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STATEMENT OF THE MILITARY SERVICE OF

Harry S. Truman
President of the United States

The records of this office show that Harry S. Truman, First Lieutenant, Battery F, 2nd Field Artillery, Missouri National Guard (which was later redesignated Battery F, 129th Field Artillery) reported for Federal service on August 3, 1917, in response to the call of the President. He served with Battery F and later Battery D, at Camp Duniphan, Oklahoma to March 20, 1918 when he was placed on detached service with the Overseas Detachment and sailed from the United States March 30, 1918, on the S. S. George Washington. Upon the recommendation of the Commanding General, 80th Field Artillery Brigade, he was promoted to the grade of Captain, Field Artillery, with rank from April 23, 1918. He attended a course of instruction at the Second Corps School, Chatillon-sur-Seine, France, from April 27, 1918, to June 5, 1918, on which date he rejoined the 129th Field Artillery, 36th Division. He served with that organization in the Gerardmer Sector from August 20 to September 2, 1918, while it was in reserve of the American First Army during the St. Mihiel offensive from September 12 to 16, 1918, in Grange-le-Comte defensive sector from September 21 to 25, 1918, and the Meuse-Argonne offensive from September 26 to October 3, 1918, and from October 15 to November 11, 1918. He returned to the United States on the S. S. Kappelin April 20, 1919 and was honorably discharged on May 6, 1919, at Camp Funston, Kansas, per demobilization of the emergency forces.

He was appointed Major, Field Artillery Officers Reserve Corps, January 10, 1920; was reappointed January 10, 1925; was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery-Reserve, May 27, 1925; was reappointed May 27, 1930, and was promoted to Colonel, Field-Artillery Reserve, June 17, 1932. During this period he has been on active duty from July 16 to 30, 1923, from July 5 to 10, 1925, from July 5 to 19, 1926, from July 10 to 23, 1927, from July 9 to 22, 1928, from July 7 to 20, 1929, from July 20 to August 2, 1930, from July 26 to August 8, 1931, from July 10 to 23, 1932, and from August 17 to 30, 1933.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

(Signed) Edward F. Witsell
EDWARD F. WITSELL
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The Adjutant General