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II. AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and Sec I, Cir 32, Hq European T of Opns, US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq European T of Opns, US Army, 27 May 1944, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following:

JAMES E. TIGHE, 31323044, Private first class, *** Anti-aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of *** France. When Private first class Tighe observed one of his comrades who was swimming in the *** River struggling and sinking below the surface of the water, Private first class Tighe without regard for his own safety and fully clothed, dived into the water and swam toward his comrade. When Private first class Tighe reached the location where his fellow soldier was last seen, he dived for him, but with no success. He tried again and the second time managed to bring his comrade to the surface and swim to shore with him. At this particular point, the water was about 15 feet deep and had the additional hazards of logs and other projections placed in the water. Private first class Tighe's heroic actions and total disregard for his own safety saved the life of his comrade. Such conduct reflects credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Maine.

By command of Major General HAISLIP:

OFFICIAL: /s/ Arch A. Fall
ARCH A. FALL
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

PEARSON MEMOHER,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief of Staff.

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