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Award of the Air Medal. . . . . Section I

Members of Headquarters, 455th Bomb Gp

SECTION I - AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 59, WDGCOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following named officer, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

FRANCIS C. DOBING, O-296612, Major, Madison, Wisconsin.
6 to 27 December 1944.

By command of Major General TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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Section
Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. . . I

Members of 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp

SECTION I - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residences as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated.

AIR MEDAL

FREDERICK J. BOYLE, O-2064394, Second Lieutenant, Hillsdale, New Jersey. 6 to 26 December 1944.

THEODORE R. COMBS, O-827613, Second Lieutenant, Freeport, New York. 6 to 26 December 1944.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

EDWARD R. EBER, O-723595, Second Lieutenant, Detroit, Michigan. 7 October to 28 December 1944.

FELICE ALFINO, 32899739, Technical Sergeant, Bronx, New York. 5 November to 26 December 1944.

DENNIS J. DELANEY, 36659464, Technical Sergeant, Chicago, Illinois. 20 October to 28 December 1944.

THOMAS J. FOX, 12079489, Staff Sergeant, Albany, New York. 20 October to 26 December 1944.

EUGENE R. FRANKLIN, 16075084, Staff Sergeant, Canton, Illinois. 20 October to 26 December 1944.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

ALBERT S. EDELSTEIN, O-822031, First Lieutenant, Sanford, Maine. 13 October to 26 December 1944.

JOSEPH S. FILIPSKY, O-769024, First Lieutenant, Akron, Ohio. 10 October to 28 December 1944.

WILLIAM C. OLIVER, 12034340, Technical Sergeant, Flemington, New Jersey. 5 November to 27 December 1944.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

PAUL R. DANELCH, O-1692814, First Lieutenant, Roxbury, Massachusetts. 20 October to 28 December 1944.

5 November to 28 December 1944.

CHARLES LICHTMAN, O-711720, First Lieutenant, New York City, New York. 10 October to 27 December 1944.

KENNETH L. PHILLIPS, O-772484, First Lieutenant, Van Meter, Iowa. 7 November to 28 December 1944.

WINTON S. REYNOLDS, O-699735, First Lieutenant, Los Angeles, California. 11 November to 28 December 1944.

VERNE L. WETTEL, O-771853, First Lieutenant, Woodland, California. 23 October to 27 December 1944.

EARL R. BEARS, 32934883, Technical Sergeant, De Peviet, New York. 7 November to 27 December 1944.

ILLIAM A. DAVIS, 13108625, Technical Sergeant, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. 5 November to 27 December 1944.

FRANK A. LOPETRONE, 36591240, Technical Sergeant, Detroit, Michigan. 16 November to 28 December 1944.

DEWITT MITCHELL, 11131620, Technical Sergeant, Medford, Massachusetts. 23 October to 26 December 1944.

JOSEPH P. CALANDRINO, 36449398, Staff Sergeant, Springfield, Illinois. 11 November to 28 December 1944.

WILLIAM C. LAWENBY, 34728464, Staff Sergeant, Brentwood, Tennessee. 7 November to 27 December 1944.

VINCENT E. LUTY, 12084414, Staff Sergeant, Poughkeepsie, New York. 7 October to 27 December 1944.

JOHN R. OTIS, 38536134, Staff Sergeant, Breckenridge, Texas. 5 November to 27 December 1944.

JOSEPH F. KRISTEL, 13112898, Sergeant, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 15 November to 27 December 1944.

By command of Major General TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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Section
Awards of Air Medal, missing in action. I
Awards of Air Medal. II

Members of 743rd Reinforcement Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. [illegible], WDCUS., 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following named personnel, missing in action, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

ROLLIN H. BATHEN, O-713884, Second Lieutenant, Aspenville, California. 3 to 20 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Margaret J. Bathen, (Wife), Aspenville, California.

RICHARD A. GINSBURG, O-2056816, Second Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois. 3 to 20 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Paul Ginsburg, (Mother), 2618 Farnell, Chicago, Illinois.

JULIUS C. PHILLIPS Jr., O-[illegible]22, Second Lieutenant, Fontana, California. 3 to 20 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Pollyanna Phillips, (Wife), Route # 1, Box 76, Fontana, California.

THOMAS E. BOYD, 33904600, Sergeant, Cockeysville, Maryland. 3 to 20 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Lucy M. Boyd, (Mother), Cockeysville, Maryland.

HENRY C. LERCHE, 16169575, Sergeant, Mount Morris, Michigan. 3 to 20 December 1944. Next of kin: Mr. Floyd H. Lerche, (Father), 1212 E. Mount Morris, Michigan.

ALBEN M. DAHM, 36597[illegible], Corporal, Detroit, Michigan. 3 to 20 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. [illegible]ie Dahm, (Mother), 7734 Redbury Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

WAYNE L. DARNELL, 37357[illegible], Corporal, Lermie, Wyoming. 3 to 20 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Pauline T. Darnell, (Wife), Lermie, Wyoming.

JOSEPH W. DOYLE, 12069[illegible]71, Corporal, Long Island, New York. 3 to 20 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Bruce E Doyle, (Mother), 60-[illegible] 59th Avenue, Maspeth, Long Island, New York.

ANDREW J. KEMP JR., 19[illegible]56, Corporal, Clovis, New Mexico. 3 to 20 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Andrew J. Kemp Sr., (Mother), 904 Axtell Street, Clovis, New Mexico.

SECTION II - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. [illegible], WDCUS., 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence

as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

WARREN S. ARENDT, O-705566, Second Lieutenant, Little Rock, Arkansas. 15 to 25 December 1944.

RUDOLF L. BENSON, O-719[illegible], Second Lieutenant, Worcester, Massachusetts. 6 to 20 December 1944.

MICHAEL J. VAIKO, 31273207, Corporal, Bridgeport, Connecticut. 6 to 20 December 1944.

By command of Major General TWINING:

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Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

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Section

Award of Air Medal, posthumous. I
Awards of Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, missing in action. II
Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. III

Members of 778th Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I - AWARD OF AIR MEDAL, POSTHUMOUS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 59, WDCUS, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded posthumously, the following named officer, Air Corps, Army of the United States, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

WILLIAM EHRENKRANZ, 0-825970, Second Lieutenant, Newark, New Jersey. 17 November to 15 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Dora I. Ehrenkranz, (Mother), 16 Edwin Place, Newark, New Jersey.

SECTION II - AWARDS OF ONE OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 59, WDCUS, 10 July 1944, the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal, is awarded the following named personnel, missing in action, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

KENNETH H. HINKLEY, 0-[illegible], First Lieutenant, Wilmington, Ohio. 4 November to 17 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Mildred E. Hinkley, (Wife), RFD # 3, Wilmington, Ohio.

MILES R. TRACY, 33721833, Technical Sergeant, Baltimore, Maryland. 13 October to 17 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Rothe Fay Tracy, (Mother), 1428 West Fayette Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

DUANE S. JORDAHL, 35[illegible], Staff Sergeant, Beloit, Wisconsin. 13 November to 17 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Hattie Jordahl, (Mother), 717½ Wisconsin Avenue, Beloit, Wisconsin.

SECTION III - AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUST. FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 59, WDCUS, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

CHARLES J. HENDAL, [illegible], Second Lieutenant, Beverly Hills, California. 17 November to 9 December 1944.

October 1944.

[illegible] K. HARLOW, T-127321, Flight Officer, Chicago, Illinois. 19 November to 17 December 1944.

JOHN J. B[illegible]N JR., 35142295, Technical Sergeant, East Chicago, Indiana. 16 November to 15 December 1944.

ADOLPHUS D. BROWN, 34772803, Technical Sergeant, Crumpler, North Carolina. 7 to 17 October 1944.

RICHARD O. STEVENS, 35210282, Technical Sergeant, Portsmouth, Ohio. 16 November to 15 December 1944.

WALTER C. DONALDSON, 33766663, Staff Sergeant, Brookville, Pennsylvania. 16 November to 15 December 1944.

DEAN L. GOLL, 37678674, Staff Sergeant, Garner, Iowa. 16 November to 15 December 1944.

ALBERT L. HARTMAN, 13041[illegible]38, Staff Sergeant, Homestead, Pennsylvania. 17 November to 9 December 1944.

JOSEPH WEISSLER, 36827555, Staff Sergeant, Troy, New York. 17 November to 9 December 1944.

SANFORD L. JONES, 35611717, Sergeant, Sulan, Kentucky. 16 November to 15 December 1944.

RICHARD WOJCIK, 33708344, Sergeant, Natrona, Pennsylvania. 16 November to 15 December 1944.

JOHN L. BRADY, 37662642, Corporal, Maquoketa, Iowa. 17 November to 9 December 1944.

EDWARD J. BOGDANOWICZ, 33711604, Corporal, Erie, Pennsylvania. 17 November to 16 December 1944.

FRANCIS J. BRENNAN, 42000506, Corporal, Elizabeth, New Jersey. 17 November to 9 December 1944.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

CLARK L. D[illegible]NCOLB, O-694225, First Lieutenant, Ilion, New York. 23 October to 16 December 1944.

JOSEPH V. [illegible]RISEK, O-776562, First Lieutenant, Lansford, Pennsylvania. 5 November to 9 December 1944.

WILLIAM S. LUDDEN, O-776[illegible]1, First Lieutenant, Inglewood, California. 12 October to 16 December 1944.

RICHARD J. VON SCHRILTZ, O-7[illegible]092, First Lieutenant, Dodge City, Kansas. 12 October to 16 December 1944.

GABRIEL [illegible]. FANE, O-825[illegible]4, Second Lieutenant, Louisville, Kentucky. 6 November to 17 December 1944.

DAN KINDER, O-926011, Second Lieutenant, Bronx, New York. 10 October to 9 December 1944.

EDWARD F. MEYERS, 0-926013, Second Lieutenant, Elsberry, Missouri. 20 October to 9 December 1944.

JAMES MARTIN, 17031691, Technical Sergeant, Venice, California. 20 October to 9 December 1944.

MARTIN D. POTASH, 32757714, Technical Sergeant, Trenton, New Jersey. 16 November to 20 December 1944.

DAVID VALUSKA, 39045777, Technical Sergeant, Virginville, West Virginia. 16 November to 20 December 1944.

HERBERT T. BOSCHUNG JR., RA19077[illegible], Staff Sergeant, Birmingham, Alabama. 16 November to 20 December 1944.

GEORGE W. CARTER, 38440829, Staff Sergeant, Denton, Texas. 20 October to 9 December 1944.

JAMES M. COMUNIELLO, 32[illegible]457, Staff Sergeant, Brooklyn, New York. 13 October to 6 December 1944.

GEORGE I. DIX, 38541822, Staff Sergeant, Houston, Texas. 20 October to 9 December 1944.

MICHAEL H. HARDISON, 38564080, Staff Sergeant, Bromide, Oklahoma. 16 November to 20 December 1944.

JACK S. LLOYD, 38479135, Staff Sergeant, Saeul, Texas. 20 October to 9 December 1944.

JOHN E. LACHUGA, 33711607, Staff Sergeant, Erie, Pennsylvania. 16 November to 20 December 1944.

WALDO E. JACOBSON, 39520[illegible]1, Staff Sergeant, Springville, Utah. 16 November to 20 December 1944.

CARL E. ROHRER, 1506030, Staff Sergeant, Wakarusa, Indiana. 20 October to 15 December 1944.

EDWARD G. SPENCER, 31[illegible]76, Staff Sergeant, New Haven, Connecticut. 5 November to 9 December 1944.

JOSEPH A. JENSIN, 17050[illegible], Private, Denver, Colorado. 4 November to 17 December 1944.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (HQ ETO)

DONALD C. CROSBY, 0-92[illegible], First Lieutenant, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. 13 October to 18 December 1944.

LOUIS E. DOLAN, 0-926[illegible], First Lieutenant, Youngstown, Ohio. 6 November to 18 December 1944.

WILLIAM B. GRIMM JR., 0-[illegible], First Lieutenant, Bethesda, Maryland. 4 November to 18 December 1944.

[illegible]ITH L. GUNN, 0-[illegible], First Lieutenant, Birmingham, Alabama. 23 October to 20 December 1944.

[illegible]RTIN D. O'MALLEY, 0-[illegible], First Lieutenant, Susquehanna, Pennsylvania. 3 November to 18 December 1944.

ALEXANDER G. BATHIE, 32837996, Technical Sergeant, Glen Cove, Long Island, New York. 13 October to 12 December 1944.

ROBERT E. PARK, 33246163, Technical Sergeant, State College, Pennsylvania. 13 October to 12 December 1944.

GORDON G. ELDRIDGE, 34009029, Staff Sergeant, Charlotte, North Carolina. 13 October to 12 December 1944.

SOLOMON C. GOLDBERG, 33748425, Staff Sergeant, Washington, D. C. 13 October to 12 December 1944.

ARNOLD P. KARON, 16161863, Staff Sergeant, Rock Island, Illinois. 13 October to 20 December 1944.

WILLIAM S. PALMER, 33342219, Staff Sergeant, Eugene, Oregon. 13 October to 12 December 1944.

WILLIAM P. MOORE, 18061269, Technical Sergeant, Bryan, Texas. 1 November to 16 December 1944.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

DOMINICK A. GREY, O-812979, First Lieutenant, Belle Vernon, Pennsylvania. 4 October to 15 December 1944.

HENRY A. HANSEN, O-711394, First Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois. 10 October to 15 December 1944.

FREDERICK W. VOSS, O-1340459, Second Lieutenant, South Bend, Indiana. 16 October to 16 December 1944.

FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER (SILVER)

JACK C. LEWIS, 11029647, Staff Sergeant, Bridgewater, Maine. 22 September to 5 November 1944.

SEVENTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

JACK C. LEWIS, 11029647, Staff Sergeant, Bridgewater, Maine. 6 November to 20 December 1944.

By command of Major General TWINING:

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Awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross. . . . . Section I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation:

For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations. Throughout many long and hazardous combat missions against vital strategic targets deep in enemy occupied territory, though confronted by heavy enemy opposition from highly aggressive enemy fighters and intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire, the personnel listed below have consistently displayed outstanding courage, aggressiveness and intense devotion to duty throughout all engagements. With their aircraft frequently severely damaged by heavy enemy fire, these men have courageously remained at their stations, battling their way through to their targets to aid materially in the utter destruction of vitally important enemy installations and supplies. Heedless of severe and adverse weather conditions encountered over rugged mountainous terrain and surmounting many other major obstacles that faced them during these hazardous missions, these men have gallantly engaged, fought and defeated the enemy with complete disregard for their personal safety and against overwhelming odds. The conspicuous and extraordinary achievements throughout these many missions against the enemy have been of inestimable value to successful combat operations and have reflected great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

IRVING R. ABRAVAYA, O-794157, Captain, 739th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Brooklyn, New York. Pilot, Austria, 10 September 1944.

JEFFREY B. ROBERTS, O-740926, Captain, 757th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, Simms, Montana. Pilot, Germany, 4 October 1944.

BRADFORD H. ALLEN, O-771262, First Lieutenant, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Salt Lake City, Utah. Co-pilot, Czechoslovakia, 16 December 1944.

GEORGE H. BASLER, O-749744, First Lieutenant, 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Hoboken, New Jersey. Navigator, Germany, 14 December 1944.

NORBERT R. BATCHELDER, O-705289, First Lieutenant, 756th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, Seattle, Washington. Pilot, Germany, 22 September 1944.

CHARLES V. EARLEY, O-816915, First Lieutenant, 744th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Auburndale, Massachusetts. Pilot, Germany, 4 October 1944.

HENRY A. LANGE, O-823389, First Lieutenant, 736th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, New York, New York. Pilot, Poland, 18 December 1944.

FRANC P. LARSON, O-699429, First Lieutenant, 454th Bomb Gp, (DS to ACRU), Long Beach, California. Pilot, Yugoslavia, 1 November 1944. "MISSING IN ACTION." Next of kin: Mrs. Bessie I. Thomas,(MOther), 2415 East 2nd Street, Long Beach, California.

JACK O. SEAY, O-819329, First Lieutenant, 738th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Roanoke, Virginia. Pilot, Rumania, 26 August 1944.

EDWIN D. STERN, O-716547, First Lieutenant, 739th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Navigator, Germany, 17 December 1944.

WAYMAN R. THOMPSON, O-693343, First Lieutenant, 739th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Pilot, Austria, 16 October 1944.

WILLIAM J. BAIRD, O-828064, Second Lieutenant, 759th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, Devon, Pennsylvania. Pilot, Germany, 17 December 1944.

RAYMOND D. DUBOWICZ, 13178954, Staff Sergeant, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Allentown, Pennsylvania. Engineer, Czechoslovakia, 16 December 1944.

By command of Major General TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
Colonel, GSC,
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Section
Awards of Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, posthumous. I
Awards of Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, missing in action. II
Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. III

Members of 740th Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL, POSTHUMOUS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 9, HQ, USAAF, 10 July 1944, the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal, is awarded posthumously, the following named enlisted men, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

NORMAN D. MILLER, 33750650, Technical Sergeant, Three Springs, Pennsylvania. 14 October to 25 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Jean Miller, (Wife), Three Springs, Pennsylvania.

EDWARD S. GUMINSKI, 11057610, Staff Sergeant, Worcester, Massachusetts. 14 October to 25 December 1944. Next of kin: Mr. Charles Guminski, (Father), 307 Millbury Street, Worcester, Massachusetts.

SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 9, HQ, USAAF, 10 July 1944, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal, is awarded the following named enlisted men, missing in action, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

HENRY C. BELCHER, 11103792, Technical Sergeant, Clinton, Connecticut. 1 November to 26 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Marion Belcher, (Mother), 34 Commerce Street, Clinton, Connecticut.

CHARLES H. CROWLEY, 36033933, Technical Sergeant, Chicago, Illinois. 1 November to 26 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Ruby Steinmayer, (Mother), 1311 West 72nd Place, Chicago, Illinois.

ARTHUR R. BOUCHER, 11130540, Staff Sergeant, Waterbury, Connecticut. 1 November to 26 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Hanna D. Boucher, (Mother), 34 Whittlesey Avenue, Waterbury, Connecticut.

PAUL E. BROWN, 37533431, Staff Sergeant, Albany, Missouri. 1 November to 26 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Margaret M. Brown, (Mother), Albany, Missouri.

DANA I. KELLEHER, 31400632, Staff Sergeant, South Paris, Maine. 1 November to 26 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Annie K. Kelleher, (Wife), Box 184, South Paris, Maine.

EUGENE D. SCERBO, 31417032, Staff Sergeant, North Adams, Massachusetts. 1 November to 26 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Scerbo, (Mother), 7 Nelson Street, North Adams, Massachusetts.

SECTION III - AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 59, WDTOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

JAMES D. WELLS, O-775221, First Lieutenant, Los Angeles, California. 11 to 20 October 1944.

JOHN F. GALBRAITH, O-711964, Second Lieutenant, Elmira Heights, New York. 17 November to 20 December 1944.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

RICHARD H. HOLLROCK, O-822704, First Lieutenant, Crestwood, New York. 17 November to 28 December 1944.

JAMES D. WELLS, O-775221, First Lieutenant, Los Angeles, California. 23 October to 26 December 1944.

VARTAN HAROUTUNIAN, O-2063549, Second Lieutenant, Everett, Massachusetts. 22 November to 28 December 1944.

GEORGE A. JENSEN, O-709585, Second Lieutenant, San Francisco, California. 23 October to 26 December 1944.

HAROLD D. BACKMAN, T-129401, Flight Officer, Dover, New Hampshire. 18 November to 27 December 1944.

JOHN J. CAUFIELD, 32933542, Technical Sergeant, Rochester, New York. 17 November to 28 December 1944.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

ROBERT T. MILLER, O-1540430, Second Lieutenant, Dubuque, Iowa. 3 November to 27 December 1944.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

IRVING RITKES, O-1692791, Second Lieutenant, Bronx, New York. 14 October to 26 December 1944.

HOWARD R. COOPER, 32939593, Staff Sergeant, Jamaica, New York. 11 October to 28 December 1944.

By command of Major General TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

J. M. IVINS,
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Adjutant General.

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Section

Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. I

Members of 741st Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 69, WATCUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

JAMES A. HEAD, O-725062, First Lieutenant, Calhoun City, Mississippi. 6 to 26 December 1944.

DOUGLAS W. BROWN, O-721636, Second Lieutenant, Highland Park, Illinois. 6 to 29 December 1944.

JOHN E. OXLER, O-2065817, Second Lieutenant, Kansas City, Missouri. 6 to 29 December 1944.

WALTER E. BURKHART, 37730643, Corporal, Virgil, Kansas. 6 to 29 December 1944.

JOHN DUNHAM, 36230366, Corporal, Springfield, Illinois. 6 to 29 December 1944.

HARRY C. DUPREE, 34678509, Corporal, Angier, North Carolina. 6 to 29 December 1944.

NICK J. MAGGIO, 35914120, Corporal, Cleveland, Ohio. 6 to 29 December 1944.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

RICHARD A. SURBECK, O-499349, First Lieutenant, Camas, Washington. 18 November to 29 December 1944.

CHARLES W. PAINTER JR., O-26275, Second Lieutenant, Conestoga, Pennsylvania. 7 November to 26 December 1944.

LELAND F. COLE, 12035761, Sergeant, Scotia, New York. 16 November to 28 December 1944.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

EUGENE R. KERR, O-722495, Second Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois. 23 October to 16 December 1944.

ANGELO J. BISINELLA, 36656156, Technical Sergeant, Chicago, Illinois. 1 November to 28 December 1944.

CHARLES A. MALLORY, 6975450, Technical Sergeant, Jamaica, New York. 4 October to 18 December 1944.

LEK S. BLACKMAN, 36455732, Staff Sergeant, Jackson, Michigan. 6 November to 26 December 1944.

OSEPH R. KIERNAN, 33806571, Staff Sergeant, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 4 October to 18 December 1944.

ILTON E. MONTGOMERY, 36626230, Staff Sergeant, Rising Star, Texas. 4 October to 23 December 1944.

STANLEY SKARZENSKI, 33680557, Staff Sergeant, Erie, Pennsylvania. 3 November to 28 December 1944.

ICHAEL J. STESLOW, 13194016, Staff Sergeant, Frackville, Pennsylvania. 23 September to 20 December 1944.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

DONALD P. BATCHELDER, O-722900, First Lieutenant, Danvers, Massachusetts. 12 to 28 December 1944.

VERVIN R. GILSON, O-719910, First Lieutenant, Payson, Utah. 14 October to 26 December 1944.

THOMAS E. HASSEM, O-712561, First Lieutenant, Gillett, Pennsylvania. 20 November to 27 December 1944.

STEWART S. KNAPP, O-722327, First Lieutenant, Belleville, New Jersey. 6 November to 29 December 1944.

WILLIAM T. MC GAHRAN, O-772069, First Lieutenant, New York City, New York. 18 November to 29 December 1944.

SAM H. TAYLOR JR., 16175369, Technical Sergeant, Santa Monica, California. 14 October to 27 December 1944.

