

*Private Joseph Gregoire
Was Recently Awarded
Distinguish Service Medal*

Private Joseph Gregoire ^{3/12/44} of Newton, who is in India, writes that his company was recently awarded the Distinguished Service Medal in a citation by his commanding officer. The medal was awarded for some action about which he couldn't explain.

"We were cited by our commander in chief (F. D. R.) for some work we have done and about which I can't tell very much. A general presented us the Distinguished Service Medal. This probably don't mean very much to you but as this is only the fourth time they have been presented to the United States Army, it means quite a lot to us.

"The medal is blue, trimmed in gold. I am sure you won't see many of them, and most of the other groups who have been presented with them the hard way—by spilling blood."