

## 1st. Lieutenant William E. Greer, 1938

*In the newly designed pre-war mess dress uniform*



DARK BLUE: jacket and cap cover  
 WHITE: shirt and vest  
 BLACK: tie, shoes and top of cap visor  
 GREEN: underside of cap visor  
 RED: label facing, cap band, strip between two trouser stripes, ground for two stripes on sleeve cuffs.  
 SKY BLUE: trousers  
 GOLD: buttons, cap chin strap, lace strips on top and bottom of cap band, shoulder knots, sleeve cuff striping, service branch insignia, two stripes on trousers.

**ASSEMBLY** — To assemble your model you will need a sharp knife, fine files, quick-drying epoxy adhesive and cyanoacrylate cement. The latter should be used with care. Study the illustrations for the positioning of parts. Carefully remove all mold seam lines with a knife or file. Keep small bits and pieces in a box until ready to be used. Before cementing, position the pieces to check on their fit. Any spaces or gaps can be filled in with body putty; allow time to dry before working the surface. Plan the stages of assembly to follow the instruction guide. Do not paint the areas to be cemented. CAUTION: Some pieces are fragile and could break if not handled with extreme care. "WHEN EVERYTHING ELSE FAILS ... READ THE INSTRUCTIONS" This has been a philosophy of ours for years!

**NOTES** — Red on lapels did not extend out to dark blue edge. Distinguished Service Medal ribbon is white edged in blue with outer sections red. Soldier's Medal ribbon is white with six vertical red lines, outer sections are blue. Victory Medal ribbon has orange center edged with yellow, which in turn is edged with green and that is edged with light blue with a final edging of dark blue. The medals are bronze. The Distinguished Service Medal has a blue circumference band. The Series 77 Web site shows these in color.

**REFERENCES** — "US Army Regulations #600-38," dated Aug. 17, 1938; "The Horse Soldier 1776-1943 Vol. IV," Steffen, pp. 77; "Insignia and Decorations of the US Armed Forces," Dec. 1, 1944, National Geographic Society.