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Awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross. . . . . Section I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation:

For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations. Consistently performing vital strategic combat missions against heavy enemy opposition from highly aggressive fighter aircraft and intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire, the personnel listed below have displayed outstanding courage, aggressiveness and intense devotion to duty throughout all engagements. Although their aircraft have been frequently severely damaged by heavy enemy opposition, these men have consistently fought through to their targets, aiding materially in the utter destruction of important enemy installations. Bringing their ships through severe and adverse weather conditions, over rugged terrain and surmounting many other major obstacles, these men have gallantly engaged, fought and defeated the enemy with complete disregard for their personal safety and against overwhelming odds. Their conspicuous and extraordinary achievements throughout these many missions against the enemy have been of inestimable value to successful combat operations and have reflected great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

JOHN R. BALMER, O-690904, First Lieutenant, 736th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, St. Louis, Missouri. Co-pilot, Rumania, 22 July 1944.

MICHAEL G. BOOSALIS, O-717032, First Lieutenant, 515th Bomb Sq, 376th Bomb Gp, Fairbault, Minnesota. Bombardier, Rumania, 9 July 1944.

WILLIAM S. GLASS, O-555718, First Lieutenant, 722nd Bomb Sq, 450th Bomb Gp, Memphis, Tennessee. Bombardier, Yugoslavia, 23 November 1944.

HENRY A. HANSEN, O-711394, First Lieutenant, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Chicago, Illinois. Navigator, Germany, 13 October 1944.

EARL E. KOEHLER, O-819541, First Lieutenant, 736th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Mt. Carmel, Illinois. Co-pilot, Germany, 13 October 1944.

EDWARD M. KOLEK, O-821297, First Lieutenant, 717th Bomb Sq, 449th Bomb Gp, Gettsville, New York. Pilot, Rumania, 17 August 1944.

THOMAS J. MC MAHON, O-716751, First Lieutenant, 723rd Bomb Sq, 450th Bomb Gp, Los Angeles, California. Bombardier, Yugoslavia, 23 November 1944.

WILLIAM H. MC GILL, O-771477, Second Lieutenant, 816th Bomb Sq, 483rd Bomb Gp, Jackson Heights, New York. Co-pilot, Austria, 10 September 1944.

HERBERT G. REEVE, 16029227, Technical Sergeant, 717th Bomb Sq, 449th Bomb Gp, LaSalle, Illinois. Gunner, Rumania, 16 April 1944.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

CHARLES W. LEAVITT, JR., O-662279, Captain, 721st Bomb Sq, 450th Bomb Gp, Houston, Texas. Bombardier, Yugoslavia, 5 November 1944.

AMBROSE Y. MAUSHART, O-768825, First Lieutenant, 723rd Bomb Sq, 450th Bomb Gp, New York City, New York. Bombardier, Hungary, 6 December 1944.

DOYLE A. MYERS, O-709953, First Lieutenant, 720th Bomb Sq, 450th Bomb Gp, Atlanta, Georgia. Bombardier, Italy, 12 November 1944.

JAMES L. STUART, 38468474, Technical Sergeant, 716th Bomb Sq, 449th Bomb Gp, Delaware, Oklahoma. Engineer, Austria, 11 December 1944.

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Section

Awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross. I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named officers, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation:

For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations. Showing a high order of courage, leadership and professional skill, these gallant air crew members have distinguished themselves throughout many long and hazardous combat missions against the enemy despite severe and adverse weather conditions and enemy opposition by large numbers of fighter aircraft and intense, accurate and heavy anti-aircraft fire. Displaying great combat spirit and aggressiveness, these men have met, engaged and defeated the enemy regardless of the odds and in spite of the fact that at times their planes were so severely damaged that only by extraordinary skill and fortitude were they able to fight their way through to the objective and aid in the grave damage inflicted upon the enemy. By their heroism, skill and airmanship, as shown throughout their combat careers, together with their intense devotion to duty during this period of intense combat operations against the enemy, these men have upheld the highest traditions of the Military Service, thereby reflecting great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

GEORGE S. ROBERTS, O-441127, Major, Headquarters, 332nd Ftr Gp, Fairmont, West Virginia. Pilot, Yugoslavia, 8 September 1944.

EUGENE B. LENFEST, O-807859, Captain, 830th Bomb Sq, 485th Bomb Gp, Winter Park, Florida. Pilot, Austria, 29 May 1944.

BERNARD L. BALL, O-709111, First Lieutenant, 717th Bomb Sq, 449th Bomb Gp, Kaw City, Oklahoma. Pilot, Yugoslavia, 23 November 1944.

OLIVER BRYANT, O-762243, First Lieutenant, 49th Ftr Sq, 14th Ftr Gp, Wilmar, California. Pilot, Hungary, 6 December 1944.

FRANCIS K. CHATILLON, O-718244, First Lieutenant, 761st Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Syracuse, New York. Navigator, Germany, 2 December 1944.

PAUL D. CORKILL, O-717627, First Lieutenant, 718th Bomb Sq, 449th

JOSEPH R. FITZPATRICK, O-1691657, First Lieutenant, 4th Ftr Sq, 52nd Ftr Gp, Excelsior Springs, Missouri. Pilot, Rumania, 4 August 1944.

SAMUEL E. JERNAZIAM, O-723977, First Lieutenant, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Dorchester, Massachusetts. Bombardier, Poland, 26 December 1944.

WILLIAM W. LEE, O-818169, First Lieutenant, 776th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Sulphur, Oklahoma. Pilot, Czechoslovakia, 24 August 1944. "MISSING IN ACTION." Next of kin: Mr. Asis Adolph Lee, (Father), 1006 West 16th Street, Sulphur, Oklahoma.

JAMES S. MAC LEAN, JR., O-723645, First Lieutenant, 739th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Washington, D. C. Navigator, Germany, 16 December 1944.

CHARLES L. MC CLOSKEY, JR., O-1692884, First Lieutenant, 5th Ftr Sq, 52nd Ftr Gp, Stow, Ohio. Pilot, Germany, 17 December 1944.

THOMAS R. PREWITT, O-722886, First Lieutenant, 779th Bomb Sq,464th Bomb Gp, Bolivar, Tennessee. Navigator, Austria, 10 September 1944.

WAYNE M. PYLES, O-705796, First Lieutenant, 759th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, Rudy, Arkansas. Pilot, Germany, 2 December 1944.

MANNIE E. RASK, O-704742, First Lieutenant, 309th Ftr Sq, 31st Ftr Gp, Victoria, Illinois. Pilot, Poland, 17 December 1944.

JOHN H. BROWNING, JR., O-828940, Second Lieutenant, 343rd Bomb Sq, 98th Bomb Gp, Terra Alta, Virginia. Co-pilot, Italy, 7 November 1944.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

WALTER SAUER, O-695771, First Lieutenant, 721st Bomb Sq, 450th Bomb Gp, Trenton, Michigan. Pilot, Germany, 4 November 1944.

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SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS, KILLED IN ACTION

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded the following named officers, Killed in Action, Air Corps, United States Army, residence and citation as indicated:

RICHARD D. DOWIATT, O-702775, First Lieutenant, 317th Ftr Sq, 325th Ftr Gp. For extraordinary achievement in aerial flight as pilot of a P-51 type aircraft. On 21 August 1944, Lt Dowiatt participated in a fighter sweep over an enemy airdrome in Hungary. After effectively completing the assigned task of sweeping the target area, Lt Dowiatt and his formation continued circling the airdrome. Observing that only a few of the aircraft had been hit by the bombers, despite the heavy damage inflicted on the enemy installations, Lt Dowiatt, with complete realization of the danger of low level attack, made seven complete passes. The attacks were so skillfully executed and the area so well covered that thirty-seven (37) aircraft were severely damaged or destroyed and many others damaged. The extraordinary flying skill evidenced by Lt Dowiatt contributed materially to the devastating blow inflicted on the enemy. By his consistent display of outstanding flying skill, courage and devotion to duty, together with his personal record of five enemy aircraft destroyed while participating in twenty-six (26) combat missions, Lt Dowiatt has reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Residence at appointment: Westville, Illinois. Next of kin: Mrs. Mildred Dowiatt, (Mother), 506 North State Street, Westville, Illinois.

ROBERT A. FISCHER, O-699011, First Lieutenant, 317th Ftr Sq, 325th Ftr Gp. For extraordinary achievement in aerial flight as pilot of a P-51 type aircraft. On 1 September 1944, Lt Fischer participated in a low level strafing mission on an enemy airdrome in Hungary. Arriving over the target at the designated time, Lt Fischer immediately initiated an attack across the center of the airdrome, destroying one enemy aircraft. Lt Fischer then made a second daring low level run, seriously damaging two aircraft. Despite the high intensity of automatic weapons fire, Lt Fischer, though completely aware of his extreme vulnerability to the alerted gun crews, made four additional attacks. The courage and exceptional flying skill evidenced by Lt Fischer resulted in a severe blow to the enemy, for out of seventy-seven enemy aircraft on the ground, he and his fellow pilots destroyed or severely damaged thirty-eight (38). By his exemplary leadership, superb courage and devotion to duty, together with his personal record of two enemy

while participating in thirty-three (33) combat missions, Lt Fischer has reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Residence at appointment: Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Next of kin: Mrs. Harriett Fischer, (Wife), 2320 North 61st Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

ALLEN B. LARSEN, O-680660, First Lieutenant, 736th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, For extraordinary achievement in aerial flight as pilot of a B-24 type aircraft. On 3 March 1944, while participating in a mission against highly important and strategic enemy installations in Italy, severe enemy opposition by fighter and anti-aircraft fire caused severe damage to his aircraft. Through superb airmanship and courageous leadership, Lt Larsen continued through to the objective, aiding materially in the tremendous damage inflicted upon the enemy. Despite continued savage resistance by the enemy after leaving the target area, Lt Larsen, through his courage and decisive action, made possible the safe return of his plane and crew. By his outstanding combat proficiency, and devotion to duty, as evidenced throughout his combat career, Lt Larsen has reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Residence at appointment: Wasua, Nebraska. Next of kin: Mrs. Wilma S. Larsen, (Wife), 1235 Pennsylvania Avenue, San Diego, California.

SECTION II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Silver Star is awarded the following named officer, Missing in Action, Air Corps, United States Army, residence and citation as indicated:

WAYNE L. LOWRY, O-665211, Captain, 317th Ftr Sq, 325th Ftr Gp, For gallantry in action as pilot of a P-51 type aircraft. On 8 July 1944, Capt Lowry led a formation on an escort mission providing cover for bombers attacking vital enemy installations in Austria. While providing target withdrawal support, Capt Lowry skillfully led his formation against a formation of enemy fighters preparing to attack the bombers and successfully repulsed them. During the aerial battle, Capt Lowry attacked the lead enemy plane and identified another force of sixteen enemy fighters stalking beneath the clouds in preparation for an assault on the bomber force. Realizing that instantaneous action was essential in order to divert the surprise assault on the bombers, Capt Lowry, without aid, courageously initiated the attack. His daring display of valor forced the enemy formation to break attack and in the ensuing fifteen minute encounter he destroyed one enemy aircraft, probably destroyed a second and damaged a third. By his supreme risk and exceptional courage in singly attacking and completely diverting the large enemy force from the bombers, together with his outstanding combat proficiency as evidenced by eleven enemy aircraft destroyed in aerial flight in sixty-five (65) successful combat missions, Capt Lowry has upheld the highest traditions of the Military Service, thereby reflecting great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Residence at appointment: Mason City, Nebraska. Next of kin: Mr. Maurice T. Lowry, Father, Route #2, Mason City, Nebraska.

SECTION III - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant

citation as indicated:

ROBERT W. BAKER, 37653293, Technical Sergeant, 741st Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp. For extraordinary achievement in aerial flight as Radio Operator and Waist Gunner of a B-24 type aircraft. On 27 July 1944, Sgt Baker participated in a bombing mission against a highly important enemy target in Hungary. Enroute to, over and from the target area, his formation was vigorously attacked by large groups of aggressive enemy aircraft which pressed home their attacks to close range. During the engagement, Sgt Baker was hit by shell fragments and was seriously wounded. Despite his injuries and the accompanying loss of blood, shock and pain, he stayed at his position and with complete disregard for his personal safety, probably destroyed one enemy fighter and damaged another. Leaving the target area, he continued courageously in the defense of his aircraft, successfully warding off all subsequent attacks until the last enemy plane had been driven off. By his outstanding courage, professional skill and devotion to duty in the face of grave dangers, as evidenced throughout more than thirty-five (35) successful missions against the enemy, Sgt Baker has reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Residence at enlistment: Iowa Falls, Iowa.

SECTION IV - AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Soldier's Medal is awarded the following named officer, Chaplain Corps, United States Army, residence and citation as indicated:

JOHN P. DUGGAN, O-434991, Captain, Headquarters, 98th Bomb Gp. For heroism at great risk of life at an Allied airbase in Italy. On 15 August 1944, observing a B-24 type aircraft crash and burst into flames while taking off on a combat mission, Capt Duggan immediately rushed to the scene of the accident. Heedless of the imminent danger of further bomb explosion, together with the intense heat from the burning debris and exploding ammunition, Capt Duggan made his way through the wreckage and aided in extricating a seriously injured crew member. Displaying outstanding courage, he remained in the area until assured that all had been done for the crew members. By his conspicuous heroism and devotion to duty, in risking his life to save the life of another, Capt Duggan has reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Residence at appointment: Niagara Falls, New York.

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Awards of Air Medal. . . . . Section I

Members of 741st Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 69, WATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

ARVIL C. BIRDSELL, O-777423, Second Lieutenant, Fresno, California. 6 to 29 December 1944.

ARTHUR PARK, O-2065818, Second Lieutenant, Ponca City, Oklahoma. 6 to 29 December 1944.

ALBERT R. COLLINS, 35758252, Sergeant, Westen, West Virginia. 6 to 29 December 1944.

CLAY K. CRUMP JR., 37243092, Sergeant, Hunter, Missouri. 6 to 29 December 1944.

RUSSELL F. DORN, 33835231, Sergeant, Sellerville, Pennsylvania. 6 to 29 December 1944.

EDWARD J. KOCHANEK, 36880317, Sergeant, Detroit, Michigan. 6 to 29 December 1944.

HARRY L. PONTON, 33213017, Sergeant, Dunchan, Virginia. 6 to 29 December 1944.

AURUM C. JOHNSON, 37015397, Corporal, Anderson, Missouri. 6 to 29 December 1944.

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Section
Awards of the Air Medal, Missing in Action. I
Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal II

Members of 742nd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I--AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to the following named personnel, missing in action, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

WALTER F. GOSS, O-721704, Second Lieutenant, Wilmington, Massachusetts. 15 to 29 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Walter Goss, (Mother), 6 Cottage Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts.

ROBERT F. HAGUE, T-5700, Flight Officer, East Orange, New Jersey. 17 to 29 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Adolphe Hague, (Mother), 46 South Maple Avenue, East Orange, New Jersey.

KENNETH (NMI) DUNCAN, JR., 15303783, Corporal, Gary, Indiana. 17 to 29 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. C. D. Battershell, (Mother), 1960 West 12th Avenue, Gary, Indiana.

THOMAS M. FERGUSON, 35297212, Corporal, Sidney, Ohio. 17 to 29 December 1944. Next of kin: Mr. M. C. Ferguson, (Father), RFD #5, Sidney, Ohio.

DOUGLAS H. LONG, 34776477, Corporal, Gastonia, North Carolina. 17 to 29 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. George H. Long, (Mother), Modena Street, Extension, Gastonia, North Caroline.

GEORGE D. MC CLAIN, JR., 13175086, Corporal, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 17 to 29 December 1944. Next of kin: Mr. George D. McClain, Sr., (Father), 1903 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CHARLES T. MC DONALD, 37167976, Corporal, Duluth, Minnesota. 17 to 29 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. J. T. Mc Donald, (Mother), 804 Lake Avenue, South Duluth, Minnesota.

IVAN W. RICHMAN, 17153978, Corporal, Minneapolis, Minnesota. 17 to 29 December 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Merle Richman, (Wife), 2123 Emerson Avenue North, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

SECTION II--AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed,

is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

JAMES O. ADAMS, 0-709713, Second Lieutenant, Fort Worth, Texas. 6 to 29 December 1944.

LEO (NMI) BRICKER, 12227538, Sergeant, Brooklyn, New York. 7 November 1944 to 4 January 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

LEWIS A. TOLLMAN, 0-703410, Second Lieutenant, Palmyra, Illinois. 17 October to 29 December 1944.

NORRIS T. BOSWELL, 16162334, Staff Sergeant, Sesser, Illinois. 11 November 1944 to 4 January 1945.

JAMES H. BUDA, 42015945, Sergeant, Orange, New Jersey. 11 November 1944 to 4 January 1945.

FRANCIS W. PAULEY, 37726522, Sergeant, Newtown, Missouri. 11 November 1944 to 4 January 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

PAT S. CLEAR, 0-709772, First Lieutenant, Hamburg, Iowa. 5 November 1944 4 January 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

RICHARD A. MITCHELL, JR., 33595590, Staff Sergeant, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 20 October to 20 December 1944.

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Section

Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. . I

Members of 743rd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp

SECTION I - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

DANIEL G. GILL, O-825149, Second Lieutenant, Nesbitt, Mississippi. 11 November to 27 December 1944.

JAMES K. RITTERBUSCH, O-2065828, Second Lieutenant, Bland, Missouri. 9 to 29 December 1944.

HAROLD R. SYVERSON, O-714754, Second Lieutenant, Tacoma, Washington. 17 to 29 December 1944.

FRED R. MESELBARTH, T-126640, Flight Officer, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 17 November to 25 December 1944.

ROSCOE J. ASHTON, 35805189, Staff Sergeant, Norwood, Ohio. 17 November to 25 December 1944.

NED C. CUMMINGS, 33247669, Staff Sergeant, State College, Pennsylvania. 6 to 28 December 1944.

ROBERT J. DAY, 13158034, Staff Sergeant, State College, Pennsylvania. 6 to 28 December 1944.

LEONARD S. GRZEFKOWICZ, 36671446, Staff Sergeant, Chicago, Illinois. 7 November to 25 December 1944.

LOYD HOOK, 37583575, Staff Sergeant, Webster, South Dakota. 17 November to 25 December 1944.

JAMES T. MACKINNON, 39709289, Staff Sergeant, Venice, California. 11 November to 25 December 1944.

HAROLD L. MARTIN, 34877413, Staff Sergeant, D'Lo, Mississippi. 11 November to 25 December 1944.

LEWIS A. MOENK, 37681334, Staff Sergeant, Wyoming, Iowa. 16 November to 28 December 1944.

DONALD C. MULLER, 33761989, Staff Sergeant, Indiana, Pennsylvania. 16 to 25 December 1944.

JOHN F. SCOTT, JR., 16227006, Staff Sergeant, Houston, Texas.
6 to 27 December 1944.

DONALD D. SHORES, 34897877, Staff Sergeant, Sparta, North Carolina.
17 November to 27 December 1944.

HERMAN A. SIMON, 32907225, Staff Sergeant, Brooklyn, New York.
20 November to 25 December 1944.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

MICHAEL J. ARMANDO, O-557058, First Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois.
25 November to 28 December 1944.

GEORGE J. CYR, O-664144, First Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois.
23 October to 27 December 1944.

RICHARD C. HIMES, O-825169, First Lieutenant, Dayton, Ohio.
16 November to 27 December 1944.

HAROLD B. BERMAN, O-1540522, Second Lieutenant, New York City, New York. 21 October to 28 December 1944.

JAMES E. REDDY, O-1540505, Second Lieutenant, Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvenia. 16 October to 27 December 1944.

JOHN O. ROFSTAD, T-128474, Flight Officer, Chicago, Illinois.
18 November to 28 December 1944.

JOHN T. ALLEN, 33438572, Staff Sergeant, Butler, Pennsylvania.
1 November to 28 December 1944.

BERNARD BLOOM, 39263073, Staff Sergeant, Los Angeles, California.
17 October to 29 December 1944.

INGRAM E. BOUDOUSQUIE, 14095776, Staff Sergeant, Madison, Mississippi
17 October to 27 December 1944.

ERNEST F. D'ANDRIA, 32689402, Staff Sergeant, Long Island City, New York. 11 November to 26 December 1944.

ANTHONY DELGALLO, 31364052, Staff Sergeant, North Quincy, Massachusetts. 16 October to 25 December 1944.

GEORGE ELLIS, 13044537, Staff Sergeant, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
17 November to 28 December 1944.

RALPH R. HELMERS, 37683641, Sergeant, Algona, Iowa.
18 November to 29 December 1944.

THOMAS J. NAZARCHYK, 33609526, Sergeant, Catwissa, Pennsylvania.
16 November to 27 December 1944.

RICHARD L. O'CONNOR, 35778162, Sergeant, Huntington, West Virginia.
18 November to 29 December 1944.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

JAMES D. GOULD, III, 34823177, Staff Sergeant, Brunswick, Georgia.
17 November to 29 December 1944.

FRANKLYN V. MESSENGER, JR., 33588195, Staff Sergeant, Philadelphia,

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

CHARLES S. MCHUGH, O-828729, First Lieutenant, Westwood, New Jersey.
17 November to 25 December 1944.

JAMES E. ANDERSON, 36768973, Staff Sergeant, Chicago, Illinois.
1 November to 6 December 1944.

CHARLES R. REED, 19124385, Staff Sergeant, Circle, Montana.
1 to 22 November 1944.

JOSEPH A. SOLEK, 36735577, Staff Sergeant, Cleveland, Ohio.
17 November to 27 December 1944.

SEVENTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

ROBERT J. DEWITT, JR., 18063759, Staff Sergeant, Arlington, Texas.
19 November to 28 December 1944.

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Section
Corrections of General Orders. I
Award of Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. II

SECTION I - CORRECTIONS OF GENERAL ORDERS

1. So much of Sec I, GO # 4344, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Air Medal to ROBERT L. ANDERSON, O-811506, First Lieutenant, 414th Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp, is hereby rescinded.

2. So much of Sec I, GO # 5066, this Hq, 1944 series, as pertains to DOMINICK A. GREY, O-812978, First Lieutenant, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, is amended to read: "DOMINICK A. GREY, O-812979."

3. So much of Sec I, GO # 4957, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal is amended to include: "PAUL W. SNYDER, O-722957, Second Lieutenant, 718th Bomb Sq, 449th Bomb Gp, Chicago, Illinois. 10 September to 7 October 1944".

4. So much of Sec I, GO # 4085, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Air Medal to HARRY L. EDWARDS, O-755452, First Lieutenant, 747th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, 13 to 20 September 1944, is amended to read: "13 September to 3 November 1944".

5. So much of Sec I, GO # 3405, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to JACK L. ABRAMS, O-691627, First Lieutenant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mr. Felix A. Abrams, (Father), 4106 North Stowell Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

6. So much of Sec I, GO # 3405, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to ALBERT N. DANOFF, O-712517, First Lieutenant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Glenlyon, Pennsylvania, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Ester L. Gleb, (Mother), 47 East Main, Glenlyon, Pennsylvania.

