

M2159

SERIAL LISTS OF  
SPANISH WAR SERVICE MEDALS,  
PHILIPPINE CONGRESSIONAL MEDALS,  
PHILIPPINE CAMPAIGN MEDALS,  
ARMY OF CUBAN PACIFICATION MEDALS,  
MEXICAN SERVICE MEDALS,  
AND  
MEXICAN BORDER SERVICE MEDALS  
ISSUED FROM 1907 TO 1925

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## INTRODUCTION

On the two rolls of this microfilm publication, M2159, are reproduced serial lists of Spanish War Service Medals, Philippine Congressional Medals, Philippine Campaign Medals, Army of Cuban Pacification Medals, Mexican Service Medals, and Mexican Border Service Medals, issued 1907–25. These records are part of Records of the Office of the Quartermaster General, Record Group (RG) 92.

## BACKGROUND

From the American Revolution to the present day, individual military awards and decorations have been awarded to recognize service and personal accomplishments and outwardly display the highlights of a service member's career. During the first quarter of the 20th century, the Adjutant General (AGO) certified a service member's eligibility for a medal while the Quartermaster General (QMG) issued the medal. The AGO's certifications became part of the QMG's records.

## RECORDS DESCRIPTION

The records are arranged by type of award, then numerically. Unfortunately, no attempt was made to verify and perfect the arrangement before microfilming, so that many cards were filmed out of numerical order. Unusually bad disarrangement is noted in the roll list. Four cards were filmed per frame (image). The reverse side was filmed if information was recorded there.

Each 8.75- by 4.25-inch card contains space for 10 records that provide the medal number, date of award, and the recipient's name, rank, and organization. Some awards were cancelled, with the medal number being reissued to a new recipient. In these cases, the name, rank, and organization of both the original and replacement recipients are indicated.

Some of these awards were originally called "badges" but were redesignated as "medals" in 1919. These records are called "serial lists" due to their numerical arrangement.

**SERIAL LIST OF ARMY OF CUBAN PACIFICATION MEDALS, 1907–25** (Part of National Archives Identifier 601730)<sup>1</sup>

The Army of Cuban Pacification Medal was established by War Department General Order 96 of 1909. It was awarded for service in Cuba between October 6, 1906, and April 1, 1909. Numbered from 1 to 6339.

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<sup>1</sup> Online Public Access (OPA) is available for research online at [www.archives.gov](http://www.archives.gov). These records are a subseries of Entry (Series) 286, Serial List of Badges and Medals Issued for Various Campaigns, 1907–25, in Maizie H. Johnson, Preliminary Inventory NM-81, *Preliminary Inventory of the Records of the Office of the Quartermaster General* (National Archives, 1967).

**SERIAL LIST OF MEXICAN SERVICE MEDALS, 1918–25** (National Archives Identifier 601727)<sup>2</sup>

This medal was established by War Department General Order 155 of 1917, and was originally designated the Mexican Service Badge. It was awarded for service in any of the following expeditions or engagements: Vera Cruz Expedition in Mexico, April 24–November 26, 1914; Punitive Expedition in Mexico, March 14, 1916–February 7, 1917; Buena Vista, Mexico, December 1, 1917; San Bernardino Cañon, Mexico, December 26, 1917; Le Grulla, Texas, January 8–9, 1918; Pilares, Mexico, March 28, 1918; Nogales, Arizona, November 1–5, 1915, or August 27, 1918; El Paso, Texas, and Juarez, Mexico, June 15–16, 1919, or any action against hostile Mexicans in which U.S. troops were killed or wounded, April 12, 1911–February 7, 1917.

Numbered from 1 to 12560 with all cards marked Mexican Service Badges. Due to disarrangement, the cards are arranged in this order: 1–3560; 3561–4590 in reverse numerical order; and 4591–12560. The cards for 12531–12560 are blank. The card for Philippine Campaign (Badge) Medals 12161–12170 was misfiled and filmed with these records immediately after Mexican Service (Badge) Medals card 12151–12160. The card for 5631–5640 was omitted during microfilming but has been filmed immediately following these introductory remarks.

**SERIAL LIST OF SPANISH WAR SERVICE MEDALS ISSUED, 1919–25** (National Archives Identifier 601728)<sup>3</sup>

This medal was established by the act of July 9, 1918 (40 Stat. 873), and was awarded for service between April 20, 1898, and April 11, 1899, to persons not eligible for the Spanish Campaign Medal. It was originally designated the Spanish National Guard Badge.

Numbered 1–16670 with the cards for 1–2310 identified as Spanish National Guard Badges. The cards for 16651–16670 are blank. The card for 1901–1910 was omitted during microfilming but has been filmed immediately following these introductory remarks. The U.S. address of National Guardsmen was sometimes indicated instead of unit identification.

