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EDDIE SLOVIK

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Private Eddie Slovik became--and remains--the only U.S. soldier executed for desertion since the Civil War. He deserted in France, August 1944, absenting himself for almost six weeks. His November court martial sentenced him to death. Although such sentences were routinely commuted, in this case execution of the sentence occurred 31 January 1945.

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