7. So much of Sec I, GO # 3405, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to DONALD K. ALDRON, O-820860, First Lieutenant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Ithaca, New York, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Helen K. Aldron, (Wife), 135 Linn Street, Ithaca, New York.

8. So much of Sec I, GO # 3405, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to DON J. WEIR, O-827844, First Lieutenant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, New York City, New York, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mr. Richard C. Weir, (Brother), 400 First Avenue, New York City, New York.

9. So much of Sec I, GO # 5001, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Distinguished Flying Cross to ROBERT D. DRAPER, O-550640, Second Lieutenant, 20th Bomb Sq, 2nd Bomb Gp, Cassopolis, Michigan, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mr. Durell Charles Draper, (Father), 507 Water Street, Cassopolis, Michigan.

10. So much of Sec I, GO # 4677, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Air Medal to BERNARD R. FABER, O-716094, Second Lieutenant, 779th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Hillside, New Jersey, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Dorothy S. Faber, (Mother), 579 Yale Avenue, Hillside, New Jersey.

11. So much of Sec I, GO # 4677, this Hq, 1944 sereis, as awards the Air Medal to KENNETH R. TUOMEY, O-705267, Second Lieutenant, 779th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Chicago, Illinois, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Joe Ann Tuomey, (Wife), 8236 South Morgan Street, Chicago, Illinois.

12. So much of Sec I, GO # 2422, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to LAWRENCE N. ANDERSON, 11027282, Technical Sergeant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Wakefield, Massachusetts, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Olga Anderson, (Mother), 17 Franklin, Wakefield, Massachusetts.

13. So much of Sec I, GO # 5021, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Distinguished Flying Cross to DANIEL P. MC MAHON, 14048629, Technical Sergeant, 779th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Columbia, South Carolina, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mr. James S. McMahon, (Father), 907 Shaley Street, Columbia, South Carolina.

14. So much of Sec I, GO # 2422, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to HENRY C. PATRICK, 6394928, Technical Sergeant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Lake Providence, Louisiana, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Alma W. Patrick, (Mother), Lake Providence, Louisiana.

15. So much of Sec II, GO # 3589, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to WILLIAM R. TERRY, 18086933, Technical Sergeant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Edmond, Oklahoma, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Effie M. Lathum, (Mother), 28 East Hurd, Edmond, Oklahoma.

16. So much of Sec II, GO # 2942, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to JOHN G. BARBARICH, 20725074, Staff Sergeant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Kansas City, Kansas, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mr. John Barberich, (Father), 342½ Fowler, Kansas City, Kansas.

17. So much of Sec II, GO # 3589, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to JOHN G. BARBARICH, 20725074, Staff Sergeant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Kansas City, Kansas, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mr. John Barberich, (Father), 342½ Fowler, Kansas City, Kansas.

18. So much of Sec I, GO # 3405, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to BENJAMIN DELSON, 42041914, Staff Sergeant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Bronx, New York, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Fannie Delson, (Mother), 1934 Webster Avenue, Bronx, New York.

19. So much of Sec I, GO # 2422, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to JOSEPH F. KOLZER, 35518903, Staff Sergeant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Cleveland, Ohio, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Matilda Kolzer, (Mother), 15603 Surance Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

20. So much of Sec I, GO # 2422, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to KENNETH A. MILLER, 32833903, Staff

"Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Kramer, (Mother), 60 Arden Avenue, Buffalo, New York.

21. So much of Sec I, GO # 4834, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Air Medal to FRANK N. PELTZ, 35066211, Staff Sergeant, 779th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Cleveland, Ohio, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Ann Peltz, (Wife), Box 95, Cardale, Pennsylvania.

22. So much of Sec II, GO # 3569, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to DAVID L. SHEFFLER, 12058977, Staff Sergeant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, New York City, New York, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Ann L. Sheffler, (Wife), 327 West Eighteenth Street, New York City, New York.

23. So much of Sec I, GO # 3158, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to JOHN F. WOODS, 12083695, Staff Sergeant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Port Chester, New York, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Ethel Woods, (Mother), 125 Terrace Avenue, Port Chester, New York.

24. So much of Sec I, GO # 4834, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Air Medal to JOSEPH P. DAMBRA, 32011938, Sergeant, 779th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Bronx, New York, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mr. Gene Dambra, (Father), 1357 Harrod Avenue, Bronx, New York.

25. So much of Sec I, GO # 4834, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Air Medal to MANUEL FARGOTSTEIN, 13156104, Sergeant, 779th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Ida Fargotstein, (Mother), 1129 North Euclid Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

26. So much of Sec II, GO # 5206, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Air Medal to CYRIL D. ROBINSON, 12193118, Sergeant, 779th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Bronx, New York, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mr. Paul Robinson, (Father), 1469 West Avenue, Bronx, New York.

27. So much of Sec I, GO # 4620, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Air Medal to WILLIAM P. O'SHIELDS, 38627475, Sergeant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Cisco, Texas, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Hugh O. O'Shields, (Wife), Route # 3, Box 70, Cisco, Texas.

SECTION II - AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 59, WDTOUS, 10 July 1944, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal is awarded the following named officer, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

Member of 329th Bombardment Squadron, 465th Bombardment Group

CHARLES R. HOFFMAN JR., O-2056595, First Lieutenant, Lykens, Pennsylvania. 6 November to 29 December 1944.

By command of Major General TWINING:

R. L. TAYLOR,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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Section
Awards of the Bronze Star Medal. I
Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. . II

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel:

NORMAN H. LEVINE, 34136151, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, Hq & Hq Sq., 304th Bomb Wing (HV). March 1944 to 1 January 1945. Italy. Entered service from Biloxi, Mississippi.

MARTIN H. YUNGERMAN, 16008978, First Sergeant, Air Corps, Hq & Hq Sq. 304th Bomb Wing (HV). 29 December 1943 to 1 January 1945. Italy. Entered service from Delavan, Wisconsin.

VERNON F. CLINE, 37225133, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, Hq, 454th Bomb Gp (HV) 1 September 1944 to 3 January 1945. Italy. Entered service from Joplin, Missouri.

GERALD N. COULOMBE, 6912738, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 94th Fight Sq, 1st Fight Gp. 27 June 1942 to 10 December 1944. England, North Africa, Sicily, Sardinia, Corsica and Italy. Entered service from Elgin, Illinois.

SECTION II - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

Members of 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp

AIR MEDAL

EDWARD H. DRABIK, O-716808, Second Lieutenant, Muskegon, Michigan. 15 to 29 December 1944.

ROY E. KIRKLAND, O-706203, Second Lieutenant, Fort Worth, Texas. 16 to 29 December 1944.

HAROLD B. PINE, O-829068, Second Lieutenant, New York City, New York. 5 November 1944 to 4 January 1945.

GEORGE V. CAMPBELL, 13088322, Staff Sergeant, Mahoning, Pennsylvania. 20 December 1944 to 4 January 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

MICHAEL ROLAK, O-723171, First Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois.

16 October 1944 to 4 January 1945.

ANDREW N. PONDO, O-2061027, Second Lieutenant, Utica, New York.
7 November 1944 to 4 January 1945.

NATHAN POLSKY, O-2056824, Second Lieutenant, Brooklyn, New York.
19 November 1944 to 4 January 1945.

PHILIP R. TREIBERT, O-717119, Second Lieutenant, Hudson, Ohio.
18 November 1944 to 4 January 1945,

LEWIS W. RILEY, T-126443, Flight Officer, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin.
18 November 1944 to 4 January 1945.

WILLIAM E. CARTER, 32829186, Technical Sergeant, High Point, North Carolina. 16 October 1944 to 4 January 1945.

GEORGE L. LUCAS, 18046503, Technical Sergeant, Sulphur, Oklahoma.
17 November 1944 to 4 January 1945.

JESUS MURO, 39040796, Technical Sergeant, Rodeo, California.
16 October 1944 to 4 January 1945.

VIRGIL R. CRAIN, 37546941, Staff Sergeant, Pierre, South Dakota.
16 October 1944 to 4 January 1945.

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Section

Awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross. I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation:

For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations. Consistently throughout many combat missions against highly important and strategic enemy installations, the personnel listed below have demonstrated the highest order of professional skill, heroism, leadership and devotion to duty. Although regularly and frequently opposed by large numbers of enemy fighters, together with intense, accurate and heavy anti-aircraft fire during which their aircraft were at times seriously damaged, these men have fought through to their targets and aided in the destruction of these vital objectives. Despite severe and adverse weather conditions, rugged terrain, and many other major obstacles and hazards, these men have gallantly engaged, fought and defeated the enemy without regard for their own personal safety and against great odds. Their conspicuous and extraordinary achievements throughout these many missions against the enemy have been of inestimable value to successful combat operations and have reflected great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

ROBERT G. DARCY, O-675174, Captain, 739th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Detroit, Michigan. Pilot, Hungary, 20 September 1944.

FREDERICK L. DROW, O-466790, Captain, 761st Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Canton, Illinois. Pathfinder Operator, Germany, 3 November 1944.

THOMAS L. BATES, O-714005, First Lieutenant, 738th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Dallas, Texas. Pilot, Austria, 4 November 1944.

RAFFAELE F. BIONDI, O-702000, First Lieutenant, 829th Bomb Sq, 485th Bomb Gp, New Haven, Connecticut. Pathfinder Operator, Italy, 7 November 1944. "MISSING IN ACTION." Next of kin: Mr. Anthony Biondi, (Brother), 181 Plymouth Street, New Haven, Connecticut.

THOMAS R. FOLEY, O-771369, First Lieutenant, 774th Bomb Sq, 463rd Bomb Gp, Jamaica, Long Island, New York. Pilot, Austria, 17 November 1944.

Bomb Gp, Avalon, Pennsylvania. Pilot, Austria, 7 October 1944.

ARTHUR S. HEITZ, O-717435, First Lieutenant, 341st Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp, Columbus, Ohio. Navigator, Czechoslovakia, 23 October 1944.

ONAN A. HILL, O-713615, First Lieutenant, 353rd Bomb Sq, 301st Bomb Gp, Seminole, Oklahoma. Navigator, Germany, 29 October 1944.

WALTER W. MADER, O-823398, First Lieutenant, 515th Bomb Sq, 376th Bomb Gp, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Pilot, Germany, 4 November 1944. "MISSING IN ACTION." Next of kin: Mrs. Edna W. Mader, (Wife), 7141 Gillespie Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT F. MERINO, O-827712, First Lieutenant, 96th Bomb Sq, 2nd Bomb Gp, Brooklyn, New York. Pilot, Austria, 11 December 1944.

VICTOR R. ROBINSON, O-768244, First Lieutenant, 419th Bomb Sq, 301st Bomb Gp, San Jose, California. Pilot, Germany, 18 December 1944.

HERBERT K. RUPPE, O-705808, First Lieutenant, 760th Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Strathmore, Alberta, Canada. Pilot,Germany,1 November 1944.

ROBERT O. SCHWANTES, O-819328, First Lieutenant, 32nd Bomb Sq,301st Bomb Gp, Majville, Wisconsin. Pilot, Austria, 10 September 1944.

GEORGE W. UNDERWOOD, O-711568, First Lieutenant,742nd Bomb Sq,455th Bomb Gp, Chelsea, Oklahoma. Pilot,Czechoslovakia,20 December 1944,

RUSSEL H. LARSON, O-826220, Second Lieutenant, 49th Bomb Sq, 2nd Bomb Gp, Onlaska, Wisconsin. Pilot, Austria, 11 December 1944.

JAMES H. RAYSINGER, 37342397, Staff Sergeant, 827th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Aguilar, Colorado. Gunner, Germany, 17 December 1944.

JOSEPH C. TAYLOR, 33236716, Staff Sergeant, 347th Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp, Williamsport, Pennsylvania. Photographer, Austria, 11 December 1944.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

ROBERT L. JENKINS, O-742427, First Lieutenant, 343rd Bomb Sq, 98th Bomb Gp, Los Angeles, California. Pilot, Rumania, 9 July 1944.

By command of Major General TWINING:

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Awards of Air Medal. . . . . Section I

Members of 741st Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

DAVID S. DUNCAN JR., O-776963, Second Lieutenant, Warbora, Pennsylvania. 6 December 1944 to 4 January 1945.

ROLAND J. PEPIN, O-2065820, Second Lieutenant, Johnson, Rhode Island. 6 December 1944 to 4 January 1945.

THOMAS J. CHAMBERS, 35586709, Sergeant, Youngstown, Ohio. 6 December 1944 to 4 January 1945.

WILLIAM A. CRAWFORD JR., 37721486, Sergeant, Kansas City, Missouri. 6 December 1944 to 4 January 1945.

WILLIAM O. DEEN, 34729409, Sergeant, Memphis, Tennessee. 6 December 1944 to 4 January 1945.

MICHAEL V. DOUGHERTY JR., 33919998, Sergeant, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. 6 December 1944 to 4 January 1945.

LOUIS E. LAW, 19206706, Sergeant, Rasondo Beach, California. 6 December 1944 to 4 January 1945.

HENRY J. MORELLO, 31390574, Sergeant, Worcester, Massachusetts. 6 December 1944 to 4 January 1945.

By command of Major General TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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J. M. IVINS,
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Adjutant General.

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Award of Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal . . . . . Section I

Member of Headquarters 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I--AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, WDTOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Seventh Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze), for the Air Medal, is awarded to the following named officer, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

SEVENTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

WILLIAM E. KEEFER, O-435794, Lieutenant Colonel, Torrance, California. 4 September to 28 December 1944.

By command of Major General TWINING:

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Chief of Staff.

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Section

Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal I

Members of 741st Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I--AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, WDGAO, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

LLOYD E. BRUNSON, 0-829155, Second Lieutenant, Longworth, Texas. 6 December 1944 to 8 January 1945.

HENRY D. FRITZEN, 0-719619, Second Lieutenant, Urbana, Illinois. 6 December 1944 to 8 January 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

WILLIAM S. JIRSCHELE, 0-825888, Second Lieutenant, Kendall, Wisconsin. 17 November 1944 to 8 January 1945.

JOHN T. MCKNIFF, 0-2060331, Second Lieutenant, Fargo Village, Massachusetts. 6 December 1944 to 8 January 1945.

HOWARD D. REDDING, 0-713600, Second Lieutenant, Denver, Colorado. 20 October 1944 to 8 January 1945.

EDWARD OSSI, 32509797, Staff Sergeant, Williamsport, Pennsylvania. 17 November 1944 to 8 January 1945.

ARTHUR B. ONFER, 17089713, Corporal, Denver, Colorado. 17 November 1944 to 8 January 1945.

BENJAMIN L. MELFLEY, 13155014, Corporal, Glenolden, Pennsylvania. 17 November to 8 January 1945.

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Corrections of General Orders. I
Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal...II

SECTION I -- CORRECTIONS OF GENERAL ORDERS.

1. So much of Section I, GO #4753, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Air Medal to RICHARD G. MARTELL, O-825937, Second Lieutenant, 96th Bomb Squadron, 2nd Bomb Group, is hereby rescinded.

2. So much of Section I, GO #2388, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) to FRED W. BARLOW, 17087945, Staff Sergeant, 720th Bomb Squadron, 450th Bomb Group, is hereby rescinded.

3. So much of Section I, GO #910, this Headquarters, 1944 series, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) to DAVID W. WEAVER, 17123772, Sergeant, 757th Bomb Squadron, 459th Bomb Group, is hereby rescinded.

SECTION II -- AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

Members of 742nd Bomb Squadron, 455th Bomb Group.

AIR MEDAL

JOSEPH P. KENNY, T-132304, Flight Officer, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 17 December 1944 to 8 January 1945.

JOHN M. KERR, 37138860, Technical Sergeant, Revere, Missouri. 15 December 1944 to 8 January 1945.

GRADY L. CUTHER, 38405500, Staff Sergeant, Kentwood, Louisiana. 15 December 1944 to 8 January 1945.

JOHN D. CANNOY, 16188606, Sergeant, Thawville, Indiana. 15 December 1944 to 8 January 1945.

THOMAS G. CINICATA, 42003029, Sergeant, West New York, New Jersey. 15 December 1944 to 8 January 1945.

WILLIAM J. CRAIG, 38642029, Sergeant, Marshall, Texas. 15 December 1944 to 8 January 1945.

JAMES P. JETER, 38546738, Sergeant, Marshall, Texas. 15 December to 8 January 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

WILLIAM F. ABNEY, O-715672, First Lieutenant, Sinton, Texas. 6 November 1944 to 8 January 1945.

GEORGE W. FRANK, 35021115, Technical Sergeant, Greenville, Illinois. 12 July 1944 to 8 January 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

CLYDE W. ARTHUR, O-772925, First Lieutenant, Los Angeles, California. 1 November 1944 to 8 January 1945.

KENNETH F. SELRIDAN, O-825307, First Lieutenant, Gary, Indiana. 3 December 1944 to 8 January 1945.

JAMES W. HUNZIKER, 37410550, Staff Sergeant, Knox City, Missouri. 22 November 1944 to 8 January 1945.

WILLIAM L. KINCAID, 34078287, Staff Sergeant, Salisbury, North Carolina. 7 November 1944 to 8 January 1945.

JOHN M. TOMLE, 34031725, Staff Sergeant, La Grange, Georgia. 20 November 1944 to 8 January 1945.

By command of Major General TWINING:

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Section

Citation of Unit. I

SECTION I - CITATION OF UNIT

Under the provisions of Circular No. 333, War Department, 1943, and Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the following unit is cited for outstanding performance of duty in armed conflict with the enemy:

455TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP. For outstanding performance of duty in armed conflict with the enemy. Notified to prepare maximum aircraft for a mission against the highly important and heavily defended Moosbierbaum Oil Refinery, Moosbierbaum, Austria, the ground crews, despite acute shortages in personnel and equipment, worked untiringly and with grim determination to have their aircraft in the peak of mechanical condition to insure the success of this vital operation. On 26 June 1944, thirty-six (36) B-24 type aircraft, heavily loaded with maximum tonnage, were airborne, and, assuming the lead of the other groups of their Wing, set course for their destination. Enroute to the target the formation was intercepted by approximately twenty (20) twin-engine enemy fighters which were engaged by the escorting fighters. Immediately thereafter, the bomber formation was attacked by approximately sixty (60) additional twin-engine fighters in a serious of vicious head-on attacks, firing rockets, heavy machine guns and 20mm cannon in a desparate effort to destroy the bomber formation. Nearing the target sixty (60) more single engine fighters joined in the aggressive and relentless attacks against the Group's formation. Heedless of this seemingly overwhelming opposition, the gallant crew members battled their way through the heavy enemy fire to the objective. One of the bombers, after colliding with an attacking fighter, remained persistently with the formation for the bombing run before dropping out in flames. Two other bombers set on fire by enemy gun fire, continued over the target, successfully dropped their bombs and then exploded in mid-air. With complete disregard for the continued heavy opposition, displaying outstanding courage, leadership and fortitude, the Group helds its lead of the Wing formation, bringing it through the enemy defenses for a highly successful bombing run. The oil storage area of the refinery was heavily hit with large fires started. Eight direct hits were sustained by the power station and numerous rolling stock and vital installations were severely damaged throughout the plant area. During the fierce aerial battle to the target, the gallant gunners of the Group, through their skill and determination in the defense of their formation, accounted for thirty-four (34) enemy fighters destroyed, to hold the losses of their Group to ten (10) heavy bombers. By the conspicuous gallantry, professional skill and determination of the combat crews, together with the superior technical skill and devotion to duty of the ground personnel, the 455th Bombardment Group has upheld the highest traditions of the Military Service, thereby reflecting great credit upon itself and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

By command of Major General TWINING:

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J. M. IVINS,
Lt. Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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Section
Awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross. I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation:

For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations. Showing a high order of courage, leadership and professional skill, these gallant air crew members have distinguished themselves throughout many long and hazardous combat missions against the enemy despite severe and adverse weather conditions and enemy opposition by large numbers of fighter aircraft and intense, accurate and heavy anti-aircraft fire. Displaying great combat spirit and aggressiveness, these men have met, engaged and defeated the enemy regardless of the odds and in spite of the fact that at times their planes were so severely damaged that only by extraordinary skill and fortitude were they able to fight their way through to the objective and aid in the grave damage inflicted upon the enemy. By their heroism, skill and airmanship, as shown throughout their combat careers, together with their intense devotion to duty during this period of intense combat operations against the enemy, these men have upheld the highest traditions of the Military Service, thereby reflecting great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

IRA E. HASSLER, O-412113, Major, 341st Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp, Dothan, Alabama. Pilot, Austria, 27 December 1944.

MILTON R. BROOKS, O-804547, Captain, 302nd Ftr Sq, 332nd Ftr Gp, Glassport, Pennsylvania. Pilot, Hungary, 12 October 1944.

DUNCAN L. CUSHING, O-790803, Captain, 760th Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Norwood, Massachusetts. Pilot, Austria, 10 September 1944.

VIRGIL A. DINNEEN, O-728609, Captain, 15th Photo Recn Sq, 5th Photo Gp, Recn, Yankton, South Dakota. Pilot, Germany, 2 December 1944.

CLAUDE B. GOVAN, O-797219, Captain, 301st Ftr Sq, 332nd Ftr Gp, Newark, New Jersey. Pilot, Greece, 4 October 1944.

EMANUEL A. PELAEZ, O-758048, Captain, 32nd Photo Recn Sq, 5th Photo Gp, Recn, Orlando, Florida. Pilot, Germany, 18 November 1944.

JAMES N. BROWN, O-772273, First Lieutenant, 743rd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Laramie, Wyoming. Pilot, Austria, 15 November 1944.

Bomb Gp, Beloit, Wisconsin. Pilot, Germany, 22 August 1944. "MISSING IN ACTION." Next of kin: Mr. & Mrs. George Demos, (Parents), 631½ 4th Street, Beloit, Wisconsin.

ROBERT L. FIFIELD, O-807823, First Lieutenant, 781st Bomb Sq,465th Bomb Gp, Davenport, Iowa. Pilot, Germany, 17 December 1944.

WILLIAM E. FISKE, O-772838, First Lieutenant, 760th Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Bombardier-Navigator, Austria, 1 November 1944.

HARRY F. HEINEMAN, O-697354, First Lieutenant, 779th Bomb Sq,464th Bomb Gp, Put-In-Bay, Ohio. Pilot, Austria, 10 September 1944.

ROBERT J. KEATES, O-749780, First Lieutenant, 743rd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Uniontown, Pennsylvania. Navigator, Italy, 4 January 1945.

FREDERICK J. KOWALSKI, O-822472, First Lieutenant, 762nd Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Hartford, Connecticut. Pilot, Austria, 10 September 1944.

LINSLEY L. LUNDGAARD, O-766583, First Lieutenant, 5th Ftr Sq, 52nd Ftr Gp, Kansas City, Missouri. Pilot, Rumania, 31 August 1944.

ROBERT L. MARTENS, O-808863, First Lieutenant, 762nd Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Trenton, New Jersey. Pilot, Italy, 29 December 1944.