**SERIAL LIST OF MEXICAN BORDER SERVICE MEDALS, 1919–25** (National Archives Identifier 601729)<sup>4</sup>

This medal was established by the act of July 9, 1918 (40 Stat. 873), and was originally designated the Mexican National Guard Badge. It was awarded to persons not eligible for the Mexican Service Medal who served between May 9, 1916, and March 24, 1917, or with the Mexican Border Patrol between January 1, 1916, and April 6, 1917.

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<sup>2</sup> NM-81, Entry 283, Serial List of Mexican Service Badges Issued (Nos. 1–12530), 1918–25.

<sup>3</sup> NM-81, Entry 284, Serial List of Spanish National Guard Badges Issued (No. 1-2310) and Spanish War Service Medals Issued (Nos. 2311–16650), 1919–25.

<sup>4</sup> NM-81, Entry 285, Serial List of Mexican Border National Guard Badges issued (Nos. 1–2400) and Mexican Border Service Medals issued (Nos. 2401–34060), 1919–25.

Numbered 1–34060 with the cards for 1–2400 marked Mexican Border National Guard Badges. Much of this series is disarranged, but most cards are within one or two images of where they should be located. However, five cards were filmed greatly out of place, as follows: (1) the cards for 12661–12680 were filmed with the 15300’s cards, and (2) the cards for 15351–15380 were filmed with the 14900’s cards. The cards for 34013–34060 are blank.

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These monthly memorandums indicate which medal numbers were issued for each kind of medal. Although they relate to all types of medals issued during 1914–19, they are physically filed with the Serial List of Philippine Campaign Medals that follows.

**SERIAL LIST OF PHILIPPINE CAMPAIGN MEDALS, 1907–25** (National Archives Identifier 601726)<sup>5</sup>

This medal was established by War Department General Order 5 of 1905, and was originally designated the Philippine Campaign Badge. It was awarded for service in the Philippine Islands under any of the following conditions (1) ashore between February 4, 1899, and July 4, 1902; (2) ashore in the Department of Mindanao between February 4, 1899, and December 31, 1904, (3) against the Pulajanes on Leyte between July 20, 1906, and June 30, 1907, or on Samar between August 2, 1904, and June 30, 1907, or (4) with expeditions against Pala on Jolo, April–May 1905; Datu Ali on Mindanao, October 1905; or hostile Moros on Mount Bud-Dajo, Jolo, March 1906.

Numbered from 1 to 25000 with all cards marked Philippine Campaign Badge. Immediately following 1320 is a card dated March 31, 1922, which says: “Note: In purchasing Philippine campaign medals, the records show that Nos. 23500 to 25000, have been issued. When new medals are ordered, they should be numbered 25001 to the number required.”

The card for 9101–9010 was omitted during microfilming but has been filmed immediately following these introductory remarks. The card for Philippine Campaign (Badge) Medals 12161–12170 was misfiled and filmed immediately after Mexican Service (Badge) Medals card 12151–12160, but it also has been refilmed immediately following these introductory remarks. Cards for 23251–23500 have no information on them.

**SERIAL LIST OF PHILIPPINE CONGRESSIONAL MEDALS, 1907–25** (Part of National Archives Identifier 601730)<sup>6</sup>

This medal was established by the act of June 29, 1906 (34 Stat. 621), and was awarded for service meeting all the following conditions: (1) entered the Army between April 21, 1898, and October 26, 1898, under a call of the President; served beyond the date on

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<sup>5</sup> NM-81, Entry 282, Serial List of Philippine Campaign Medals Issued (Nos. 1–2500 [*sic*, 25000]), 1907–25.

<sup>6</sup> NM-81, subseries of Entry 286, Serial List of Badges and Medals Issued for Various Campaigns, 1907–25.

which entitled to discharge; and served ashore in the Philippine Islands between February 4, 1899, and July 4, 1902. Numbered from 5801 to 6179.

#### GENERAL REMARKS

Information from Army Regulation 600-8-22 (Rapid Action Revision version of 15 September 2011) was used to describe the criteria under which the medals were awarded.

The serial lists were filmed in 1980 in response to a customer request for copies of these records, and in 2012 this film was assigned the number M2159 in order to issue it as a National Archives Microfilm Publication.

#### RELATED INDEX

The Decorations and Awards Index (National Archives Identifier 601682),<sup>7</sup> which is arranged alphabetically by surname, then by first name, serves as a finding aid to the records reproduced in this microfilm publication as well as several other record series.

