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PREFACE

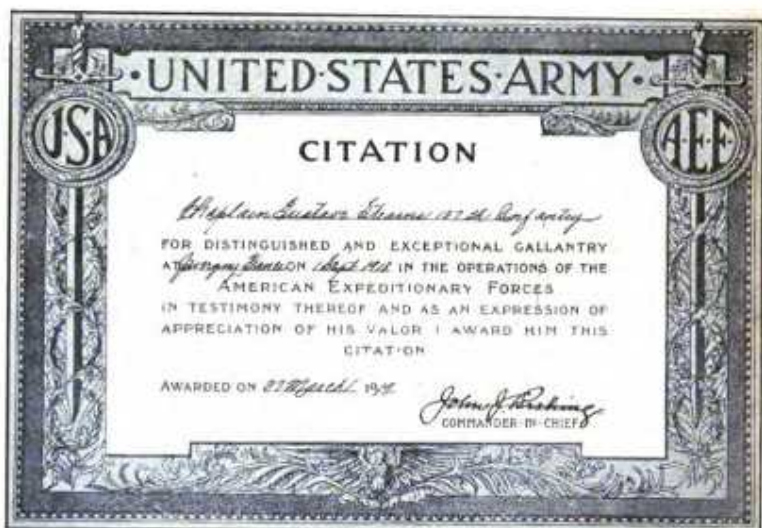
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He was in the service over twenty-two months in the World War, fifteen months of which was overseas, and was on duty on three battle fronts in France (the Alsace trench sector, the Aisne-Marne offensive, and the Oise-Aisne offensive), and in the Army of Occupation in Germany. He was wounded by enemy shrapnel fire July 12, 1918, in Badricourt, France, and after the battle of Juvigny, September 1, 1918, he was honored for gallantry in action, receiving the highest of the three grades of citations, signed by General Pershing. He preached to over 4,000 wounded soldiers at once, and buried fifty-one fallen soldiers in one day on the battle-field, under shell-fire.

The letters were written to Church of the Ascension, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, of which the author is the pastor, and which granted him a leave of absence during the period of the war.

Some of these letters were printed in the daily papers and attracted a great deal of attention. Hundreds of soldiers and civilians requested that the letters be printed in book form.

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CITATION

Sergeant
FOR DISTINGUISHED AND EXCEPTIONAL GALLANTRY
Sergeant IN THE OPERATIONS OF THE
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
IN TESTIMONY THEREOF AND AS AN EXPRESSION OF
APPRECIATION OF HIS VALOR I AWARD HIM THIS
CITATION

AWARDED ON *23rd March 1918*

John J. Pershing
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

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