ROBERT D. NOLTING, O-723661, First Lieutenant, 760th Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Rockford, Illinois. Navigator, Germany, 17 December 1944.

KENNETH G. ROUNDS, O-674339, First Lieutenant, 827th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Harcy, New York. Pilot, Germany, 23 August 1944.

THOMAS F. DELANEY, JR., O-1540338, Second Lieutenant, 743rd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Bronx, New York. Pilot, Austria, 4 November 1944.

ROSS F. PARK, O-716942, Second Lieutenant, 762nd Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Houston, Texas. Bombardier, Italy, 12 October 1944.

JAMES VAN NOSTRAND, 35514153, Staff Sergeant, 765th Bomb Sq, 461st Bomb Gp, Cleveland, Ohio. Photographer, Rumania, 17 August 1944.

By command of Major General TWINING:

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Awards of Bronze Star Medal. . . . . Section I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 59, WDCSA, 10 July 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named enlisted man, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for acts performed from 23 to 26 August 1944:

JAMES C. ATKINSON, 14151747, Technical Sergeant, Scooba, Mississippi, 451st Bomb Gp. Rumania.

ROY A. BABCOCK, 12000603, Technical Sergeant, Rochester, New York, 455th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

PAUL M. BLACK, 35460607, Technical Sergeant, Covington, Kentucky. 463rd Bomb Gp. Rumania.

EDWARD A. BUFFINGTON, 14061547, Technical Sergeant, Anderson, Texas, 463rd Bomb Gp. Rumania.

LOUIS G. CARDENAS, 20001452, Technical Sergeant, San Antonio, Texas, 459th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

EDWARD L. CLAPPROOD, 31149526, Technical Sergeant, Cranston, Rhode Island, 450th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

LEON L. CLAVERIE, 39035036, Technical Sergeant, San Francisco, California. 450th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

DELCEY D. COLLEY, 34074954, Technical Sergeant, New Orleans, Louisiana. 463rd Bomb Gp. Rumania.

MILTON L. CRAWFORD, 39044755, Technical Sergeant, Jasper, Missouri. 465th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

ROBERT B. CULVER, 18169319, Technical Sergeant, Memphis, Tennessee, 450th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

VICTOR H. ECKELEYER, 36432[illegible]0, Technical Sergeant, Chester, Illinois, 455th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

WILLIAM J. FILI, 13151977, Technical Sergeant, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 450th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

WILLIAM J. GLADHONE, 32367467, Technical Sergeant, Norristown, Pennsylvania, 376th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

FRANCIS L. GOODWIN, 20[illegible]4, Technical Sergeant, Baltimore, Maryland, 301st Bomb Gp. Rumania.

ROBERT GRAHAM, 3233753[illegible], Technical Sergeant, Brooklyn, New York, 451st Bomb Gp. Rumania.

Bomb Gp. Rumania.

JOSEPH W. JAMRO, 12171690, Technical Sergeant, Schenectady, New York, 454th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

JACOB R. KESSLER, 3357225, Technical Sergeant, Broadlands, Illinois, 463rd Bomb Gp. Rumania.

EDWARD J. KODET, 37265697, Technical Sergeant, Belvidere, South Dakota, 459th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

LOREN W. MASSEY, 19056354, Technical Sergeant, Button Willow, California, 449th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

NEVELL L. MILLER, 33242554, Technical Sergeant, Creekside, Pennsylvania, 463rd Bomb Gp. Rumania.

THOMAS J. MURPHY, 31101905, Technical Sergeant, Linden, New Jersey, 463rd Bomb Gp. Rumania.

RUSSELL H. PREIHS, 16143400, Technical Sergeant, Chicago, Illinois, 450th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

EARL E. RINGENBERG, 16051463, Technical Sergeant, Tiskilwa, Illinois, 459th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

GEORGE F. ROTHENBURG, 32099143, Technical Sergeant, St. Louis, Missouri, 449th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

VICTOR R. SAGIS, 32452165, Technical Sergeant, Linden, New Jersey, 463rd Bomb Gp. Rumania.

ALRED H. SILDAR, 32518685, Technical Sergeant, Astoria, New York, 449th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

GERALD J. SIMMONS, 35614306, Technical Sergeant, Reynoldsburg, Ohio, 465th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

FRANKLYN H. SNYDER, 32077462, Technical Sergeant, Williamstown, New Jersey, 464th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

EDMOND T. TERRY, 39019145, Technical Sergeant, Los Angeles, California, 98th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

HAROLD A. TILLMAN, 35411965, Technical Sergeant, Marysville, Ohio, 463rd Bomb Gp. Rumania.

LUNZIO TRIPADI, 32507740, Technical Sergeant, Brooklyn, New York, 449th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

CHARLES BAYER, 32767930, Staff Sergeant, Clifton, New Jersey, 484th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

WILLIAM F. BETZ, 35770956, Staff Sergeant, Callipolis, Ohio, 376th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

WILLIAM H. BLANCHARD, 35037052, Staff Sergeant, Millersburg, Indiana, 455th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

ALBERT CASSARELLI, 11106217, Staff Sergeant, Springfield, Massachusetts, 459th Bomb Gp, Rumania.

JOHN G. FOSTER, 39121479, Staff Sergeant, Alameda, California, 450th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

STANLEY KOCHNOVEZ, 32060990, Staff Sergeant, Brooklyn, New York, 97th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

CHARLES P. KOURVELAS, 34503266, Staff Sergeant, Memphis, Tennessee, 450th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

FRANCIS P. LITTLE, 16113932, Staff Sergeant, River Rouge, Michigan, 465th Bomb Gp. Rumania.

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Section

Award of the Distinguished Flying Cross. I
Award of Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross II
Award of the Soldier's Medal. III

SECTION I - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded the following named officer, Air Corps, United States Army, residence and citation as indicated:

VANE T. WILSON, O-434793, Major, 1st Operations Analysis Section, Headquarters Fifteenth Air Force. For extraordinary achievement in aerial flight in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations, as bombardier of a B-17 type aircraft. Consistently showing a high order of courage, leadership and professional skill throughout many long and hazardous combat missions performed against heavy opposition by enemy fighter aircraft and flak, Major Wilson has distinguished himself by his aggressiveness and devotion to duty. Chosen for his technical knowledge and proficiency, Major Wilson was given the responsibility of developing and flight testing certain highly secret blind bombing equipment of great tactical importance. The high standards of achievement resulting from this important project are attributable to the outstanding application, leadership and skill displayed by Major Wilson in the performance of his duty. He has reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Residence at appointment: Little Rock, Arkansas.

SECTION II - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded the following named officer, Air Corps, United States Army, residence and citation as indicated:

ALFRED HOUSER, O-764893, First Lieutenant, 743rd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp. For extraordinary achievement in aerial flight as pilot of a B-24 type aircraft. On 4 January 1945, Lt Houser led his formation on a bombing mission against enemy rail installations in Italy. Despite severe enemy opposition, Lt Houser skillfully maintained his formation to afford the maximum protection against enemy interception and brought the entire formation directly to the target area. Turning from the objective after a highly successful bombing run, Lt Houser brought his formation through enemy territory for a safe landing at friendly bases without further damage or loss. By his outstanding leadership and extraordinary achievements throughout thirty-three (33) combat missions against the enemy, Lt Houser has reflected great credit upon himself and

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Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. . . . . Section I

Members of 740th Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. [illegible], WATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

HAROLD L. RICHARDSON, O-667705, Second Lieutenant, Kimbell, South Dakota. 15 December 1944 to 8 January 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

ROBERT E. BURKHOLDER, 33704647, Staff Sergeant, Ligonier, Pennsylvania. 17 November 1944 to 8 January 1945.

WALTER DRAGICH, 33765721, Staff Sergeant, Johnstown, Pennsylvania. 16 October 1944 to 8 January 1945.

STEPHEN M. KUREY, 36740751, Staff Sergeant, Joliet, Illinois. 19 November 1944 to 8 January 1945.

FRED M. POST, 38437366, Staff Sergeant, Gatesville, Texas. 17 November 1944 to 8 January 1945.

FLOYD L. BLACKDEER, 36005014, Sergeant, Onaleska, Wisconsin. 19 November 1944 to 8 January 1945.

ROBERT D. ENGLE, 35231475, Sergeant, Columbiana, Ohio. 17 November 1944 to 8 January 1945.

JOHN R. LEVISON, 32996657, Sergeant, Jamaica, Long Island, New York. 19 November 1944 to 8 January 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

CURTIS DILES JR., 35774779, Staff Sergeant, Portsmouth, Ohio. 6 November 1944 to 8 January 1945.

By command of Major General TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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Section
Awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross. I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation:

For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations. Throughout many long and hazardous combat missions against vital strategic targets deep in enemy occupied territory, though confronted by heavy enemy opposition from highly aggressive enemy fighters and intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire, the personnel listed below have consistently displayed outstanding courage, aggressiveness and intense devotion to duty throughout all engagements. With their aircraft frequently severely damaged by heavy enemy fire, these men have courageously remained at their stations, battling their way through to their targets to aid materially in the utter destruction of vitally important enemy installations and supplies. Heedless of severe and adverse weather conditions encountered over rugged mountainous terrain and surmounting many other major obstacles that faced them during these hazardous missions, these men have gallantly engaged, fought and defeated the enemy with complete disregard for their personal safety and against overwhelming odds. The conspicuous and extraordinary achievements throughout these many missions against the enemy have been of inestimable value to successful combat operations and have reflected great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

LINDEN STUART, JR., O-667593, Captain, 741st Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Plainfield, New Jersey. Pilot, Czechoslovakia, 16 December 1944

JOHN B. ATKINS, JR., O-717737, First Lieutenant, 20th Bomb Sq, 2nd Bomb Gp, Shreveport, Louisiana. Bombardier, Italy, 29 December 1944.

MELVERN C. CORBETT, O-695804, First Lieutenant, 743rd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Rochester, New York. Bombardier, Austria, 25 December 1944.

HERMAN B. HOSKINS, O-767432, First Lieutenant, 347th Bomb Sq, 99th Bomb Gp, Middletown, Ohio. Pilot, Germany, 19 December 1944.

JOSEPH V. IMRISEK, O-776562, First Lieutenant, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Lansford, Pennsylvania. Bombardier, Poland, 26 December

Bomb Gp, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Bombardier, Austria, 27 December 1944.

RICHARD O. MABIE, O-768607, First Lieutenant, 414th Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp, Pueblo, Colorado. Pilot, Germany, 26 December 1944.

THOMAS J. MACAULAY, O-777008, First Lieutenant,743rd Bomb Sq,455th Bomb Gp, Dayton, Ohio. Bombardier, Italy, 4 January 1945.

DONALD L. MELTON, O-709603, First Lieutenant, 743rd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Waco, Texas. Pilot, Austria, 25 December 1944.

DONALD A. STEVENS, O-713900, First Lieutenant, 414th Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp, New York, New York. Pilot, Austria, 29 December 1944.

WILLIAM H. COSTELLOE, JR., O-828967, Second Lieutenant, 414th Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp, East Orange, New Jersey. Pilot, Austria, 27 December 1944.

LOUIS J. DUNIGAN, O-414790, Second Lieutenant, 414th Bomb Sq,97th Bomb Gp, Dallas, Texas. Pilot, Czechoslovakia,25 December 1944.

VARTAN HAROUTUNIAN, O-2065549,Second Lieutenant,740th Bomb Sq,455th Bomb Gp, Everett, Massachusetts. Navigator,Germany,16 December1944.

RICHARD A. HUBER, O-568714, Second Lieutenant, 740th Bomb Sq,455th Bomb Gp, St. Louis, Missouri. Pilot, Germany, 12 September 1944.

ROY E. KIRKLAND, O-706203, Second Lieutenant, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Fort Worth, Texas. Pilot, Poland, 26 December 1944.

MARTIN E. BRAKORA, 16043221, Technical Sergeant,352nd Bomb Sq,301st Bomb Gp, Bellefonte, Pennsylvania. Engineer-Gunner, Germany, 12 December 1944.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

WILLIAM R. GRADY, O-792015, Major, Headquarters, 455th Bomb Gp, Springfield, Massachusetts. Pilot, Hungary, 21 September 1944.

THOMAS M. HUNTER, O-819527, First Lieutenant, 736th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Columbus, Ohio. Pilot, Germany, 29 December 1944.

By command of Major General TWINING:

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Awards of the Bronze Star Medal . . . . . Section I

SECTION I—AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

SAMUEL B. KERR, 34169332, Master Sergeant, 720th Bombardment Squadron, 450th Bombardment Group. 15 January to 1 November 1944. Italy. Entered Service from Athens, Alabama.

LEE H. SERVER, 6246813, Master Sergeant, 738th Bombardment Squadron, 454th Bombardment Group. 30 June 1943 to 26 November 1944. Italy. Entered Service from Port Arthur, Texas.

CARL SHUCK, 6298054, Master Sergeant, 778th Bombardment Squadron, 464th Bombardment Group. 20 March to 30 December 1944. Mediterranean Theater. Entered Service from San Antonio, Texas.

DEXTER E. SWEDSTROM, 20480243, Master Sergeant, 514th Bombardment Squadron, 376th Bombardment Group. August 1943 to 10 January 1945. Africa and Italy. Entered Service from Atlanta, Georgia.

MORRIS J. TOLD, 6270767, Master Sergeant, 761st Bombardment Squadron, 460th Bombardment Group. 14 February to 31 December 1944. Italy. Entered Service from San Antonio, Texas.

SAMUEL GLADMAN, 12132221, Technical Sergeant, 741st Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group. 6 to 29 March 1944. Italy. Entered Service from Wilmington, Delaware.

CHARLES H. DESMOYERS, 34687399, Sergeant, 720th Bombardment Squadron, 450th Bombardment Group. 15 January to 1 November 1944. Italy. Entered Service from Bloomingdale, Georgia.

HARVEY L. ELLIOTT, 37495474, Sergeant, 726th Bombardment Squadron, 451st Bombardment Group. 1 January to 15 November 1944. Italy. Entered Service from Montreal, Missouri.

NEIL T. SHEETS, 32270763, Sergeant, 513th Bombardment Squadron, 376th Bombardment Group. 1 August 1943 to 28 December 1944. Mediterranean Theater. Entered Service from Guys Mills, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General TWINING:

OFFICIAL:

R. K. TAYLOR,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

GERALD N. FRANK,
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Actg Adjutant General.

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Award of the Air Medal. . . . . Section I

Member of Hq, 455th Bomb Gp

SECTION I - AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following named officer, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

VINCENT J. DAMIANO, O-710570, First Lieutenant, Long Island, New York. 6 November to 29 December 1944.

By command of Major General TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

GERALD N. FRANK,
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Actg Adjutant General

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Section

Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal I

Members of 740th Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I--AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, WDTUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

WILLIAM J. BENISH, JR., 02058961, Second Lieutenant, Seattle, Washington. 6 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

JAMES R. BROWN, 02065952, Second Lieutenant, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. 9 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

HOMER L. GREENWOOD, 02065377, Second Lieutenant, Hamburg, Iowa. 9 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

SAMUEL (NMI) MUSHEL, 32431007, Staff Sergeant, Bronx, New York. 17 December 1944 to 15 January 1945.

SAMUEL L. PONTELLO, 12238883, Sergeant, Buffalo, New York. 6 December 1944 to 15 January 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

EARL R. ABBOT, 36750924, Technical Sergeant, Chicago, Illinois. 19 November 1944 to 19 January 1945.

ROBINSON F. EDGAR, 20652684, Technical Sergeant, Janesville, Wisconsin. 19 November 1944 to 19 January 1945.

MELVIN R. WHITE, 38009600, Staff Sergeant, Golden, Colorado. 12 October 1944 to 19 January 1945.

ROBERT F. CLEVELAND, 37702485, Sergeant, Denver, Colorado. 19 November 1944 to 19 January 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

MICHEL STOHLMAN, JR., 38981248, Technical Sergeant, New Orleans, Louisiana. 18 November 1944 to 15 January 1945.

LELAND PORTER, 25875667, Staff Sergeant, Lexington, Kentucky. 18 November 1944 to 19 January 1945.

By command of Major General TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

GERALD N. FRANK,
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
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Section

Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal I

Members of 741st Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I--AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, WDGSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

JIM J. DOUGLAS, 0828977, Second Lieutenant, Knoxville, Tennessee. 27 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

ROBERT S. WOODWARD, 19179169, Sergeant, Brookline, Pennsylvania. 27 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

JOHN L. CLARK, 01304240, First Lieutenant, South Gate, California. 18 November 1944 to 19 January 1945.

ROBERT P. HACKER, 0772810, Second Lieutenant, Fresno, California. 14 October 1944 to 19 January 1945.

NORMAN STEWART, 02056722, Second Lieutenant, Elizabeth, New Jersey. 20 November 1944 to 19 January 1945.

JOHN KROLIK, Jr., T126707, Flight Officer, Union, Ohio. 20 November 1944 to 19 January 1945.

HAROLD I. PETERS, T127732, Flight Officer, Evansville, Indiana. 11 November 1944 to 19 January 1945.

DAVID P. MURPHY, 38023482, Technical Sergeant, Duke, Oklahoma. 20 November 1944 to 19 January 1945.

CHARLES F. MCDONALD, 37566093, Staff Sergeant, Saint Paul, Minnesota. 16 November 1944 to 19 January 1945.

JOHN T. WRIGHT, 39699631, Staff Sergeant, Los Angeles, California. 20 November 1944 to 19 January 1945.

ROBERT E. ASHOUT, 37501215, Sergeant, Olsego, Kansas. 1 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

DONALD L. BONE, 0817384, First Lieutenant, Aliquippa, Pennsylvania. 21 October 1944 to 19 January 1945.

KARL T. FEUERRIEGEL, 0762299, Second Lieutenant, Phoenix, Arizona. 3 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

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Chief of Staff.

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GERALD N. FRANK,
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
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Section

Awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross. I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation

For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations. Throughout many long and hazardous combat missions against vital strategic targets deep in enemy occupied territory, though confronted by heavy enemy opposition from highly aggressive enemy fighters and intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire, the personnel listed below have consistently displayed outstanding courage, aggressiveness and intense devotion to duty throughout all engagements. With their aircraft frequently severely damaged by heavy enemy fire, these men have courageously remained at their stations, battling their way through to their targets to aid materially in the utter destruction of vitally important enemy installations and supplies. Heedless of severe and adverse weather conditions encountered over rugged mountainous terrain and surmounting many other major obstacles that faced them during these hazardous missions, these men have gallantly engaged, fought and defeated the enemy with complete disregard for their personal safety and against overwhelming odds. The conspicuous and extraordinary achievements throughout these many missions against the enemy have been of inestimable value to successful combat operations and have reflected great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

FLOYD C. STOCKTON, O-699871, Captain, 767th Bomb Sq, 461st Bomb Gp, Fort Cobb, Oklahoma. Pilot, Yugoslavia, 7 November 1944.

HOWARD G. BECK, O-672555, First Lieutenant, 758th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, College Point, New York. Pilot, Austria, 27 December 1944.

HERBERT H. BULLOCK, O-824066, First Lieutenant, 758th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, Green Island, New York. Pilot, Germany, 17 December 1944.

EDWIN T. DANOWSKI, O-723239, First Lieutenant, 826th Bomb Sq,484th Bomb Gp, Shelton, Connecticut. Navigator, Germany, 17 December 1944.

FREDERICK A. DIERKSMEIER, O-716837, First Lieutenant, 826th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Lake Mills, Wisconsin. Bombardier, Austria, 3 November 1944.

EDWIN M. DUKE, O-716842, First Lieutenant, 826th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Marion, Virginia. Bombardier, Germany, 17 December 1944.

Bomb Gp, St. Louis, Missouri. Pilot, Italy, 4 January 1945.

WILLIAM H. MC WHIRK, O-1042367, First Lieutenant, 827th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Dorchester, Massachusetts. Navigator, Germany, 7 December 1944.

WAYNE D. MERTL, O-822953, First Lieutenant, 743rd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Chicago, Illinois. Pilot, Germany, 14 October 1944.

WILLIAM PARADISE, O-755748, First Lieutenant, 764th Bomb Sq,461st Bomb Gp, Staten Island, New York. Pilot, Rumania, 22 July 1944.

RICHARD H. PARVIN, O-823451, First Lieutenant, 757th Bomb Sq,459th Bomb Gp, Bradenton, Florida. Pilot, Austria, 16 October 1944.

GEORGE R. PODWOLSKY, O-819602, First Lieutenant, 767th Bomb Sq, 461st Bomb Gp, New York, New York. Pilot, Germany, 7 August 1944.

WINTON S. REYNOLDS, O-699735, First Lieutenant, 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Los Angeles, California. Pilot, Germany, 14 December 1944.

EUGENE M. SEBRING, O-713562, First Lieutenant, 757th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, Columbus, Ohio. Co-pilot, Germany, 13 October 1944.

BERNARD H. SHARP, O-717955, First Lieutenant, 757th Bomb Sq,459th Bomb Gp, Little Rock, Arkansas. Bombardier, Austria, 5 November 1944.

LEO FROBOM, O-1640471, Second Lieutenant, 827th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Silver Springs, Maryland. Pilot, Germany, 17 December 1944.

PAUL O. KLINE, 15081060, Technical Sergeant, 739th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Marion, Ohio. Gunner, Italy, 4 January 1945.

PERRY W. LOUNSBURY, 17097149, Technical Sergeant, 827th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Des Moines, Iowa. Gunner, Austria, 22 August 1944.

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Section

Awards of the Bronze Star Medal I

SECTION I--AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45 as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 69, WARDSA 10 July 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel:

JAMES W. BROOK, 35357445, Sergeant, Headquarters, 376th Bombardment Group. April 1943 to November 1944. Africa, Sicily, Italy, Southern France, and German campaigns. Entered Service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

OSCAR F. HARTERT, 18046542, Technical Sergeant, 317th Fighter Squadron, 325th Fighter Group. 21 February 1943 to 6 January 1945. Italy. Entered Service from Colorado Springs, Colorado.

LEE F. HETFIELD, 33365339, Sergeant, 317th Fighter Squadron, 325th Fighter Group. July 1943. North Africa. Entered Service from Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania.

MILES A. OLSNER, 19113597, Staff Sergeant, 328th Signal Company, Wing. 22 August 1944. Italy. Entered Service from Mermarth, North Dakota.

WILLARD S. REAL, 6351573, Master Sergeant, 736th Bombardment Squadron, 454th Bombardment Group. 15 January 1944 to 15 January 1945. Italy. Entered Service from Bear Creek, North Carolina.

ALBIN T. DAHLSTROM, 39165939, Master Sergeant, 740th Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group. 1 July 1943 to 1 January 1945. Italy. Entered Service from Grand Forks, North Dakota.

ROBERT H. COPE, JR., 11064868, Sergeant, Headquarters, 304th Bombardment Wing. January 1944 to January 1945. Italy. Entered Service from Quincy, Massachusetts.

