EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER SEVEN

The Conspicuous Service Cross of the State of Delaware is hereby awarded to Major General Joseph J. Scannell, 0350527, for outstanding service to the State of Delaware. He has served the National Guard faithfully from the outbreak of World War II when he became a member of the 198th C. A. as a 1st Lieutenant. His service in World War II included every phase of activity undergone by the Delaware Guard and a tour of the South Pacific as a Military Government Officer, which was extremely valuable training for his later position as Adjutant General. On June 1, 1950, he was appointed Adjutant General of this State and since that time he has been greatly responsible for the greatest increase in facilities and personnel that the National Guard in this State has ever experienced. Eleven new training facilities have been built and the enlisted strength of the Guard has more than doubled, until at this time Delaware has the largest percentage of its population in the Reserve program of any state in the United States. He has seen the equipment of the Guard change from pre-World War II guns to the latest electronic controlled weapons and the Air Guard from slow flying propeller driven planes to the latest of jet planes. Largely because of his foresight, the Guard has been able to assimilate the changes with a minimum of effort. He has spent long hours in the pursuit of his duties, above and beyond the normal requirements of his position in the interest of the State and is continuing to be one of the outstanding Adjutants General this State has ever known.

APPROVED this sixteenth day of July 1957.

By the Governor

ATTEST:

Secretary of State