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THE SILVER STAR MEDAL

1.TC 320. The following AWARDS are announced.

PRITCHARD, PAUL M CAPTAIN INFANTRY Company B
1st Battalion 502d Infantry APO San Francisco 96383
Awarded: The Silver Star Medal

Date action: 5 February 1968
Theater: Republic of Vietnam
Reason: For gallantry in action in the Republic of Vietnam on 5 February 1968. Captain Pritchard distinguished himself by exceptionally heroic actions near Quang Tri, Republic of Vietnam. Captain Pritchard's company conducted an attack on a well dug-in enemy force of estimated Battalion size. The attack lasted for seven hours and inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy. During the entire action, Captain Pritchard continuously exposed himself to the heavy fire in order to control his units and direct supporting fire. His personal courage and the example set by him inspired his men and was a key factor in the company's successful attack on a strong enemy position. Captain Pritchard's extraordinary heroism in close combat against a numerically superior Viet Cong force was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army.
Authority: By direction of the President of the United States under the provisions of the Act of Congress established 9 July 1918.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

W. P. TALLON, JR
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