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Section
Awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross. I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation:

For extraordinary achievement in aerial flight against the enemy in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations. Throughout the extensive air offensive against the enemy in the direct support of our ground troops and against targets of vital strategic importance deep within hostile territory, the personnel listed below, through their aggressiveness and courage, have consistently aided in the success of combat operations. Against heavy opposition from both aggressive and persistent fighter aircraft and intense and accurate enemy anti-aircraft fire, with their planes frequently seriously damaged by enemy fire, they have battled their way through to their targets, defeating the enemy in the air and destroying his vital installations on the ground. Through severe and adverse weather conditions, over treacherous mountain terrain, they have continually surmounted overwhelming obstacles for successful completions of their assigned missions to attack and destroy the enemy. Through their outstanding leadership and personal example, completely disregarding their personal safety at times of great danger, though at times seriously wounded in the heroic performance of their duties, they have contributed to the ultimate defeat of the armed forces of the enemy. Their conspicuous and outstanding achievements in these many missions against the enemy have upheld the highest traditions of the Military Service, thereby reflecting great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

CLAIR L. CLAXTON, O-702239, Captain, 745th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Chicago, Illinois. Pilot, Rumania, 28 July 1944.

ROY R. TABOR, JR., O-764828, Captain, 340th Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp, San Jose, California. Pilot, Germany, 16 October 1944.

RICHARD E. AVERY, O-808933, First Lieutenant, 15th Photo Recn Sq, 5th Photo Gp, Recn, Grand Lodge, Michigan. Pilot, Italy and Austria, 11 November 1944.

ERNEST P. BULLOCK, O-769001, First Lieutenant, 340th Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp, Bristol, Tennessee. Bombardier, Germany, 26 December 1944.

TYLER E. JESSEE, O-722322, First Lieutenant, 760th Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Roanoke, Virginia. Navigator, Germany, 2 December 1944.

LEONARD H. POTTERBAUM, O-820323, First Lieutenant, 5th Ftr Sq, 52nd Ftr Gp, Metropolis, Illinois. Pilot, Czechoslovakia, 13 December 1944.

Bomb Gp, Weston, Georgia. Pilot, Czechoslovakia, 25 December 1944.

JOSEPH R. THOMPSON, O-820100, First Lieutenant, 340th Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Pilot, Czechoslovakia, 23 October 1944.

CHESTER E. TOTON, O-722900, First Lieutenant, 96th Bomb Sq, 2nd Bomb Gp, Chicago, Illinois. Navigator, Germany, 26 December 1944.

HARLOW H. VOLLER, O-717925, First Lieutenant, 763rd Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Bombardier, Hungary, 6 December 1944.

CLIFFORD E. WRIGHTSON, O-818792, First Lieutenant, 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Santa Barbara, California. Pilot, Poland, 26 December 1944.

PAUL A. LONG, O-776673, Second Lieutenant, 782nd Bomb Sq, 465th Bomb Gp, Conshohocken, Pennsylvania. Bombardier-Navigator, Austria, 11 October 1944.

JERRY W. BYERS, JR., 17152727, Technical Sergeant, 830th Bomb Sq, 485th Bomb Gp, Clinton, Iowa. Radio Operator, Austria, 22 November 1944.

FRED M. GRAGE, 16071798, Technical Sergeant, 757th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, High Bridge, Wisconsin. Engineer, Italy, 10 September 1944.

DANIEL E. RUTKOWITZ, 13023936, Technical Sergeant, 414th Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp, Baltimore, Maryland, Engineer, Czechoslovakia, 17 November 1944.

JOHN R. DMYTRYSHYN, 16151271, Staff Sergeant, 760th Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Detroit, Michigan. Gunner, Germany, 2 December 1944.

HARRY A. WALTGENBACH, 32610920, Sergeant, 414th Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp, Brooklyn, New York. Gunner, Austria, 27 December 1944.

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Award of the Silver Star, Posthumous. I
Award of the Silver Star. II
Award of the Distinguished Flying Cross III

SECTION I - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR, POSTHUMOUS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters MATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named officer, Air Corps, United States Army, residence and citation as indicated:

THOMAS F. MC GOVERN, O-706298, First Lieutenant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp. For gallantry in action as bombardier of a B-24 type aircraft. On 18 August 1944, Lt McGovern participated in a bombing mission against a vital enemy oil refinery in Rumania. After completing a highly successful bombing run, Lt McGovern observed that a bomb remained in his aircraft, and all attempts to drop the bomb through mechanical means proved futile. Despite intense and accurate enemy anti-aircraft fire encountered, with complete disregard for his personal safety, Lt McGovern removed his protective clothing and parachute and entered the bomb bay to release the bomb by hand and then crank the bomb bay doors close. With exceptional fortitude, Lt McGovern quickly accomplished his task, thus ridding his aircraft from imminent danger. By his conspicuous courage, professional skill and devotion to duty, as evidenced throughout his brilliant combat career, Lt McGovern has upheld the highest traditions of the Military Service, thereby reflecting great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Residence at appointment: Chicago, Illinois. Next of kin: Mr. Philip V. McGovern, (Father), 8031 Paxton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

SECTION II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters MATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Silver Star is awarded the following named officer, Air Corps, United States Army, residence and citation as indicated:

WILLIAM L. SNOWDEN, O-224517, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters 455th Bomb Gp. For gallantry in action as pilot of a B-24 type aircraft. On 17 August 1944, Col Snowden led a group formation on a vital bombing mission against important enemy oil installations in Rumania. Approaching the target area, which was partially obscured by a dense enemy smoke screen, he sighted an oil refinery partially visible in the distance and immediately determined to bomb this installation. Despite intense, accurate and heavy enemy anti-aircraft fire, displaying outstanding courage and determination, he skillfully manoeuvered his formation through the enemy defenses for a highly successful bombing run. Under his superior leadership the bombs from his entire formation were well concen-

rendered inoperative, he quickly rallied his formation and brought it safely through to base without further loss or damage. By his conspicuous courage, professional skill and devotion to duty, as evidenced throughout over twenty (20) successful missions against the enemy, Col Snowden has reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Residence at appointment: El Monte, California.

SECTION III - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters MATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded the following named officer, Air Corps, United States Army, residence and citation as indicated:

HUGH A. GRIFFITH, Jr., O-21797, Lieutenant Colonel, 48th Ftr Sq, 14th Ftr Gp. For extraordinary achievement in aerial flight as pilot of a P-38 type aircraft. On 28 December 1944, Col Griffith led his squadron as escort to heavy bombers attacking vital enemy installations in Germany. While on the homeward course after successfully completing the assigned escort mission, he sighted several trains moving in several directions in Austria. Unhesitatingly, he led his squadron down to strafe the enemy rail transport. The first attack was made upon two locomotives and attached freight cars. Both locomotives and several freight cars were destroyed. While making a turn to avoid the enemy flak, Col Griffith observed two more enemy trains in the near vicinity. He immediately attacked and destroyed both locomotives. Climbing to a higher altitude, two more moving trains were seen, and he led the attack upon these. Both locomotives were seen to explode. Col Griffith personnally destroyed six locomotives, and under his leadership a total of eleven enemy locomotives and several freight cars were destroyed, and grave damage was inflicted upon numerous others. By his superior leadership, skill and intense devotion to duty, as evidenced throughout his combat career, Col Griffith has reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Residence at appointment: South Pittsburgh, Tennessee.

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Awards of the Bronze Star Medal. I
Award of Air Medal. II
Awards of the Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal III
Awards of the Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal IV

SECTION I -- AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 59, WDTCUSA, 10 July 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel:

ROBERT E. SMITH, 17035619, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, Headquarters Squadron, Fifteenth Air Force. 1[illegible] August 1943 to 30 September 1944. Italy. Entered service from: St. Louis, Missouri.

CORBIN J. THOMSEY, 39238490, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 739th Bombardment Squadron, 454th Bombardment Group. 20 January to 20 December 1944. Italy. Entered service from: Bakersfield, California.

HOWARD J. HILL, 34141624, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 342nd Bombardment Squadron, 97th Bombardment Group. 1 December 1943 to 15 January 1945. Italy. Entered service from: Walnut, Kansas.

SECTION II -- AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 59, WDTCUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following named enlisted man:

ROBERT FLOHR, 35934191, Sergeant, Air Corps, 414th Bombardment Squadron, 97th Bombardment Group. 27 December 1944. Austria. Entered service from: Crestline, Ohio.

SECTION III -- AWARDS OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE) FOR THE AIR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 59, WDTCUSA, 10 July 1944, the First (1st) Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal, is awarded the following named enlisted man:

ANTONIO POMALES, 12061700, Sergeant, Air Corps, 741st Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group. 6 December 1944. Jugoslavia. Entered Service from: Bronx, New York.

SECTION IV -- AWARDS OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 59, WDTCUSA, 10 July 1944, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal, is awarded the following named officers, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement

in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

Members of Headquarters Squadron, 2nd Bombardment Group.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

WILLIAM R. BEDGOOD, O-353526, Major, Athens, Georgia. 27 August to 16 December 1944.

ENOCH E. BROYLES, O-733021, Captain, Gallipolis, Ohio. 22 August to 18 November 1944.

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Section
Award of Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, Posthumously I
Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal II

Members of 742nd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I--AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL, POSTHUMOUSLY

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, W.TOUS., 10 July 1944, the Third Oak Leaf Cluster(Bronze) for the Air Medal, is awarded the following named officer, posthumously, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

RAYMOND L. KLOTZ, 0717448, First Lieutenant, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 20 November to 26 December 1944. Next of kin: Mr. Louis Klotz, (Father), 6922 Bingham Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

SECTION II--AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, W.TOUS., 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

DAVID M. AIKEN, 0720096, Second Lieutenant, Benton, Illinois. 7 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

LEIGHTON A. HOPE, 0829215, Second Lieutenant, New York, New York. 15 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

EDDIE C. MARK, 0827907, Second Lieutenant, Sealy, Texas. 16 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

WILLIAM H. SELLEY, 0828815, Second Lieutenant, Guntersville, Alabama. 16 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

GENE J. GOULL, T192685, Flight Officer, Alton, Illinois. 17 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

JOHN E. HUGGINS, T9846, Flight Officer, Leakney, Texas. 17 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

ARTHUR E. DI GIBLTINO, 32363858, Staff Sergeant, Wilmington, Delaware. 17 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

ROBERT E. LITTLETON, 6143458, Staff Sergeant, ..ttleboro, Massachusetts. 15 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

DAVID D. STEDMAN, 38469133, Staff Sergeant, Tulsa, Oklahoma. 17 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

MALCOLM H. BEERS, 32937635, Sergeant, Osego, New York. 17 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

WILBERT R. CONTRATTO, 17133908, Sergeant, Ionia, Illinois. 17 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

JACK L. EGGERT, 17148829, Sergeant, Hastings, Nebraska. 17 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

JOHN W. [illegible], 38508952, Sergeant, Newport, Arkansas. 17 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

DONALD W. AMANN, 0719529, First Lieutenant, Decatur, Illinois. 6 November 1944 to 15 January 1945.

JOHN J. FAHEY, 0722038, Second Lieutenant, Akron, Ohio. 20 October 1944 to 20 January 1945.

JAMES I. HALT, 02060512, Second Lieutenant, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania. 17 November 1944 to 19 January 1945.

MANGUS J. SIEGFRIED, 0830104, Second Lieutenant, Buffalo, New York. 16 October 1944 to 19 January 1945.

ARTHUR J. DAVIES, 32235349, Technical Sergeant, Oak Ridge, Tennessee. 5 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

ROBERT E. DEMLINE, 35552947, Technical Sergeant, Delta, Ohio. 14 October 1944 to 15 January 1945.

DUANE E. KIESECKER, 37665492, Staff Sergeant, Lena, Illinois. 20 October 1944 to 15 January 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

HARRY J. VANDER VEN, 01540461, Second Lieutenant, Redlands, California. 14 October 1944 to 20 January 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

PATRICK J. SCHIAVO, 13026935, Technical Sergeant, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 1 November to 29 December 1944.

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Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. I

Members of 743rd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group.

SECTION I -- AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 69, WDTCUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

JOSEPH J. DREHER, O-378799, First Lieutenant, Gloster, Mississippi. 27 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

ROBERT S. BRYANT, O-718352, Second Lieutenant, Boulder, City, Nevada. 25 December 1944 to 4 January 1945.

THOMAS C. CAINE, O-776622, Second Lieutenant, San Francisco, California. 15 December 1944 to 8 January 1945.

ROBERT M. FINN, O-828133, Second Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois. 15 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

BILLY E. MYRON, O- 772451, Second Lieutenant, Seattle, Washington, 17 December 1944 to 15 January 1945.

EDWARD T. FITZGERALD, 32726641, Staff Sergeant, Brooklyn, New York. 17 December 1944 to 15 January 1945.

RICHARD N. MC CORD, 13094111, Staff Sergeant, State College, Pennsylvania. 20 December 1944 to 15 January 1945.

CHARLES A. NEIHOFF, 36556088, Staff Sergeant, Detroit, Michigan. 16 December 1944 to 4 January 1945.

ISADORE SALKIND, 33133849, Staff Sergeant, Dover, Delaware. 25 December 1944 to 15 January 1945.

FRANK C. CASINO, 36705427, Sergeant, Bradley, Illinois. 27 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

ARDELL C. DYSTE, 37573367, Sergeant, Oberon, North Dakota. 20 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

HOWARD L. GERBER, 33835642, Sergeant, Port Carbon, Pennsylvania. 27 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

EDWARD J. MALYSIAK, 36749357, Sergeant, Congress Park, Illinois. 27 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

VIRGIL WIEDERKEHR, 39462662, Sergeant, Freer, Texas. 25 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

JOSEPH F. HUGHES, O-824492, First Lieutenant, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
17 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

JOHN E. MC CORMICK, C-2050362, Second Lieutenant, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
6 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

WILLIAM A. GARLAND, JR., 37729670, Staff Sergeant, Marlow, Oklahoma.
23 October 1944 to 19 January 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

CLARENCE P. TAYLOR, O-1546506, Second Lieutenant, Jacksonville, Texas.
17 November 1944 to 19 January 1945.

BOBBIE E. MASSEY, 18191252, Staff Sergeant, Wills Point, Texas.
14 October 1944 to 18 January 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

JACK C. BELL, O-768925, First Lieutenant, Council Bluffs, Iowa.
7 November to 27 December 1944.

CHARLES B. BENNER, O-712364, First Lieutenant, Huntington Park, California.
5 November 1944 to 4 January 1945.

LELVERN C. CORRETT, O-675804, First Lieutenant, Rochester, New York.
15 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

GEORGE E. DEFENBAUGH, O-717020, First Lieutenant, Dewey, Oklahoma.
24 September 1944 to 19 January 1945.

JOHN F. JUREKA, O-826196, First Lieutenant, St. Louis, Missouri.
17 November 1944 to 4 January 1945.

WAYNE D. MERTL, O-822953, First Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois.
18 November 1944 to 15 January 1945.

RUSSELL J. PEDERSON, O-723423, First Lieutenant, Fort Dodge, Iowa. 6 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

RALPH J. ROVIE, O-717323, First Lieutenant, St. Paul, Minnesota. 11 November 1944 to 15 January 1945.

CARROLL SORENSON, O-717241, First Lieutenant, Iola, Wisconsin. 8 October 1944 to 19 January 1945.

WILLIAM J. TRUNEK, O-712049, First Lieutenant, Cicero, Illinois. 20 October 1944 to 8 January 1945.

MIKE J. GURDISH, 33684926, Technical Sergeant, Ellsworth, Pennsylvania. 18 November 1944 to 15 January 1945.

FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

DAVID G. BELLEHEIM, O-[illegible]79, Major, Kansas City, Missouri. 13 September 1944 to 19 January 1945.

MARTIN (NMI) MAURER, O-1691673, First Lieutenant, Watertown, New York. 8 July 1944 to 19 January 1945.

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Section
Corrections of General Orders I
Awards of Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. II

SECTION I--CORRECTIONS OF GENERAL ORDERS

1. So much of Section I, General Orders # 385, this headquarters, 1944 Series as reads ROBERT G. SHELHARD, 0689994, Second Lieutenant, 738th Bomb Sq., 454th Bomb Gp., is amended to read: "ROBERT G. SHELHARD."

2. So much of Section I, General Orders #4119, this headquarters, 1944 Series, as awards the Air Medal to ELMER R. MJESKE, 0753701, First Lieutenant, 32nd Photo Reconnaissance Sq., 5th Photo Group Reconnaissance, Chicago, Illinois, is amended to read: "Missing in action." Next of kin: Mrs. Jerrie E. Mjeske, (Mother), 5707 South Lemon, Chicago, Illinois.

3. So much of Section I, General Orders # 4922, this headquarters, 1944 series, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) to ELMER R. MJESKE, 0753701, First Lieutenant, 32nd Photo Rec. Sq., 5th Photo Gp., Roc., Chicago, Illinois, is amended to read: "Missing in action." Next of kin: Mrs. Jerrie E. Mjeske, (Mother), 5707 South Lemon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

4. So much of Section I, General Orders # 211, this headquarters, US, as awards the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) to ELMER R. MJESKE, 0753701, First Lieutenant, 32nd Photo Rec. Sq., 5th Photo Gr., Roc., Chicago, Illinois, is amended to read: "Missing in action." Next of kin: Mrs. Jerrie Emily Mejeske, (Mother), 5707 South Lemon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

5. So much of Section I, General Orders # 146, this headquarters, US, as awards the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) to STANLEY D. SMITH, 38421246, Staff Sergeant, 815th Bomb Sq., 489rd Bomb Gp., Bellville, Texas., is amended to read: "Missing in action." Next of kin: Mrs. Jennie Smith, (Mother), Bellville, Texas.

6. So much of Section I, General Orders # 139 this headquarters, 1944 Series, as awards the Air Medal to RICHARD M. WHITNEY, 0660913, First Lieutenant, 729rd Bomb Sq., 450th Bomb Gp., Newtonville, Massachusetts, is amended to read: "Missing in action." Next of kin: Mrs. Sadie M. Whitney, (Mother), 490 Watertown Road, Newtonville, Massachusetts.

7. So much of Section II, General Orders # 4840, this headquarters, 1944 Series, as awards the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) to RAYMOND L. KLOTZ, 0717448, First Lieutenant, 742nd Bomb Sq., 455th Bomb Gp., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, is amended to read: "Killed in action." Next of kin: Mr. Louis Klotz, (Father), 6922 Bingham Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

8. So much of Section II, General Orders # 3548, this headquarters, 1944 Series as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) to RAYMOND L. KLOTZ, 0717448, First Lieutenant, 742nd Bomb Sq., 455th Bomb Gp., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, is amended to read: "Killed in action." Next of kin: Mr. Louis Klotz, (Father), 6922 Bingham Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

1944 Series, as pertains to the award of the Air Medal, is amended to include MARSHALL A. BEAVER, 39132352, Technical Sergeant, 716th Bomb Sq., 449th Bomb Gp., Sonoma, California. 18 September to 4 October 1944.

SECTION II--AWARDS OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, WDGS, 10 July 1944, Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named enlisted men, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

Members of 815th Bombardment Squadron, 485ed Bombardment Group

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

ROSS E. CARLOCK, JR., 19207636, Staff Sergeant, Los Angeles, California. 29 October to 17 December 1944.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

EDWARD L. RADELL, 37521914, Technical Sergeant, Fort Scott, Kansas. 20 October to 29 December 1944.

By command of Major General TUNNING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

GERALD N. HRDINA,
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
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Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. Section I

Members of 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp

SECTION I - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listedis awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

EDWARD J. LEWIS, O-783351, Second Lieutenant, Nanticoke, Pennsylvania 16 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

ROBERT R. MESSINA, O-2066011, Second Lieutenant, Staten Island, New York. 13 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

JOHN L. LARMA, T-129604, Flight Officer, East St. Louis, Illinois. 16 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

CHARLES J. OLTARZEWSKI, 32184515, Technical Sergeant, Bayonne, New Jersey. 26 August 1944 to 20 December 1944.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

DONALD H. MC CONNELL, O-720900, First Lieutenant, Lawrence, Kansas. 6 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

JOHN A. COATS, O-2057869, First Lieutenant, Bay City, Michigan. 19 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

JOHN C. ELLIS, O-710574, First Lieutenant, Fort Collins, Colorado. 18 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

GEORGE F. HARVEY, JR., 38508814, Technical Sergeant, Beebe, Arkansas. 15 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

CHARLES B. WILLIS, 11084521, Technical Sergeant, Melrose, Massachusetts. 20 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

ROBERT L. BELDING, 37615213, Staff Sergeant, St. Charles, Missouri. 7 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

RAYMOND J. CICCONE, 13186054, Staff Sergeant, Chicago, Illinois. 20 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

ARDEN D. FICHTNER, 33766964, Staff Sergeant, Hyndman, Pennsylvania. 20 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

JAMES J. MIKOSDIC, JR., 34802745, Staff Sergeant, Thistler, Alabama.
20 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

GERALD E. WAGNER, 13121537, Technical Sergeant, Roanoke, Virginia.
19 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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Section
Awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross. I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation:

For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations. Throughout many long and hazardous combat missions against vital strategic targets deep in enemy occupied territory, though confronted by heavy enemy opposition from highly aggressive enemy fighters and intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire, the personnel listed below have consistently displayed outstanding courage, aggressiveness and intense devotion to duty throughout all engagements. With their aircraft frequently severely damaged by heavy enemy fire, these men have courageously remained at their stations, battling their way through to their targets to aid materially in the utter destruction of vitally important enemy installations and supplies. Heedless of severe and adverse weather conditions encountered over rugged mountainous terrain and surmounting many other major obstacles that faced them during these hazardous missions, these men have gallantly engaged, fought and defeated the enemy with complete disregard for their personal safety and against overwhelming odds. The conspicuous and extraordinary achievements throughout these many missions against the enemy have been of inestimable value to successful combat operations and have reflected great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

DONALD E. JOHNSON, O-725444, Captain, Headquarters, 456th Bomb Gp, Santa Maria, California. Bombardier, Italy, 23 September 1944.

STANLEY A. SAGERT, O-747329, Captain, 746th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Maywood, California. Pilot, Italy, 22 March 1944.

WILLIAM J. ABEL, O-2060447, First Lieutenant, 736th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Jefferson City, Missouri. Navigator, Poland, 18 December 1944.

KENNETH L. BOUGHNER, O-796769, First Lieutenant, 746th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Union, New Jersey. Pilot, Austria, 10 May 1944.

ARTHUR B. CROW, O-746990, First Lieutenant, 745th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Slidell, Louisiana. Navigator, Hungary, 17 September 1944.

HART W. DREIMAN, O-718183, First Lieutenant, 736th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Navigator, Poland, 18 December 1944.

455th Bomb Gp, Kansas City, Missouri. Navigator, Italy, 28 August 1944.

WARREN E. LEE, O-768134, First Lieutenant, 744th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Belgrade, Montana. Pilot, Germany, 13 October 1944. "MISSING IN ACTION." Next of kin: Mrs. Ethel C. Lee, (Mother), RFD #1, Belgrade, Montana.

