

HEADQUARTERS 97TH INFANTRY DIVISION

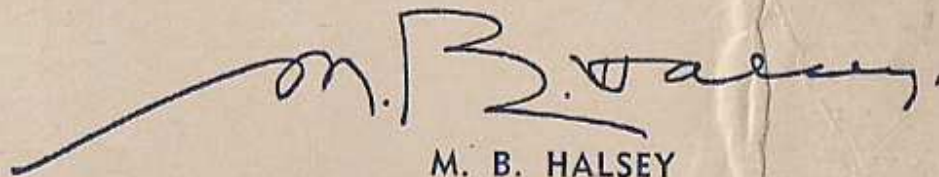
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On this Mother's Day, I wish to pay tribute to all the mothers of the men of the 97th Infantry Division. May I thank you for your courage during this hour of national need.

Your mother spirit of devotion will sustain our nation in its hour of trial. Your faith and the things in which you believe are the fundamental qualities on which our nation was founded and exists. Your mother spirit of sacrifice joins you to the other mothers of American history who willingly sent their sons into service of country.

It is my desire to build an organization of fighting men in this Division whose courage, resourcefulness, and devotion to duty will be of such quality that every mother will be proud of her son's part. We want to help build a better world — the kind in which you believe and for which you pray.

This is my personal greeting to wish you the blessing you so richly deserve.



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