

BATTENBERG, HOMER BOBO

ADAMS COUNTY

Lieutenant colonel, Adjutant General's Department, Adjutant General, 27th Division

*Division Citation.* Special Orders No. 86, Headquarters 27th Division, Camp Upton, N. Y., March 27, 1919: The following



named officer is commended for the meritorious service hereinafter mentioned: Lieutenant Colonel Homer B. Battenberg, Headquarters 27th Division, U. S. Army. For exceptionally meritorious and conspicuous services, untiring energy, zeal, and devotion to duty as assistant chief of staff, assistant adjutant, and finally as division adjutant during the entire period of mobilization and training of the division in the United States, and throughout active operations in the occupa-

tion of a British defensive sector, in the Ypres-Lys offensive, Belgium, and in the Somme offensive, France. This capable officer by constant and close attention to detail developed and maintained a high standard of efficiency in the Adjutant General's Department of the division . . . By command of Major General O'Ryan: W. H. Raymond, Colonel, General Staff, Chief of Staff.

*Order of the Black Star, Officer* (France). Register No. 3830. By Presidential Decree of September 24, 1919. No specific citation of record.

*Record.* Born April 8, 1883, Decatur; son of Charles Anthony and Almira Theresa (Bobo) Battenberg. Student, Decatur. Enlisted July 22, 1901, Decatur. Graduate, Infantry School, Officers' Course, 1924. Training: Camp Wadsworth, S. C. Private, 19th Battery, Field Artillery, 1901-1904; private, 19th Battery, Field Artillery, private, 109th Company, Coast Artillery, regimental commissary sergeant, Noncommissioned Staff, private, and corporal, Battery D, 2d Field Artillery, private, Battery C, 5th Field Artillery, private, corporal, and sergeant, Company C, color sergeant and battalion sergeant major, Noncommissioned Staff, 29th Infantry, ordnance sergeant, Ordnance Department, regimental sergeant major, Headquarters Company, 33d Infantry, September 20, 1904-July 16, 1917; private, Quartermaster Corps, New York National Guard, July 19, 1917; captain, New York National Guard, July 21, 1917; major, National Guard, June 5, 1918; lieutenant colonel, Adjutant General's Department, U. S. Army, October 18, 1918; regimental sergeant major, 33d Infantry, August 20, 1919-February 4, 1920; second lieutenant, Philippine Scouts, February 5, 1920; second lieutenant, Infantry, November 15, 1920; captain, July 1, 1920; retired December 7, 1927; lieutenant colonel, retired, June 21, 1930. Overseas May 17, 1918-July 18, 1919. Awarded Conspicuous Service Cross of the state of New York, December 15, 1921.

Married Lillian Simer. Indianapolis.