WILBUR E. LEWIS, O-772859, First Lieutenant, 746th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Rossville, Illinois. Bombardier, Hungary, 13 October 1944.

ROBERT B. MC KAY, O-717247, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 456th Bomb Gp, San Francisco, California. Navigator, Austria, 11 December 1944.

ALVIN W. MILLER, O-711767, First Lieutenant, 747th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Bakersfield, California. Pilot, Germany, 27 August 1944.

VERNICE E. MYERS, O-552300, First Lieutenant, 744th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Kirkwood, Missouri. Co-pilot, Hungary, 2 July 1944.

FREDERICK H. RILEY, JR., O-688679, First Lieutenant, 746th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Rochester, Michigan. Bombardier, Rumania, 5 May 1944.

PAUL J. SHINNER, O-737486, First Lieutenant, 746th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Kalamazoo, Michigan. Pilot, Greece, 24 September 1944.

EDWARD C. VOGEL, O-820859, First Lieutenant, 744th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, San Francisco, California. Pilot, Austria, 7 October 1944.

WILLIAM J. ZOERB, O-813103, First Lieutenant, 759th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, San Francisco, California. Pilot, France, 17 July 1944.

CECIL W. HARRIS, O-717209, Second Lieutenant, 757th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, Point Richmond, California. Navigator, Germany, 12 December 1944.

GROOVER F. PERRY, O-1450379, Second Lieutenant, 744th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Huntington, West Virginia. Pilot, Germany, 4 October 1944.

ROY C. HILL, 35899362, Technical Sergeant, 746th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Indianapolis, Indiana. Engineer, Yugoslavia, 17 November 1944.

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Section

Awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross. I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation:

For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations. Showing a high order of courage, leadership and professional skill, these gallant air crew members have distinguished themselves throughout many long and hazardous combat missions against the enemy despite severe and adverse weather conditions and enemy opposition by large numbers of fighter aircraft and intense, accurate, and heavy anti-aircraft fire. Displaying great combat spirit and aggressiveness, these men have met, engaged and defeated the enemy regardless of the odds and in spite of the fact that at times their planes were so severely damaged that only by extraordinary skill and fortitude were they able to fight their way through to the objective and aid in the grave damage inflicted upon the enemy. By their heroism, skill and airmanship, as shown throughout their combat careers, together with their intense devotion to duty during this period of intense combat operations against the enemy, these men have upheld the highest traditions of the Military Service, thereby reflecting great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

JOHN A. ATKINSON, O-1692870, First Lieutenant, 826th Bomb Sq,484th Bomb Gp, Grace, Idaho. Bombardier, Austria, 15 December 1944.

WILLIAM H. CROOK, O-772145, First Lieutenant, 763rd Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Everett, Washington. Bombardier, Germany, 22 November 1944

JOSEPH N. CRYSTALL, O-723306, First Lieutenant, 826th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Brooklyn, New York. Navigator, Austria, 20 January 1945.

DAVID R. EPPLEY, O-705674, First Lieutenant, 776th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania. Pilot, Germany, 13 October 1944.

JACK M. FRY, O-816454, First Lieutenant, 761st Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Girard, Ohio. Pilot, Austria, 7 October 1944.

ROBERT A. HEROLD, O-708036, First Lieutenant, 764th Bomb Sq, 461st Bomb Gp, Cleveland, Ohio. Bombardier, Germany, 20 November 1944. "MISSING IN ACTION." Next of kin: Dr. Armin B. Herold, (Father), 3706 West 179th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

NEIL E. KAHLER, O-723380, First Lieutenant, 824th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Chicago, Illinois. Bombardier, Austria, 16 October 1944.

WILBURN M. KITCHEN, O-434118, First Lieutenant, 827th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, San Marcos, Texas. Pilot, Rumania, 7 May 1944.

ROBERT A. MAC DIARMID, O-722336, First Lieutenant, 764th Bomb Sq, 461st Bomb Gp, Simi, California. Navigator. Germany, 20 November 1944. "MISSING IN ACTION." Next of kin: Mr. James R. MacDiarmid, (Father), Simi, Ventura County, California.

VERLIN E. RHODES, O-691803, First Lieutenant, 764th Bomb Sq, 461st Bomb Gp, Indianapolis, Indiana. Navigator, Rumania, 31 May 1944.

LEO J. WILLISON, O-707473, First Lieutenant, 762nd Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Olivet, Illinois. Pathfinder Operator, Germany, 16 November 1944.

RAY E. ZEIHANTZ, O-771207, First Lieutenant, 826th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Los Angeles, California. Co-pilot, Italy, 18 September 1944.

THOMAS J. BLACK, O-721593, Second Lieutenant, 827th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Great Falls, Montana. Pilot, Germany, 17 September 1944.

RICHARD E. BROWN, O-829420, Second Lieutenant, 824th Bomb Sq,484th Bomb Gp, Cottonwood, California. Pilot, Germany, 17 December 1944.

HARRY J. PERSOFF, O-1540466, Second Lieutenant, 826th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Brooklyn, New York. Bombardier, Italy, 28 December 1944.

GEORGE J. WILSON, O-2057830, Second Lieutenant, 766th Bomb Sq, 461st Bomb Gp, Westfield, New Jersey. Navigator, Italy, 28 December 1944.

JAMES O. CLEMONS, 37661208, Technical Sergeant, 827th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, New Providence, Iowa. Engineer, Austria, 23 October 1944.

CLARENCE W. EUDAILY, 36475010, Technical Sergeant, 776th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, San Jose, Illinois. Engineer-Gunner, Czechoslovakia, 24 August 1944.

JASON E. GARNETT, 34760630, Technical Sergeant, 722nd Bomb Sq, 450th Bomb Gp, Gainsville, Georgia. Gunner, Austria, 7 October 1944.

FRANCIS L. JENKINS, 33743494, Technical Sergeant, 827th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Canton, Pennsylvania. Engineer, Yugoslavia, 3 September 1944.

JOHN W. LYNCH, 6909723, Technical Sergeant, 776th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Utica, New York. Gunner, Czechoslovakia, 24 August 1944. "KILLED IN ACTION." Next of kin: Mrs. Nettie M. Lynch, (Mother), 1138 Jefferson Avenue, Utica, New York.

RALPH D. MADERA, 18077606, Technical Sergeant, 776th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Plainview, Texas. Engineer-Gunner, Germany, 13 October 1944.

NORMAN B. MILLER, 33758650, Technical Sergeant, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Rockhill Furnace, Pennsylvania. Engineer, Germany, 14 October 1944. "POSTHUMOUS." Next of kin: Mrs. Jean Miller, (Wife), Three Springs, Pennsylvania.

RUDOLPH S. MARTINO, 33441214, Staff Sergeant, 827th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Latrobe, Pennsylvania. Engineer-Gunner, Austria, 22 August 1944.

JAMES H. WRIGHT, 13175236, Staff Sergeant, 776th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Gunner, Czechoslovakia, 24 August 1944. "KILLED IN ACTION." Next of kin: Mrs. Dorothy Rogers, (Mother), 128 Sumac Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

BOBBY D. MITCHELL, O-764389, First Lieutenant, 722nd Bomb Sq, 450th Bomb Gp, San Angelo, Texas. Co-pilot, Austria, 7 October 1944.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

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Section

Awards of the Air Medal I
Award of Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. II

SECTION I—AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following named personnel, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight on the date as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

LEON A. BIRNLEY, 0741576, First Lieutenant, 740th Bomb Sq., 455th Bomb Gp., Long Beach, California. 12 September 1944.

WAYNE M. PETERSON, 39916826, Corporal, 740th Bomb Sq., 455th Bomb Gp., Nampa, Idaho. 12 September 1944.

SECTION II—AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Third Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

Members of 826th Bombardment Squadron, 484th Bombardment Group

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

EDWARD A. BURNSED, 0723571, First Lieutenant, San Pedro, California. 2 October 1944 to 31 January 1945.

WILLIAM M. COX, 0731356, First Lieutenant, San Antonio, Texas. 2 December 1944 to 31 January 1945.

WESLEY F. PEARSON, 01692770, First Lieutenant, Saginaw, Michigan. 23 October 1944 to 31 January 1945.

HARRY J. PERSOFF, 1540466, First Lieutenant, Brooklyn, New York. 22 November 1944 to 31 January 1945.

RAY E. ZEILLETZ, 0771207, First Lieutenant, Los Angeles, California. 2 October 1944 to 31 January 1945.

HENRY J. SKLARSKI, 32676253, Technical Sergeant, Rochester, New York. 23 October 1944 to 31 January 1945.

MORRIS L. BERN., 31942744, Staff Sergeant, Hartford, Connecticut. 23 October 1944 to 31 January 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TINING:

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Section

Awards of Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. I

SECTION I--AWARDS OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, WD, 10 July 1944, Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight on the dates as indicated:

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

BILLY S. ADKINS, 0710864, Second Lieutenant, 762nd Bomb Sq., 460th Bomb Gp., Dallas, Texas. 16 December 1944.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

JOHN H. BURNETT, 0663599, First Lieutenant, 740th Bomb Sq., 455th Bomb Gp., Columbus, Ohio. 14 October 1944.

WILLIAM B. GEMMILL, JR., 0776894, First Lieutenant, 740th Bomb Sq., 455th Bomb Gp., Bethesda, Maryland. 25 December 1944.

ROBERT T. MILLER, 01540460, First Lieutenant, 740th Bomb Sq., 455th Bomb Gp., Dubuque, Iowa. 12 December 1944.

MARTIN D. O'MALLEY, 0768837, First Lieutenant, 740th Bomb Sq., 455th Bomb Gp., Susquehanna, Pennsylvania. 8 December 1944.

WILLIAM F. DRYDEN, 6903444, Staff Sergeant, 419th Bomb Sq., 301st Bomb Gp., Adams, New York. 8 January 1944.

FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

JOHN F. SMILEY, 0722378, First Lieutenant, 757th Bomb Sq., 459th Bomb Gp., Hollywood, California. 14 October 1944.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TINNING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
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Section
Corrections of General Orders I
Award of Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal II

SECTION I--CORRECTIONS OF GENERAL ORDERS

1. So much of Section II, General Orders # 209, this headquarters, OS, as awards the Air Medal to ALVIN L. NOTHEIS, 0773208, First Lieutenant, 20th Bomb Sq., 2nd Bomb Gp., Nyssa, Oregon, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mr. Albert L. Notheis, (Father), Route #2, Nyssa, Oregon.

2. So much of Section II, General Orders # 209, this headquarters, OS, as awards the Air Medal to WILLIAM T. SCOTT, JR., 0552901, First Lieutenant, 20th Bomb Sq., 2nd Bomb Gp., Marshall, Texas, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mrs. Mae Scott, (Mother), 506 East Burleson Street, Marshall, Texas.

3. So much of Section I, General Orders # 4910, this headquarters, 1944 Series, as awards the Air Medal to HENRY L. WILLIAMS, 0675896, First Lieutenant, 777th Bomb Sq., 464th Bomb Gp., Portland, Oregon, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mrs. Ina W. Williams, (Wife), 8106 South East 51st Street, Portland, Oregon.

4. So much of Section I, General Orders # 5086, this headquarters, 1944 Series, as awards the Air Medal to PAUL STEPHENS, T129762, Flight Officer, 20th Bomb Sq., 2nd Bomb Gp., Cincinnati, Ohio, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mrs. Sophie Stephens, (Mother), 1635 Dauner Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio.

5. So much of Section I, General Orders # 2721, this headquarters, 1944 Series, as awards the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) to EDWARD AMBROSINI, 32862617, Technical Sergeant, 742nd Bomb Sq., 455th Bomb Gp., Brooklyn, New York, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mrs. Isabelle Ambrosini, (Mother), 452 40th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

6. So much of Section II, General Orders # 122, this headquarters, OS, as awards the Air Medal to ROBERT G. CHENEY, 32547498, Staff Sergeant, 20th Bomb Sq., 2nd Bomb Gp., Fayettoville, New York, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mrs. Florence Cheney, (Mother), 105 Walnut Street, Fayettoville, New York.

7. So much of Section II, General Orders # 122, this headquarters, OS, as awards the Air Medal to JOSEPH KOLEN, 16035714, Staff Sergeant, 20th Bomb Sq., 2nd Bomb Gp., Chicago, Illinois, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mr. Joseph S. Bobnko, (Step-father), 1162 North Harding Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

8. So much of Section II, General Orders # 2517, this headquarters, 1944 Series, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) to WILLIS O. STEPHENSON, 17098886, Staff Sergeant, 742nd Bomb Sq., 455th Bomb Gp., Topeka, Kansas, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mrs. May Stephenson, (Mother), RFD #2, Bad Axe, Michigan.

OS, as reads RICHARD M. TENNY, 13106709, Staff Sergeant, 762nd Bomb Sq., 460th Bomb Gp., is amended to read: "RICHARL M. TENNEY."

10. So much of Section II, General Orders # 122, this headquarters, OS, as awards the Air Medal to ROBERT K. TRAIN, 36894479, Staff Sergeant, 20th Bomb Sq., 2nd Bomb Gp., Cheboygan, Michigan, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mrs. Doris Train, (Wife), Cheboygan, Michigan.

11. So much of Section II, General Orders # 2765, this headquarters, 1944 Series, as awards the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) to BRUCE W. TUTHILL, 32800250, Staff Sergeant, 742nd Bomb Sq., 455th Bomb Gp., Long Island, New York, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mr. Clifford W. Tuthill, (Father), Merrick Road, Seaford, New York.

12. So much of Section 1, General Orders # 297, this headquarters, OS, as awards the Air Medal to LEWIS H. WATERS, 35893477, Staff Sergeant, 20th Bombardment Sq., 2nd Bomb Gp., Indianapolis, Indiana, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mrs. Irene D. Waters, (Mother), 1810 North Alabama Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

13. So much of Section III, General Orders # 276, this headquarters, OS, as awards the Air Medal to VICTOR A. LENNON, 32371630, Sergeant, 20th Bomb Sq., 2nd Bomb Gp., Catskill, New York, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mrs. Virginia Lennon, (Wife), 440 East Main Street, Catskill, New York.

14. So much of Section II, General Orders # 5005, this headquarters, 1944 Series, as awards the Air Medal to HUGH J. MC GOUGH, 33405381, Sergeant, 777th Bomb Sq., 464th Bomb Gp., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is amended to read: "Killed in Action." Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Mc Gough, (Mother), 329 Knox Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

SECTION II--AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, WDTOUSA, 10 July 1944, the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal, is awarded the following named officer, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

Member of Headquarters 5th Bombardment Wing

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

PAUL T. CULLEN, 017852, Colonel, San Gabriel, California. 4 October to 19 December 1944.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

OFFICIAL:

R. K. TAYLOR,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

GERALD N. FRANK,
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Section
Corrections of General Orders. I
Award of the Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. II

SECTION I - CORRECTIONS OF GENERAL ORDERS

1. So much of Par 2 Sec I, GO#308, this Hq, cs, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster(Bronze) to AUGUST H. LECHNER, O-808434, First Lieutenant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Boundbrook, New Jersey, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mrs. Frieda M. Lechner,(Mother), Route #2 Box 147, Boundbrook, New Jersey.

2. So much of Par 3, Sec I, GO#308, this Hq, cs, as awards the Second Oak Leaf Cluster(Bronze) to HARRY W. PRITCHETT, O-820821, Firs Lieutenant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Danville, Virginia, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Dr. Harry W. Pritchett, (Father), Forest Hills, Danville, Virginia.

3. So much of Par 2, Sec II, GO#5005, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster(Bronze) to WILLIAM J. WILLSON, O-825353, First Lieutenant, 777th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, New York City, New York, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mr. Paul W. Willson, (Father), 2 Park Avenue, New York City,New York.

4. So much of Sec I, GO#364, this Hq, cs, as awards the Air Medal to JACK D. CUTTING, O-777440, Second Lieutenant, 739th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Kansas City, Missouri, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mrs. Angela Cutting, (Wife), 4237 Flora, Kansas City, Missouri.

5. So much of Sec I, GO#364, this Hq, cs, as awards the Air Medal to ARTHUR L. MANDELZWEIG, O-768877, Second Lieutenant, 739th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Cleveland, Ohio, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mr. H. H. Mandelzweig, (Father), 1404 East 111 Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

6. So much of Sec I, GO#364,this Hq, cs, as awards the Air Medal to JOHN B. BLAYLOCK, 34854207, Corporal, 739th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp Thomasville, North Carolina, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mrs. K. L. Blaylock, (Mother), Route 1, Thomasville, North Carolina.

7. So much of Sec I, GO#364,this Hq, cs, as awards the Air Medal to PATRICK D. MACILHON, 37683543, Corporal, 739th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Des Moines, Iowa, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin. Mrs. Bea Macilhon, (Mother), 409 Mull Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

8. So much of Sec I, GO#364,this Hq, cs, as awards the Air Medal to JOHN F. RUSSELL, 11131247, Corporal, 739th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Boston, Massachusetts, is amended to read: "Missing in Action." Next of kin: Mrs. Celia Russell, (Mother), 70 Bromley Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

9. So much of Sec I, GO#483, this Hq, cs, as awards the Air Medal to ROLLAND H. SEAMAN, 36339519, Staff Sergeant, 32nd Bomb Sq, 301st Bomb Gp, is hereby rescinded.

to PAUL F. SHERIDAN, 31090638, Sergeant, 840th Bomb Sq, 483rd Bomb Gp is hereby rescinded.

11. So much o Sec I, GO#385, this Hq, cs, as reads, BERTRAHM H. WEINBERGER, O-1010493, First Lieutenant, 513th Bomb Sq, 376th Bomb Gp is amended to read: "BERTRAM" H. WEINBERGER.

12. So much of Sec I, GO#385, this Hq cs, as reads, WILLARD P. NANZ, 36822894, Staff Sergeant, 513th Bomb Sq, 376th Bomb Gp, is amended to read: WILLARD P."NANZ".

13. So much of Sec I, GO#364, this Hq, cs, as awards the Air Medal to PATRICK D. GILHON, 37683543, Corporal, 739th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, is amended to read: PATRICK D. "MACILHON."

14. So much of Sec I, GO#331, this Hq, cs, as reads, WILLIAM E. THOMAS, 39410329, Technical Sergeant, 319th Dep Rep Sq, 18th ADG, is amended to read: WILLIAM E. THOMAS, 39410329, "Staff Sergeant."

15. So much of Sec I, GO# 278, this Hq, cs, as reads, WILLIAM R. GRADY, O-792015, Major, Hq, 455th Bomb Gp, is amended to read: WILLIAM R. GRADY, O-792015, Major, Hq, "454th Bomb Gp."

16. So much of Sec I, GO#483, this Hq, cs, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster(Bronze) to JAMES E. WILDRICK, O-717561, Second Lieutenant, 32nd Bomb Sq, 301st Bomb Gp, is hereby rescinded.

SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Third Oak Leaf Cluster(Bronze)for the Air Medal, is awarded the following named officer, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

Member of Headquarters, 465th Bomb Gp

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

FRANK J. ALOIS, O-434043, Major, Schenectady, New York.
20 October 1944 to 1 February 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

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Awards of the Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal . . . . . Section I

Members of Headquarters, 455th Bomb Gp

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Oak Leaf Cluster(Bronze) in the categories as listed is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

HENRY J.SCHWARTZ, 36740167, Sergeant, Detroit, Michigan.
19 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

JABE E. BAILEY, O-862775, First Lieutenant, Chickasha, Oklahoma.
18 November 1944 to 15 January 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

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Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. Section I

Members of 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp

SECTION - I - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

BILLY D. HAYES, O-829016, Second Lieutenant, Rock Hill, South Carolina, 27 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

RANDOLPH L. MITTON, O-716511, Second Lieutenant, Freeport, New York. 18 December 1944 to 31 January 1945.

WILLIAM RHETT, O-828336, Second Lieutenant, Clarksdale, Mississippi. 15 December 1944 to 31 January 1945.

SIDNEY J. SOBOLOW, T-129994, Flight Officer, Los Angeles, California, 15 December 1944 to31 January 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

PASCHAL DE SANCTIS, O-1011214, First Lieutenant, Louisville, Kentucky. 18 November 1944 to 1 February 1945.

GEORGE C. LAUR, O-713643, First Lieutenant, Westboro, Missouri. 16 November 1944 to 1 February 1945.

ROBERT V. SCHWAB, O-822111, First Lieutenant, Hillsdale, Michigan. 18 November 1944 to 1 February 1945.

HUGH S. MILES, O-2059414, Second Lieutenant, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania. 11 November 1944 to 31 January 1945.

JAMES H. KING, 13111678, Staff Sergeant, Albany, New York. 11 November 1944 to 31 January 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

JEAN M. FITTER, O-715756, First Lieutenant, Altus, Oklahoma. 6 November 1944 to 31 January 1945.

LEONARD M. BECKMAN, O-722261, Second Lieutenant, Delphos, Ohio. 16 November 1944 to 1 February 1945.

REX M. HANDY, 34774736, Staff Sergeant, Wilksboro, North Carolina.
7 Novemoer 1944 to 1 February 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

GEORGE H. BASLER, O-749744, First Lieutenant, Hoboken, New Jersey.
3 December 1944 to 31 January 1945.

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Awards of the Air Medal, killed in action. . . . . Section I
Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. . II

Members of 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL, KILLED IN ACTION

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following named enlisted men, killed in action, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

RICHARD E. LEWIS, JR., 37529910, Sergeant, St. Joseph, Missouri. 8 January 1945 to 1 February 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Richard E. Lewis Sr., (Mother), 104 Century Apartments, St. Joseph, Missouri.

PHILIP L. SABATINE, 33829741, Sergeant, Roseto, Pennsylvania. 8 January to 1 February 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Antonette Sabatine, (Mother), 747 Roseto Street, Roseto, Pennsylvania.

SECTION II - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

WILLIAM G. DOYLE, O-2065968, Second Lieutenant, Brooklyn, New York. 8 January to 1 February 1945.

FRANCIS C. GLABER, O-2065270, Second Lieutenant, Bruce, Wisconsin. 8 January to 1 February 1945.

JOHN F. KEARNS, O-2069033, Second Lieutenant, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 18 December 1944 to 31 January 1945.

CLARK L. DUDLEY, 16061234, Staff Sergeant, Lewistown, Illinois. 8 January to 1 February 1945.

EUGENE A. VILLANI, 3298444, Staff Sergeant, New York City, New York. 8 January to 1 February 1945.

JOSEPH B. ROMAKO, 33829790, Sergeant, Shenandoah, Pennsylvania. 19 January to 1 February 1945.

LEO WESTON, 37575654, Sergeant, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
8 January to 1 February 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

EDWARD J. THOMPSON, O-2056738, Second Lieutenant, Brooklyn, New York.
22 November 1944 to 5 February 1945.

THURSTON M. DAWSON, 19099151, Technical Sergeant, Ashland, Kentucky.
20 October 1944 to 5 February 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

BRUCE CARLSON, JR., O-2056775, First Lieutenant, Americus, Kansas.
16 October 1944 to 5 February 1945.