#### RELATED RECORDS

There is a significant body of additional records in RG 92 related the issuance of these medals, listed below in order by their NM-81 entry (series) number with the series title assigned to them in Online Public Access (which may vary somewhat from the old NM-81 series title).

- 257 Correspondence Relating to Applications for Philippine Congressional Medals, Distinguished Service Crosses, Silver Stars, and Mexican Badges, 1908–25. (National Archives Identifier 601683).
- 258 Correspondence Relating to Applications for Congressional Campaign Medals, 1908–17. (National Archives Identifier 601684).
- 259 Philippine Campaign Badge Certifications, 1905–17. (National Archives Identifier 601687).
- 261 Spanish Campaign Badge Certifications, 1905–25. (National Archives Identifier 601690).
- 264 Philippine Congressional Badge Certifications, 1919–25. (National Archives Identifier 601694).
- 265 Army of Cuban Occupation Badge Certifications, 1915–17. (National Archives Identifier 601695).
- 266 Mexican Service Badge Certifications, 1918–25. (National Archives Identifier 602360).
- 267 Mexican Border National Guard Service Medal Certifications, 1919–20. (National Archives Identifier 601701).
- 268 Mexican Border Service Medals Certifications, 1919–25. (National Archives Identifier 601705).

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<sup>7</sup> NM-81, Entry 256, Name Index Cards to Series 257 through 274.

- 269 Spanish War Service Medal and Spanish National Guard Medal Certifications, 1919–25. (National Archives Identifier 601706).
- 273 Applications for Philippine Campaign Badges and Related Correspondence, 1920–26. (National Archives Identifier 601713).
- 274 Applications for Army of Cuban Pacification Badges and Related Correspondence, 1920–25. (National Archives Identifier 601714).
- 275 Correspondence Relating to Campaign Badges in China, the Philippines, the Spanish-American War, the Cuban Occupation, and the Mexican Border Service, 1908–23. (National Archives Identifier 601715).
- 276 Correspondence Relating to Campaign Badges for Members of State Militias and National Guard Units in China, the Philippines, the Spanish-American War, the Indian Wars, the Cuban Occupation, and the Civil War, 1909–17. (National Archives Identifier 601716).
- 277 Letters Received from Army Officers Requesting Campaign Ribbons, 1909. (National Archives Identifier 601718).
- 278 Letters of Inquiry Relating to Badges for Service in the Spanish-American War, Indian Wars, China, and the Philippines, 1912–13. (National Archives Identifier 601719).
- 279 Application and Proof of Identity Forms for Retired Men Relating to Campaign Badges, 1908–9. (National Archives Identifier 601721).
- 280 Applications for Various Medals that Were Not Issued, 1920–21. (National Archives Identifier 601722).
- 281 Card Record of the Distribution and Receipt of Badges, 1907–9. (National Archives Identifier 601724).

## ROLL LIST

ROLL    RECORD SERIES

1        *NARA Introduction*

*One specific card for Spanish War Service Medals numbered 1901–1910*

*One specific card for Mexican Service Medals numbered 5631–5640*

SERIAL LIST OF ARMY OF CUBAN PACIFICATION MEDALS ISSUED, 1907–25  
1–6339

SERIAL LIST OF MEXICAN SERVICE MEDALS ISSUED, 1918–25  
1–3560  
3561–4590 (in reverse numerical order)  
4591–12560

SERIAL LIST OF SPANISH WAR SERVICE MEDALS ISSUED, 1919–25  
1–1900  
1901–1910 (filmed on Roll 1 after *NARA Introduction*)  
1911–16650

SERIAL LIST OF MEXICAN BORDER SERVICE MEDALS ISSUED, 1919–25  
1–12660  
12661–12680 (filmed with 15300's cards)  
12681–15350  
15351–15380 (filmed with 14900's cards)  
15381–18330

2        *NARA Introduction*

*Two specific cards for Philippine Campaign Medals numbered 9101–9110 and  
12161–12170*

SERIAL LIST OF MEXICAN BORDER SERVICE MEDALS ISSUED, 1919–25  
(continued)  
18331–33040  
33121–34020  
33041–33120  
34021–34060

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1–1320  
Note regarding numbers 23500–25000  
1321–9100

9101–9010 (filmed on Roll 2 after *NARA Introduction*)

9011–12160

12161–12170 (card misfiled: filmed after Mexican Service (Badge) Medals  
card 12151–12160; also filmed on Roll 2 after *NARA Introduction*)

12171–23250

23251–23500 (blank cards)

23501–25000

SERIAL LIST OF PHILIPPINE CONGRESSIONAL MEDALS ISSUED, 1907–25

5801–6179