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NAVY DEPARTMENT,
Washington, D. C., November 2, 1916.

AWARD OF MEDALS OF HONOR.

The Navy Department has received the report of a board of investigation convened by order of the commanding officer of the United States naval force operating ashore in Santo Domingo from which it appears

that on July 3, 1916, the Twenty-eighth Company of Marines was engaged with the Dominican armed forces at the battle of Guayacanes. During a running fight of 1,200 yards, our forces reached the enemy entrenchments and Corpl. Joseph A. Glowin, United States Marine Corps, placed the machine gun, of which he had charge, behind a large log across the road and immediately opened fire on the trenches. He was struck once but continued firing his gun, but a moment later he was again struck and had to be dragged out of the position into cover. Sergt. Roswell Winans, United States Marine Corps, then arrived with a Colt's gun which he placed in a most exposed position, coolly opened fire on the trenches and when the gun jammed, stood up and repaired it under fire. All the time Glowin and Winans were handling their guns they were exposed to a very heavy fire which was striking into the logs and around the men, seven men being wounded and one killed within 20 feet. Sergt. Winans continued firing his gun until the enemy had abandoned the trenches.

In accordance with the recommendation of the commanding officer of the expeditionary forces operating in Haiti, approved by the flag officer, the department has awarded a medal of honor and a gratuity of one hundred dollars (\$100) to First Sergt. Roswell Winans, United States Marine Corps, and to Corpl. Joseph A. Glowin, United States Marine Corps, for extraordinary heroism in the line of their profession and for their eminent and conspicuous courage in the presence of the enemy at the action at Guayacanes, Dominican Republic, July 3, 1916.

W. S. BENSON,
Acting Secretary of the Navy.