RALPH R. REINL, 32742353, Technical Sergeant, Watervliet, New York.
16 November 1944 to 5 February 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

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Section

Award of the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. I

Members of 740th Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I - AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

HOWARD MICHEL, O-2066201, Second Lieutenant, Brooklyn, New York. 20 December 1944 to 31 January 1945.

WILLIAM A. KLEIBER, T-129515, Flight Officer, Lake City, Minnesota. 20 December 1944 to 31 January 1945.

JOHN LAGROTTA, T-129519, Flight Officer, Brooklyn, New York. 18 December 1944 to 31 January 1945.

JAMES P. LIVINGOOD, T-129960, Flight Officer, Woodbranch, New Jersey. 18 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

DANA O. GLIDDEN, JR., 31270210, Staff Sergeant, North Andover, Massachusetts. 26 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

JAMES H. MIDDLESWARTH, 13153203, Staff Sergeant, Yeagertown, Pennsylvania. 26 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

HENRY HOLICA, 36781618, Sergeant, Niles, Michigan. 20 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

JOSEPH J. KINGVELSKI, 36123916, Sergeant, Ruth, Michigan. 25 December 1944 to 31 January 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

KENNETH F. HOSTERMAN, O-2060518, Second Lieutenant, State College, Pennsylvania. 6 December 1944 to 31 January 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

PAUL CARR, O-711130, First Lieutenant, St. Albans, New York. 6 November 1944 to 31 January 1945.

11 November 1944 to 31 January 1945.

LLOYD E. SCHWIEGER, O-926048, First Lieutenant, Mankato, Minnesota.
6 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

HERBERT R. HERT, 35141945, Technical Sergeant, Clinton, Indiana.
22 November 1944 to 1 February 1945.

WILLIAM MAZUR, 35868380, Technical Sergeant, Hammond, Indiana.
17 November 1944 to 31 January 1945.

JAMES P. MC CARTHY, 35767434, Staff Sergeant, Hinton, West Virginia.
17 November 1944 to 31 January 1945.

DALLAS R. PATTERSON, 38601205, Staff Sergeant, Diggot, Arkansas.
17 November 1944 to 31 January 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

BRADFORD H. ALLEN, O-771262, First Lieutenant, Salt Lake City, Utah.
16 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

WILLIAM B. CRAWFORD, O-714033, First Lieutenant, Lubbock, Texas.
16 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

JOE E. YOUNG, 38106955, Private First Class, Girard, Texas.
20 November 1944 to 31 January 1945.

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Section
Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal I

SECTION I--AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight on the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

DAVID E. PLEASANT, 34776041, Sergeant, Thomasville, North Carolina. 16 December 1944 to 1 February 1945. 776th Bomb Sq., 464th Bomb Gp.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

WILLIAM J. KELLEHER, 0823619, First Lieutenant, 765th Bomb Sq., 461st Bomb Gp., Chicago, Illinois. 19 January 1945.

GARLAND O. OWENS, 0718408, First Lieutenant, 738th Bomb Sq., 454th Bomb Gp., Snow Hill, North Carolina. 17 August 1944.

THOMAS M. RYBOVICH, 0540274, First Lieutenant, 429th Bomb Sq., 2nd Bomb Gp., West Palm Beach, Florida. 1 November 1944.

OLEN F. ALTER, 36817565, Technical Sergeant, 738th Bomb Sq., 454th Bomb Gp., Chilton, Wisconsin. 20 January 1945.

WILLIAM MAZUR, 35868380, Technical Sergeant, 740th Bomb Sq., 455th Bomb Gp., Hammond, Indiana. 16 December 1944.

FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

WILLIAM ... LECUYER, 0717560, First Lieutenant, 766th Bomb Sq., 461st Bomb Gp., Taunton, Massachusetts. 19 January 1945.

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Section

Award of the Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. I

Member of 743rd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp

SECTION I - AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Seventh Oak Leaf Cluster(Bronze) for the Air Medal, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

SEVENTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

DAVID S. THAYER, 0-437636, Lieutenant Colonel, Houston, Texas.
18 November 1944 to 2 February 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
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Section

Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal I

Members of 740th Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I--AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, WDTOUE, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories aslisted, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

MALCOLM W. GIFFEE, 0681604, Second Lieutenant, Weatherford, Oklahoma. 18 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

WILLIAM R. FAY, 0695735, Second Lieutenant, Saint Paul, Minnesota. 16 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

FREDERICK P. KENT, 0927095, First Lieutenant, Albuquerque, New Mexico. 19 November 1944 to 5 February 1945.

SHERMAN BROWN, T3752, Flight Officer, Tulsa, Oklahoma. 19 November 1944 to 5 February 1945.

JOSEPH S. MEUNIER, 36818082, Technical Sergeant, West Bend, Wisconsin. 19 November 1944 to 5 February 1945.

LEONARD J. OLVEY, 35146648, Technical Sergeant, Anderson, Indiana. 19 November 1944 to 5 February 1945.

ROBERT M. QUIGLEY, 12168003, Sergeant, Clifton Springs, New York. 19 November 1944 to 5 February 1945.

RICHARD D. SMALL, 17136706, Sergeant, Kansas City, Missouri. 19 November 1944 to 5 February 1945.

BERNARD G. WATSON, 37583087, Sergeant, Duluth, Minnesota. 19 November 1944 to 5 February 1945.

JOSEPH A. JERSIN, 17090630, Private First Class, Denver, Colorado. 18 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
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Section

Awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross. I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944 the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation:

For extraordinary achievement in aerial flight against the enemy in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations. Throughout the extensive air offensive against the enemy in the direct support of our ground troops and against targets of vital strategic importance deep within hostile territory, the personnel listed below, through their aggressiveness and courage, have consistently aided in the success of combat operations. Against heavy opposition from both aggressive and persistent fighter aircraft and intense, heavy and accurate anti-aircraft fire, with their planes frequently seriously damaged by enemy fire, they have battled their way through to their targets, defeating the enemy in the air and destroying his vital installations on the ground. Through severe and adverse weather conditions, over treacherous mountain terrain, they have continually surmounted overwhelming obstacles for successful completions of their assigned missions to attack and destroy the enemy. Through their outstanding leadership and personal example, completely disregarding their personal safety at times of great danger, though at times seriously wounded in the heroic performance of their duties they have contributed to the ultimate defeat of the armed forces of the enemy. Their conspicuous and outstanding achievements in these many missions against the enemy have upheld the highest traditions of the Military Service, thereby reflecting great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

JOHN D. SMITH, O-398858, Major, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Houston, Texas. Pilot, France, 25 June 1944.

ALAN G. BLOMBERG, O-746926, Captain, 817th Bomb Sq, 483rd Bomb Gp, Ogema, Wisconsin. Bombardier, Germany, 26 December 1944.

THOMAS A. DELANEY, O-795341, Captain, 744th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Wappingers Falls, New York. Pilot, Greece, 15 September 1944.

ARTHUR F. RUFFENNACH, O-736657, Captain, 429th Bomb Sq, 2nd Bomb Gp, Brentwood, Pennsylvania. Bombardier, Rumania, 18 August 1944.

ROBERT T. ALLER, O-703022, First Lieutenant, 744th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Wappingers Falls, New York. Bombardier, Austria, 7 October 1944.

ROBERT E. BERRY, O-826858, First Lieutenant, 96th Ftr Sq, 82nd Ftr Gp, Jackson, Mississippi. Pilot, Austria, 30 October 1944.

Ftr Gp, Richmond, California. Pilot, Rumania, 21 April 1944.

JESSE G. FULLER, O-714398, First Lieutenant, 308th Ftr Sq, 31st Ftr Gp, Richmond, Indiana. Pilot, Hungary, 13 October 1944.

WALTER L. GUNN, O-827801, First Lieutenant, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Birmingham, Alabama. Pilot, Germany, 26 December 1944. "POSTHUMOUS." Next of kin: Mr. William A. Gunn, Sr., (Father), 1503 - 34th Street, Birmingham, Alabama.

RAYMOND L. KLOTZ, O-717449, First Lieutenant, 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Navigator, Italy, 12 October 1944. "POSTHUMOUS." Next of kin: Mr. Louis Klotz, (Father), 6922 Bingham Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JOHN T. POLANDO, O-825271, Second Lieutenant, 741st Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Detroit, Michigan. Pilot, Yugoslavia, 19 January 1945.

KENNETH C. SULLIVAN, O-1703093, Second Lieutenant, 37th Ftr Sq, 14th Ftr Gp, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Pilot, Rumania, 21 April 1944.

EARL F. WEDIN, 16023704, Technical Sergeant, 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Iron Mountain, Michigan. Engineer, France, 29 April 1944.

WILLIAM W. SAUTER, 36754704, Staff Sergeant, 341st Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp, Chicago, Illinois. Gunner, Czechoslovakia, 11 November 1944.

PHILLIP F. BAKER, 39131802, Sergeant, 739th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Vallejo, California. Gunner, Austria, 20 January 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
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Awards of Bronze Star Medal. I
Award of the Air Medal II
Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. III
Award of the Air Medal IV

SECTION I -- AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 69, WATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel for meritorious achievement in connection with Military Operations against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

ROBERT E. BASILIERE, 11036713, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 765th Bombardment Squadron, 461st Bombardment Group. 28 July to 17 December 1944. Italy. Entered service from: Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

ALAN M. BRO, 36228098, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 764th Bombardment Squadron, 461st Bombardment Group. 2 April to 29 August 1944. Italy. Entered service from: Appleton, Wisconsin.

RICHARD C. ELEY, 14069626, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 764th Bombardment Squadron, 461st Bombardment Group. 2 April to 16 November 1944. Italy. Entered service from: Iron City, Georgia.

EDWARD F. GOODHUE, 32260572, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 764th Bombardment Squadron, 461st Bombardment Group. 2 April 1944 to 26 January 1945. Italy. Entered Service from: Brooklyn, New York.

MILTON B. GUY, JR., 14067151, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, Headquarters, 325th Fighter Group. 17 July 1943 to 28 November 1944. Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from: Manchester, Georgia.

JOSEPH F. O'LEARY, 36398862, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 764th Bombardment Squadron, 461st Bombardment Group. 2 April to 6 August 1944. Italy. Entered service from: Chicago, Illinois.

CHARLES P. REGAN, 11031661, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 765th Bombardment Squadron, 461st Bombardment Group. 2 April to 26 July 1944. Italy. Entered service from: South Attleboro, Massachusetts.

GELBERT B. TUNNELL, 34334279, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 739th Bombardment Squadron, 454th Bombardment Group. 28 January 1944 to 31 January 1945. Italy. Entered service from: Swan Quarter, North Carolina.

ORVILLE V. TIMMERS, 36221500, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, 317th Fighter Squadron, 325th Fighter Group. 23 February 1943 to 5 January 1945. North Africa and Italy. Entered service from: Green Bay, Wisconsin.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 69, WATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following named personnel, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight on the date as indicated:

Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group. 1 February 1945. Italy. Entered Service from: Kansas City, Kansas.

SECTION III-- AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 69, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal is awarded the following named officer, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight on the date as indicated:

DONALD K. FOTHERINGHAM, O-775050, Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, 752nd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group. 26 December 1944. Entered service from: Beaver, Utah.

SECTION IV — AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 69, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following named officer, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

Member of Headquarters, 376th Bombardment Group.

AIR MEDAL

JOE F. ROBBINS, O-573129, Captain, Fort Worth, Texas. 16 October 1944 to 8 February 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
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Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. . Section I

Members of 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp

SECTION I - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

ANDREW R. WINTER, O-668373, First Lieutenant, Guernsey, Wyoming. 20 December 1944 to 7 February 1945.

HARRY A. DIENER, O-927757, Second Lieutenant, Phoenixville, Pennsylvania. 4 January to 7 February 1945.

GLENN L. PRATT, O-709635, Second Lieutenant, Panhandle, Texas. 28 December 1944 to 7 February 1945.

SIDNEY SCHOENGOLD, O-2066051, Second Lieutenant, Bronx, New York. 20 December 1944 to 7 February 1945.

ROBERT E. MANCL, 36826509, Sergeant, Appleton, Wisconsin. 4 January to 7 February 1945.

LAWRENCE S. RIDENNOURE, 37703779, Corporal, La Junta, Colorado. 4 January 1945 to 7 February 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

ADOLPHUS D. BROWN, 34772801, Technical Sergeant, Crumpler, North Carolina. 20 October 1944 to 6 December 1944.

STERLING A. BRANT, 34872489, Staff Sergeant, Hattiesburg, Mississippi 16 October 1944 to 7 February 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

EVERETT R. JENKINS, O-2001475, Second Lieutenant, Ashton, Illinois. 9 December 1944 to 7 February 1945.

ADOLPHUS D. BROWN, 34772801, Technical Sergeant, Crumpler, North Carolina. 18 December 1944 to 7 February 1945.

JEROME LERNER, 32889247, Staff Sergeant, Mount Vernon, New York. 22 November 1944 to 7 February 1945.

FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

JOHN H. CUMMINGS, O-663599, Captain, Columbus, Ohio. 8 December 1944 to 7 February 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

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Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. I

Members of 743rd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group.

SECTION I -- AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 69, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

SOL I. COURTMAN, O-462562, First Lieutenant, Miami Beach, Florida.
27 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

SHIRLEY H. DAVID, O-831379, Second Lieutenant, Greenwood, Indiana.
28 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

MARTIN H. JENSON, O-719671, Second Lieutenant, Dallas, Texas.
29 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

CHARLES R. KETTLER, O-1322191, Second Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois.
9 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

HERMAN H. MUNDT, O-2066020, Second Lieutenant, Rosalia, Washington.
27 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

ORLO WEBSTER, O-782992, Second Lieutenant, Hudson, Michigan.
16 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

EUGENE H. ECKLUND, 39172040, Technical Sergeant, Ridgefield, Washington.
29 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

WAYNE E. AMDOR, 36900895, Staff Sergeant, LeRoy, Illinois. 29 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

EDMUND T. BALDIKOWSKI, 16192249, Staff Sergeant, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
29 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

GEORGE E. CHAMPEAUX, 19095756, Staff Sergeant, Seattle, Washington.
4 January to 5 February 1945.

BERNARD F. MC ROBERTS, 36477222, Staff Sergeant, Springfield, Illinois.
28 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

JOHN K. KYLE, 34923904, Private First Class, Memphis, Tennessee.
6 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

EDWARD J. ARMBRUSTER, O-2060909, First Lieutenant, Manson, Washington. 22 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

ANTHONY J. COSTA, O-926184, First Lieutenant, Stockton, California. 17 November 1944 to 1 February 1945.

DON E. KAHLEY, O-825894, First Lieutenant, Omaha, Nebraska. 18 November 1944 to 5 February 1945.

KEITH S. FOSTER, O-15400503, Second Lieutenant, Ness City, Kansas. 16 October 1944 to 5 February 1945.

GLENN D. GARBER, T-127663, Flight Officer, Morgan City, Louisiana. 7 November 1944 to 1 February 1945.

VIRGIL A. FROUSSARD, 17038924, Technical Sergeant, St. Louis, Missouri. 18 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

SAMUEL B. FERRISS, 11102183, Staff Sergeant, New Milford, Connecticut. 16 November 1944 to 1 February 1945.

FRANK P. DOUGHER, 3656547, Staff Sergeant, Dearborn, Michigan. 19 November 1944 to 1 February 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

JOHN D. HELBIG, O-826168, First Lieutenant, Akron, Ohio. 15 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

DONALD L. MELTON, O-709603, First Lieutenant, Waco, Texas. 22 November 1944 to 5 February 1945.

CARL A. BARR, O-2060453, Second Lieutenant, Des Moines, Iowa. 17 November 1944 to 1 February 1945.

WALTER I. SUMMERFIELD, JR., O-1540520, Second Lieutenant, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 22 November 1944 to 31 January 1945.

JOHN C. MURRAY, 33642272, Technical Sergeant, Buffalo, Junction, Virginia. 20 November 1944 to 5 February 1945.

CECIL E. BLACK, 34674653, Technical Sergeant, Spray, North Carolina. 22 November 1944 to 5 February 1945.

THOMAS G. SHAW, 12216463, Staff Sergeant, Olean, New York. 5 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

GLENN CALWELL, 19170598, Sergeant, Portland, Oregon. 16 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

EUGENE M. BASSETT, O-776159, First Lieutenant, Cucamonga, California. 20 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

ALFRED HOUSER, O-764893, First Lieutenant, Apache, Oklahoma. 5 November 1944 to 1 February 1945.

ROBERT J. KERNS, O-749780, First Lieutenant, Uniontown, Pennsylvania. 20 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

OLIVER GIBBS, 37074913, Technical Sergeant, Redby, Minnesota. 11 November 1944 to 20 January 1945.

ROBERT N. HERNANDEZ, 19177382, Technical Sergeant, Los Angeles, California. 20 November 1944 to 1 February 1945.

WALTER E. OLSON, 39541204, Technical Sergeant, Huntington, Park, California. 20 November 1944 to 1 February 1945.

JEROME GILL, 15140453, Staff Sergeant, Willoughby, Ohio. 26 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

ROBERT F. HAFNER, 15325528, Staff Sergeant, Owensboro, Kentucky. 16 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

RAYMOND K. NORTON, 35226784, Staff Sergeant, Lima, Ohio. 15 November 1944 to 1 February 1945.

SEVENTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

ANDREWS M. OVEN, 34406625, Technical Sergeant, Tallahassee, Florida. 10 June 1944 to 5 February 1945.

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Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. . . Section I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel for meritorious achievement in aerial flight on the dates as indicated.

AIR MEDAL

WILLIAM E. TALLENTIRE, 15067595, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, Headquarters, Fifteenth Air Force, Flight Section.28 May 1943 to 15 August 1944. Italy and France. Entered service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

BYRON LIMB, 19010938, Sergeant, Air Corps, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp. 12 September 1944. Germany. Entered service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

MICHEL STOHLMAN, JR., 38381248, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp. 29 December 1944. Germany. Entered service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
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Section

Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal I

Members of 740th Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I--AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, WDTC, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

CURTIS G. ALLEN, 0714656, Second Lieutenant, Monroe City, Indiana. 19 November 1944 to 6 February 1945.

CURTIS D. KIRTLEY, 0687434, Second Lieutenant, Colwein, Iowa. 18 December 1944 to 6 February 1945.

CHARLES E. LEWIS, 19057089, Master Sergeant, Bakersfield, California. 18 December 1944 to 6 February 1945.

EARL E. VAN ALLEN, JR., 35607400, Sergeant, Mingo Junction, Ohio. 18 December 1944 to 6 February 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (FOR AIR)

RAYMOND L. BOLLINGER, 13178954, Technical Sergeant, Allentown, Pennsylvania. 19 November 1944 to 6 February 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (FOR AIR)

ROY L. BUSH, 0206928, First Lieutenant, Osceola, Arkansas. 17 November 1944 to 6 February 1945.

JOSEPH V. DARLOSK, 0776562, First Lieutenant, Lansford, Pennsylvania. 25 December 1944 to 6 February 1945.

JOHN J. SUTULIS, 0717571, First Lieutenant, Inglewood, California. 14 October 1944 to 6 February 1945.

NICHOLAS ROSSIGNO, 32008144, Technical Sergeant, Hicksville, New York. 9 December 1944 to 6 February 1945.

ANTHONY L. LALIMENTE, 31122261, Staff Sergeant, Waterbury, Connecticut. 9 December 1944 to 6 February 1945.

1944 to 6 February 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (ARMY)

ALEXANDER G. ALTHIS, 32807996, Technical Sergeant, Glen Cove, Long Island, New York. 18 December 1944 to 9 February 1945.

ROBERT E. PARK, 32246163, Technical Sergeant, State College, Pennsylvania. 18 December 1944 to 9 February 1945.

GARLON G. ALLRIDGE, 34009029, Staff Sergeant, Charlotte, North Carolina. 18 December 1944 to 9 February 1945.

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Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. . . Section I

Members of 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp

SECTION I - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

JAMES S. BRYAN, JR., O-834367, Second Lieutenant, Bern, North Carolina 26 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

FRANK J. KIERNAN, O-2068408, Second Lieutenant, New York City, New York. 8 January to 7 February 1945.

ROSS H. SMITH, O-783373, Second Lieutenant, Cleveland, Ohio. 18 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

FAY L. WILSON, O-701461, Second Lieutenant, Arnold, Nebraska. 20 December 1944 to 7 February 1945.

ERLING KINDEM, 17145246, Staff Sergeant, Northfield, Minnesota. 18 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

FELICE VASQUEZ, 38462506, Staff Sergeant, McAllen, Texas. 18 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

ROBERT A. FRANK, 12190225, Sergeant, Jamaica, Long Island, New York. 18 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

RICHARD W. JAMES, 35586802, Sergeant, Canton, Ohio. 18 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

CHARLES V. TATE, 39920654, Sergeant, Las Vegas, Nevada. 18 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

JAMES J. CONNOLLY, O-2001259, Second Lieutenant, Long Island, New York. 1 November 1944 to 7 February 1945.

HARRY C. HALL, O-710927, Second Lieutenant, Lorain, Ohio. 17 October 1944 to 7 February 1945.

MERLE W. BERGMAN, 35651337, Technical Sergeant, Portsmouth, Ohio. 11 November 1944 to 8 February 1945.

RALPH L. HOSTETTER, 37579637, Staff Sergeant, Guthrie, Minnesota.
5 November 1944 to 8 February 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

HORACE G. HALEY, O-926047, Second Lieutenant, Monroe, Louisiana.
16 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

CLAYTON D. KNOWLES, O-2056642, Second Lieutenant, Denver, Colorado.
16 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

VIRGIL R. EPPERSON, O-695483, Captain, Houston, Texas.
28 June 1944 to 8 February 1945.

AUBREY V. HARWAY, O-722482, First Lieutenant, Rogersville, Alabama.
16 November 1944 to 7 February 1945.

HARRY R. JABLONSKI, 35312308, Staff Sergeant, Cleveland, Ohio.
23 October 1944 to 7 February 1945.

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Section

Awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross. I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation:

For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations. Throughout many long and hazardous combat missions against vital strategic targets deep in enemy occupied territory, though confronted by heavy enemy opposition from highly aggressive fighters and intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire, the personnel listed below have consistently displayed outstanding courage, aggressiveness and intense devotion to duty throughout all engagements. With their aircraft frequently severely damaged by heavy enemy fire, these men have courageously remained at their stations, battling their way through to their targets to aid materially in the utter destruction of vitally important enemy installations and supplies. Heedless of severe and adverse weather conditions encountered over rugged mountainous terrain and surmounting many other major obstacles that faced them during these hazardous missions, these men have gallantly engaged, fought and defeated the enemy with complete disregard for their personal safety and against overwhelming odds. The conspicuous and extraordinary achievements throughout these many missions against the enemy have been of inestimable value to successful combat operations and have reflected great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

FRANK J. LATHER, O-433546, Major, 727th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp, Chicago, Illinois. Pilot, Austria, 31 January 1945.

DOUGLAS F. SANFORD, O-665724, Major, 724th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp, Dallas, Texas. Co-pilot, Poland, 26 December 1944.

