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Sergeant Richard Matheney is back from Korea, now... with three medals to attest to his fourteen months of combat service...

The Navy Cross...

The enemy launched a 15 minute probing attack last April 23, and Sgt. Matheney's company caught it on the chin...

The main attack began about two hours later...
SESRANT, YOU'RE HIT!
I KNOW... LEMME GET TO THAT MACHINE GUN!

Four of the five men had been wounded by the time an order came down...
TH' ELEVENTH COMPANY IS FALLIN' BACK... BUT A COUPLE OF YOU HAVE GOT TO COVER US...
I'LL STAY... ALONG WITH YOU. YOU AIN'T BEEN SHOT YET

On they came, wave after wave! But the 20-year-old non-com only increased his deadly fire!

In all, thirty of the enemy fell to Sgt. Matheney's machine gun...
HOLY SMOKE! I COULD TOUGH HIM... IF I WANTED TO!

That ended the attack, for that night on orders, the sergeant fell back to the new line...

WELL, MATHENEY, THIS MUST BE THE IMPOSSIBLE HERE WE GO AGAIN...
THEY TALK ABOUT... IT'S TAKIN' US A LITTLE LONGER!

The Silver Star...

They killed th' lieutenant! TH' DIRTY!!
That means I take over.

In another action Matheney was with a forward observer team when...
Then he directed the artillery fire to within sixty yards of his own lines.
Left two mils, down five, fire three rounds for effect!

“He fearlessly moved through a hail of rifle and grenade fire to take the officer’s place among the defending infantrymen,” reads the citation...

Later, disregarding his own safety, the sergeant gathered grenades from wounded men, and...

That’s th’ way, Sergeant! Now try throwin’ a curve!

Leave him be? He’s doin’ all right with his fast ball?

The Bronze Star

Matheney volunteered to carry ammunition to a hard-pressed rifle and machine gun position...

Boy, it’s dark! Why don’t you ask the artillery for some illumination?

We did... But they couldn’t reach us!

Without light, them gooks can crawl right in on top of us!

Yeah... Wait? I think I have an idea!

Bright as day! What’s Matheney doin’?

He’s settin’ off trip flares... and look at those gooks out there! Just like ducks in a shootin’ gallery!