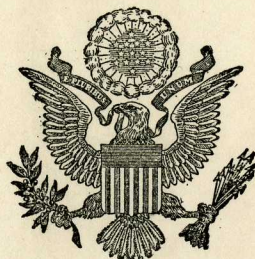


Army of the United States



To all who shall see these presents, greeting:

Know ye, that reposing special trust and confidence in the fidelity and abilities of Corporal HOWARD L. KRATZKE, 32130795, I do hereby appoint him

* Sergeant (Temporary) Hq Det VIII Army Corps (CE), ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES,

to rank as such from the nineteenth day of December

one thousand nine hundred and forty-one He is therefore carefully and diligently

to discharge the duty of † Sergeant by doing and performing all manner of

things thereunto belonging. And I do strictly charge and require all Noncommissioned Officers

and Soldiers under his command to be obedient to his orders as Sergeant

And he is to observe and follow such orders and directions from time to time, as he shall receive

from his Superior Officers and Noncommissioned Officers set over him, according to the rules and

discipline of War.

Given under my hand at Brownwood, Texas,

this nineteenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine

hundred and forty-one.

By command of Major General STRONG:

WILLIAM M. GOLD,
1st Lt., A.G.D., Asst. Adjutant General.