Lieutenant, U.S. Army

107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: October 18, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Arthur Talbot, First Lieutenant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near La Roux Farm, France, October 18, 1918. Being unable to find a suitable target for the 37 - millimeter gun of which he was in command, Lieutenant Talbot armed the men of his section with enemy rifles and led a daylight patrol in advance of the lines. He reconnoitered La Roux Farm, exposed to heavy machine-gun fire and put two enemy machine guns out of action, thus enabling our line to advance 1,000 yards without serious losses.

General Orders No. No. 24, W.D., 1920

Home Town: New York, NY

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TIEMAN, FREDERICK ALOISIUS (P)

Private, U.S. Army

Company H, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Frederick A. Tieman, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Bony, France, September 29, 1918. During the attack against the Hindenburg line, when he became separated from his squad, with utter disregard for his personal safety Private Tieman fearlessly operated a Lewis machine gun, inflicting heavy losses upon the enemy. Later, when it was possible for him to rejoin his company, he assisted in rallying the men to further efforts and aided materially in the victory that was ultimately won. His splendid courage and gallant conduct were an inspiration to all his comrades. *[He was later killed on 17 October, 1918.]*

General Orders No. No. 56, W.D., 1922

Home Town: Jersey City, NJ

VOSBURGH, PHILIP DE M.

Sergeant, U.S. Army

Company K, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 28, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Philip De M. Vosburgh, Sergeant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action in the vicinity of Bony, France, September 28, 1918. Sergeant Vosburgh exposed himself to direct observation and fire from the enemy in leaving a place of shelter to go to the assistance of a wounded officer. Upon reaching the officer he was hit in the knee by a machine-gun bullet, causing him to fall back into the trench, dragging the officer with him.

General Orders No. No. 19, W.D., 1920

Home Town: New Brighton, NY

WALSH, CHARLES H.

Private First Class, U.S. Army

Company I, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Charles H. Walsh, Private First Class, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Bony, France, September 29, 1918. As a member of a Lewis gun squad, Private Walsh continued to advance with his section although severely wounded by enemy fire. Upon reaching the enemy trenches an intense enemy machine-gun fire killed or wounded every man of his squad. Although Private Walsh was again severely wounded, he continued to operate his Lewis gun until he collapsed and was carried from the field.

General Orders No. No. 15, W.D., 1923

Home Town: New York, NY

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WESTFALL, ALBERT C.

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company G, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: October 18, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Albert C. Westfall, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near St. Souplet, France, October 18, 1918. Undaunted by terrific machine-gun fire, Corporal Westfall went out into the open and rescued a British officer who had fallen wounded. Later, after two runners had been killed in trying to locate missing elements of his battalion, Corporal Westfall assumed this task and in performing it four times crossed a sunken road which was continuously raked by enemy machine-gun fire.

General Orders No. 44, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Oneonta, NY

WILKINSON, JACK H.

Private, U.S. Army

Company D, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Jack H. Wilkinson, Private, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. During the operations against the Hindenburg line Private Wilkinson left shelter and went forward, crawling on his hands and knees, under heavy machine-gun fire, to the aid of a wounded officer and a wounded soldier. With the assistance of another soldier he succeeded in dragging and carrying them back to the shelter of a trench.

General Orders No. 20, W.D., 1919

Home Town: New York, NY

WILLIAMS, JULIUS DE WITT

Corporal, U.S. Army

Company L, 107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division,
A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Julius De Witt Williams, Corporal, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Corporal Williams displayed great courage and was an excellent example for the men whom he led in the attack on the Hindenburg line. Although wounded in the right hip by a machine-gun bullet, he remained in command of his unit and assisted in the organization of a position for defense. He did not submit to evacuation until the position was secure against counterattack.

General Orders No. No. 35, W.D., 1920

Home Town: Brightwater, NY



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WILLIS, EDWARD (P)

First Lieutenant, U.S. Army

107th Infantry Regiment, 27th Division, A.E.F.

Date of Action: September 29, 1918

Citation:

The Distinguished Service Cross is presented to Edward Willis, First Lieutenant, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ronssoy, France, September 29, 1918. Lieutenant Willis displayed remarkable gallantry in leading his platoon of machine-guns for more than 2,000 yards under terrific machine-gun fire. Even after being mortally wounded and unable to advance further, he continued to urge his men on.

General Orders No. 37, W.D., 1919

Home Town: Summit, NJ

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