RUSSELL W. BADGER, JR., O-716305, First Lieutenant, 760th Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, South Weymouth, Massachusetts. Navigator, Germany, 17 December 1944.

KENNETH L. FRY, O-684717, First Lieutenant, 738th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Canton, Ohio. Pilot, Rumania, 17 August 1944. "MISSING IN ACTION." Next of kin: Mr. Z. M. Fry, (Father), 1376 Maryland Avenue, S. W., Canton, Ohio.

Bomb Gp, Petersburg, Michigan. Pilot, Greece, 24 September 1944.

SELIG J. ALKON, O-718206, Second Lieutenant, 515th Bomb Sq, 376th Bomb Gp, Roxbury, Massachusetts. Navigator, Germany, 22 August 1944.

ROBERT J. GEPHART, O-2058463, Second Lieutenant, 782nd Bomb Sq,465th Bomb Gp, Louisville, Kentucky. Navigator, Germany,18 December 1944.

JAMES H. KENNA, O-2056611, Second Lieutenant, 720th Bomb Sq, 450th Bomb Gp, Jackson, Mississippi. Navigator, Austria, 2 December 1944.

CHARLES W. SPARKS, O-715365, Second Lieutenant, 777th Bomb Sq,464th Bomb Gp, Corrigan, Texas. Pilot, Austria, 16 December 1944.

CHARLES E. STANLEY, O-824007, Second Lieutenant, 777th Bomb Sq,464th Bomb Gp, East Brady, Pennsylvania. Pilot, Germany, 13 October 1944.

DOMINICK J. DELEO, 32896711, Technical Sergeant, 724th Bomb Sq,451st Bomb Gp, Brooklyn, New York. Engineer, Austria, 13 October 1944.

MARSHALL KAHN, 36742298, Technical Sergeant, 824th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Chicago, Illinois. Engineer, Italy, 4 January 1945.

AUGUST J. KOVACIC, 37522227, Technical Sergeant, 827th Bomb Sq,484th Bomb Gp, Arma, Kansas. Engineer, Austria, 22 August 1944.

JOHN R. NEAIL, 32887937, Technical Sergeant, 826th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Glen Cove, Long Island, NewYork. Radio Operator, Austria, 20 January 1945.

MICHEL STOHLMAN, JR., 38381248, Technical Sergeant, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, New Orleans, Louisiana. Engineer, Poland, 26 December 1944.

JAMES W. WATTS, JR., 34670932, Technical Sergeant, 724th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp, Williamston, North Carolina. Engineer, Poland, 26 December 1944.

HARRY A. LONG, 35755998, Sergeant, 725th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp, Enterprise, West Virginia. Engineer, Italy, 4 January 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

KENNETH R. LARSEN, O-699615, Captain, 826th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp, Owatonna, Minnesota. Pilot, Austria, 31 January 1945.

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Awards of the Bronze Star Medal. I

SECTION I -- AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, WDTOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel for meritorious achievement in connection with Military operations against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AUGUSTO BARRA, 11037581, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 777th Bombardment Squadron, 464th Bombardment Group. 26 August 1943 to 1 February 1944. Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from: Boston, Massachusetts.

MARSHALL L. BILLINGS, 35351960, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 743rd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group. 15 February 1944 to 25 January 1945. Italy. Entered service from: Indianapolis, Indiana.

HARLEY C. CHATBURN, 17032959, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 777th Bombardment Squadron, 464th Bombardment Group. 26 August 1943 to 1 February 1945. Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from: Magnolia, Iowa.

ROBERT H. DILLING, 13021745, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 352nd Bombardment Squadron, 301st Bombardment Group. 6 August 1942 to 1 February 1945. England, North Africa and Italy. Entered service from: Martinsburg, Pennsylvania.

SIMON P. FOX, JR., 34291175, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 49th Bombardment Squadron, 2nd Bombardment Group. 4 January 1943 to 19 January 1945. Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from: Shreveport, Louisiana.

DON W. LAWSON, 18005063, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 342nd Bombardment Squadron, 97th Bombardment Group. 1 July 1942 to 1 January 1945. Italy, Africa and England. Entered service from: Fort Worth, Texas.

SAMUEL C. MABRY, 38068981, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 777th Bombardment Squadron, 464th Bombardment Group. 1 November 1943 to 4 February 1945. Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from: Temple, Texas.

EARL K. MARSHALL, 35276043, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, Headquarters, 459th Bombardment Group. 10 February 1944 to 10 February 1945. Italy. Entered Service from: Fort Loramie, Ohio.

LUBO POPOVICH, 39021320, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 96th Bombardment Squadron, 2nd Bombardment Group. 13 October 1942 to 27 January 1945. United States and Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from: Los Angeles, California.

NORMAN E. PRIOR, 38149075, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 429th Bombardment Squadron, 2nd Bombardment Group. 16 April 1943 to 31 January 1945. North Africa and Italy. Entered service from: Cheyenne Wells, Colorado.

KENNETH R. WILLIAMS, 12173061, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 774th Bombardment Squadron, 463rd Bombardment Group. 12 March 1944 to 6 February 1945. Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from: Schuylerville,

Squadron, 450th Bombardment Group. 15 January 1944 to 15 January 1945. Italy. Entered service from: Syracuse, New York.

JOHN F. ALTHOFF, 37075293, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 419th Bombardment Squadron, 301st Bombardment Group. 7 August 1942 to 15 February 1945. England, North Africa and Italy. Entered service from: St. Louis, Missouri.

WILLIAM W. CAMPBELL, 33284416, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 49th Bombardment Squadron, 2nd Bombardment Group.1 April 1943 to 26 January 1945. Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

ORVILLE E. DIX, 15061335, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 777th Bombardment Squadron, 464th Bombardment Group. 26 August 1943 to 1 February 1945. Italy. Entered service from: Evansville, Indiana.

FRANK E. ELLIS, 31184748, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 96th Bombardment Squadron, 2nd Bombardment Group. 18 November 1942 to 11 January 1945. United States, Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from: Houston, Texas.

JAMES A. GUCKIAN, 32199401, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 736th Bombardment Squadron, 454th Bombardment Group. 1 July 1943 to 31 January 1945. Italy. Entered service from: Brooklyn, New York.

RICHARD L. PEARCE, 16091962, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 429th Bombardment Squadron, 2nd Bombardment Group. 16 April 1943 to 31 January 1945. Italy and Africa. Entered service from: Exeland, Wisconsin.

JOHN E. REDMOND, 39092667, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 49th Bombardment Squadron, 2nd Bombardment Group. 4 January 1943 to 25 January 1945. Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from: Portland, Oregon.

JACKSON F. THOMPSON, 39172931, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 429th Bombardment Squadron, 2nd Bombardment Group. 16 April 1943 to 31 January 1945. North Africa and Italy. Entered service from: Port Angeles, Washington.

RAYMOND A. HAYES, 32613096, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, 816th Bombardment Squadron, 483rd Bombardment Group. 9 April 1944 to 10 January 1945. Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from: Dayton, Ohio.

WILLIS W. NYBERG, 39180031, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, 96th Bombardment Squadron 2nd Bombardment Group. 26 October 1942 to 27 January 1945. United States, Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from: Seattle, Washington.

FRANK L. RICHARDSON, 17027974, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, 736th Bombardment Squadron, 454th Bombardment Group. 15 September 1943 to 31 January 1945. Italy. Entered service from: Lost Springs, Kansas.

HAROLD T. BLAKE, 37143065, Sergeant, Air Corps, 352nd Bombardment Squadron, 301st Bombardment Group. 6 August 1942 to 1 February 1945. England, North Africa and Italy. Entered service from: LaCrosse, Kansas.

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Theater of Operations. Entered service from: Huntington, West Virginia.

HENRY M. ROCK, 31149512, Sergeant, Air Corps, 742nd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group. 1 September 1943 to 22 January 1945. Italy. Entered service from: Providence, Rhode Island.

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Corrections of General Orders I
Awards of Air Medal II

SECTION I -- CORRECTIONS OF GENERAL ORDERS.

1. So much of Sect I, GO 731, this hq, cs, as pertains to HOMER . HAGER, T-5709, Flight Officer, THOMAS . [illegible]SON, 35207212, Corporal, [illegible]ORGE D. [illegible] CLAIR, JR., 13175[illegible], Corporal, and IVAN . MICHAEL, 17153[illegible], Corporal, of the 7[illegible]nd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group, is hereby rescinded.

SECTION II -- AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 69, WDTC, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

HOMER . HAGER, T-5709, Flight Officer, East Orange, New Jersey. 17 to 20 December 1944.

THOMAS . [illegible]SON, 35207216, Corporal, Sidney, Ohio. 17 to 21 December 1944.

GEORGE D. [illegible] CLAIR, JR., 13175[illegible], Corporal, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 17 to 20 December 1944.

IVAN . [illegible], 17153[illegible], Corporal, Minneapolis, Minnesota. 17 to 21 December 1944.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL DOOLITTLE:

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Colonel, TSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

. . IVINS,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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Section
Awards of Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. I

Members of Headquarters 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I--AWARDS OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 69, WDGS., 10 July 1944, Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

GEORGE E. MC CORD, 0659744, Major, Dallas, Texas. 14 October 1944 to 7 February 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

NATHAN O. WHITE, 0712439, First Lieutenant, South Coventry, Connecticut. 10 October 1944 to 12 February 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
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Section

Award of the Bronze Star Medal I
Award of the Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal II

SECTION I - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel for meritorious achievement in connection with Military Operations against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

CLARENCE C. JACKSON, 37507466, Technician Fifth Grade, Air Corps, 341st Signal Company Wing. 23 September 1944 to 30 November 1944. Italy. Entered service from Baxter Springs, Kansas.

SECTION II - AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Third Oak Leaf Cluster(Bronze) for the Air Medal, is awarded the following named officer, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

Member of 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

LLOYD W. GRIFFIN, JR., O-377523, Major, Balto, Maryland.
3 September 1944 to 15 February 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

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Colonel, GSC,
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Awards of the Air Medal. I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

DON L. CAMPBELL, O-817625, Second Lieutenant, 757th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, North Ogden, Utah. 30 June to 20 July 1944.

ROGER L. KRAFT, O-820774, Second Lieutenant, 783rd Bomb Sq, 465th Bomb Gp, Forsyth, Georgia. 20 to 22 September 1944.

EARL J. O'BRIEN, O-722929, Second Lieutenant, 783rd Bomb Sq, 465th Bomb Gp, Houston, Texas. 20 to 22 September 1944.

WILLIAM E. PATTON, JR., O-723815, Second Lieutenant, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Buffalo, New York. 12 September 1944.

EDWARD G. RUSOVSKY, O-757090, Second Lieutenant, 774th Bomb Sq, 463rd Bomb Gp, Lebanon, Pennsylvania. 13 June 1944.

FREDERICK P. OTTO, T-128306, Flight Officer, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Long Beach, California. 12 September 1944.

CYRIL P. BOLING, 35098513, Staff Sergeant, 757th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, Indianapolis, Indiana. 6 to 20 July 1944.

RUDOLPH GARCIA, 39274441, Staff Sergeant, 757th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, Los Angeles, California. 2 to 20 July 1944.

ROBERT E. GOLDMAN, 33594704, Sergeant, 783rd Bomb Sq, 465th Bomb Gp, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 20 to 22 September 1944.

BERT L. HAZELTON, 36552909, Sergeant, 757th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, Los Angeles, California. 13 to 20 July 1944.

JOSEPH R. HORVE, 33696506, Sergeant, 783rd Bomb Sq, 465th Bomb Gp, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. 20 to 22 September 1944.

ANGELO MANTUCCI, 31140783, Sergeant, 429th Bomb Sq, 2nd Bomb Gp, Randolph, Massachusetts. 15 to 18 July 1944.

GEORGE D. OLDS, 17106529, Sergeant, 774th Bomb Sq, 463rd Bomb Gp, Junction City, Kansas. 13 June 1944.

CHARLES RICH, JR., 19069795, Sergeant, 757th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, Lansdale, Tennessee. 3 to 20 July 1944.

LEONARD T. ROSEN, 32990778, Sergeant, 783rd Bomb Sq, 465th Bomb Gp, Bronx, New York. 22 September 1944.

JOHN SANGAS, 12147380, Sergeant, 783rd Bomb Sq, 465th Bomb Gp, Woodside, Long Island, New York. 20 to 22 September 1944.

BROOKS K. TRUITT, 39573327, Sergeant, 783rd Bomb Sq, 465th Bomb Gp, Los Angeles, California. 20 to 22 September 1944.

ALANCIO J. CHAPA, 38458262, Corporal, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Mission, Texas. 12 September 1944.

JOHN P. DUSTIN, JR., 31400296, Corporal, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Oakland, Maine. 12 September 1944.

ALBERT ERDEL, 35067813, Corporal, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, McDonald, Ohio. 12 September 1944.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

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Section
Corrections of General Orders. I
Award of Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. II

SECTION I - CORRECTIONS OF GENERAL ORDERS

1. So much of Sec I, GO # 729, this Hq, cs, as reads WILLIAM L. SNODEN, O-224517, Lieutenant Colonel, Hq, 304th Wing, is amended to read: "WILLIAM L. SNODEN, O-224517, Lieutenant Colonel, Hq, 455th Bomb Gp."

2. So much of Sec I, GO # 674, this Hq, cs, as pertains to KYLE J. KINNEY, O-759653, Captain, 48th Ftr Sq, 14th Ftr Gp, is hereby rescinded.

3. So much of Sec I, GO # 654, this Hq, cs, as awards the Distinguished Flying Cross to KYLE J. PINNEY JR., O-759653, Captain, 48th Ftr Sq, 14th Ftr Gp, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mr. Kyle J. Pinney Sr., (Father), 16205 Sorrento Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

4. So much of Sec I, GO # 576, this Hq, cs, as awards the Distinguished Flying Cross to RAYMOND L. [illegible]IT, O-773282, First Lieutenant, 726th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Martha Alice Barrett, (Wife), 217 Retreat Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

5. So much of Sec I, GO # 576, this Hq, cs, as awards the Distinguished Flying Cross to RUSSELL C. [illegible]AY, O-719208, First Lieutenant, 765th Bomb Sq, 461st Bomb Gp, Tucson, Arizona, is amended to read: Posthumous. Next of kin: Mrs. Edith L. Landry, (Mother), Route 4, Box 166, Tucson, Arizona.

6. So much of Sec I, GO # 562, this Hq, cs, as reads D.M. D. GLIDDEN JR., 31270219, Staff Sergeant, 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, is amended to read: "DERIN D. GLIDDEN JR."

SECTION II - AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 69, WDTAGO, 19 July 1944, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal, is awarded the following named officer, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates indicated:

Member of Headquarters, 465th Bombardment Group

PAUL A. TARANTINO, O-677217, First Lieutenant, San Francisco, California. 12 July to 14 August 1944.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL TWINING:

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Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

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Section
Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. . . I

Members of 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp

SECTION I - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under theprovisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

RUDOLPH C. S. CLOY, 30103542, Staff Sergeant, Honolulu, Hawaii.
29 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

JOHN MONTES, 17020761, Staff Sergeant, Topeka, Kansas.
3 January 1945 to 13 February 1945.

HERBERT L. PRYCE, 33624114, Staff Sergeant, Girardville, Pennsylvania
4 January to 13 February 1945.

LLOYD C. KESTNER, 33657410, Sergeant, Holston, Virginia.
18 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

FRANK J. BOJARSKI, 33733795, Corporal, Baltimore, Maryland.
8 January to 13 February 1945.

WALTER P. YINGER, JR., 13141706, Corporal, Baltimore, Maryland.
4 January to 13 February 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

ROBERT P. REYNOLDS, O-777936, Second Lieutenant, Westbury, New York.
6 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

WALTER J. LIPAS, 14119813, Technical Sergeant, Fort Payne, Alabama.
14 October 1944 to 13 February 1945.

CHARLES J. OLTARZEWSKI, 32184515, Technical Sergeant, Bayonne, New Jersey. 26 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

WILLIAM H. TAYLOR, 14161828, Technical Sergeant, Ducktown, Tennessee.
14 October 1944 to 14 February 1945.

ALBERT E. BEAUCHEMIN, 11106402, Staff Sergeant, Adams, Massachusetts.
14 October 1944 to 13 February 1945.

ARTHUR B. COLTON, 36641501, Staff Sergeant, Chicago, Illinois.
13 October 1944 to 13 February 1945.

CRAIG F. KING, 33413360, Staff Sergeant, Arnold, Pennsylvania.
14 October 1944 to 13 February 1945.

FRANCIS J. LAWINSKY, 42048283, Staff Sergeant, Brooklyn, New York.
14 October 1944 to 13 February 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

ROBERT S. DERMONT, 0-2058429, First Lieutenant, Erie, Pennsylvania.
22 November 1944 to 13 February 1945.

HERMAN M. GIBELL, 0-709562, First Lieutenant, Des Moines, Iowa.
9 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

SAMUEL E. JERUZIAN, 0-723977, First Lieutenant, Dorchester, Massachusetts. 20 November 1944 to 13 February 1945.

DANIEL LINDER, 0-926011, Second Lieutenant, Bronx, New York.
18 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

DALE E. NUDELL, 37582136, Technical Sergeant, Buffalo, North Dakota. 18 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

GEORGE V. CARTER, 34440829, Staff Sergeant, Denton, Texas.
18 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

JACK S. LLOYD, 38479135, Staff Sergeant, Secul, Texas.
18 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

JAMES L. BROWN, 37620737, Staff Sergeant, St. Louis, Missouri.
13 October 1944 to 14 February 1945.

SOLOMON C. GOLDBERG, 33748435, Staff Sergeant, Washington, D.C.
20 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

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Section
Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal I

Members of 742nd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I--AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, WD, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

ROBERT J. ARENDT, 02056771, Second Lieutenant, Norristown, Pennsylvania. 31 January to 13 February 1945.

ARNOLD O. LATUS, 02068283, Second Lieutenant, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. 27 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

BERNARD E. TARBES, 02065968, Second Lieutenant, Los Angeles, California. 20 January to 13 February 1945.

ORVILLE G. AKINS, 17091392, Staff Sergeant, Durango, Colorado. 20 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

ROY A. CLIFFORD, 38437024, Staff Sergeant, Blossom, Texas. 20 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

WILLIAM J. FILES, 16031703, Staff Sergeant, Lennison, Illinois. 31 January to 14 February 1945.

ARNOLD G. KLEWER, 36814057, Staff Sergeant, Racine, Wisconsin. 18 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

LEO T. McGIER, 16166857, Staff Sergeant, Gurnee, Illinois. 20 January to 13 February 1945.

MELVIN L. McCLAIN, 36479976, Staff Sergeant, Peoria, Illinois. 31 January to 14 February 1945.

ROBERT E. STEWART, 17026247, Staff Sergeant, Saint Paul, Minnesota. 18 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

LESTER R. TAYLOR, 17125439, Sergeant, Kansas City, Missouri. 18 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

WILLIAM C. RUDDENAUER, 35293664, Sergeant, Newark, Ohio. 31 January to 14 February 1945.

ARTHUR H. ELLIS, 35779943, Sergeant, Point Pleasant, West Virginia. 20 January to 13 February 1945.

WILLIAM F. FLYNN, 33746492, Sergeant, Maplewood, New Jersey. 20 January to 13 February 1945.

KENNETH C. FREY, 33831533, Sergeant, Silbertsville, Pennsylvania. 20 January to 13 February 1945.

GEORGE FRIEDMAN, 31945917, Sergeant, Springfield, Massachusetts. 18 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

PATRICK J. HINES, 31372123, Sergeant, Boston, Massachusetts. 18 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

ARTHUR W. HOPKINS, 33763637, Sergeant, Falls Creek, Pennsylvania. 20 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

JAMES F. LATHAM, 35916072, Sergeant, Akron, Ohio. 31 January to 14 February 1945.

JOHN J. MILKIS, 13133415, Sergeant, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. 20 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

DAVID S. TERRY, 19186537, Sergeant, Burlingame, California. 31 January to 14 February 1945.

JAMES J. WHITTLE, 33787158, Sergeant, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 31 January to 14 February 1945.

FIRST O.K.L.F. CLUSTER (BRONZE)

WILLIAM F. GLASS, 02001257, Second Lieutenant, Allentown, Pennsylvania. 22 November 1944 to 13 February 1945.

CHARLES H. MORRIS, 14159103, Staff Sergeant, Fayetteville, Tennessee. 15 July 1944 to 14 February 1945.

WILLIAM S. MYERS, 38602341, Staff Sergeant, Bradford, Arkansas. 11 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

SECOND O.K.L.F. CLUSTER (BRONZE)

DONALD E. MONTGOMERY, 0677548, First Lieutenant, Akron, Ohio. 18 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

JOHN A. STUART, JR., 0822133, First Lieutenant, East Allenhurst, New Jersey. 11 November 1944 to 13 February 1945.

KENNETH T. HULL, 02060520, Second Lieutenant, Indianapolis, Indiana. 17 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

HOMER H. OSBORN, 0925838, Second Lieutenant, Detroit, Michigan. 4 October 1944 to 13 February 1945.

JOSEPH L. RIMOLDI, 32712117, Technical Sergeant, Long Island, New York. 16 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

ELMER R. [illegible], 19033012, Staff Sergeant, Yuma, Arizona. 25 July 1944 to 13 February 1945.

THOMAS E. MYLES, 15227224, Staff Sergeant, Fayetteville, West Virginia. 12 October 1944 to 13 February 1945.

JOE [illegible] RUSSOLINO, 32776004, Staff Sergeant, Newark, New Jersey. 6 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

JOHN D. TOLBERT, 37706657, Staff Sergeant, Yuma, Colorado. 16 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

RICHARD J. KELLER, 0771050, First Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois. 4 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

MILTON S. SCHEIS, 02056644, First Lieutenant, Houston, Texas. 6 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

FRANK [illegible] CROSBY, 31270368, Technical Sergeant, Framingham, Massachusetts. 22 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

ELMER E. KELLER, 6520263, Technical Sergeant, Chicago, Illinois. 4 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

WILLIAM [illegible] HELM, 12043847, Technical Sergeant, Los Angeles, California. 4 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

ROBERT G. [illegible]SON, 35537922, Staff Sergeant, Toledo, Ohio. 4 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

THOMAS [illegible] STURNIOLO, 32888907, Staff Sergeant, Brooklyn, New York. 4 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

PATRICK J. SCHIAVO, 12026935, Technical Sergeant, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 20 January to 14 February 1945.

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Section
Corrections of General Orders. I
Awards of Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. II

SECTION I - CORRECTIONS OF GENERAL ORDERS

1. So much of Sec III, GO # 636, this Hq, cs, as reads DONALD K. FATHERINGHAM, O-775850, Second Lieutenant, 752nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, is amended to read: "742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp".

2. So much of Sec I, GO # 4476, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Air Medal to WADE MATHENY, 36307275, Technical Sergeant, 759th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, is hereby rescinded.

3. So much of Sec I, GO # 5023, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to WADE MATHENY, 36307275, Technical Sergeant, 759th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, is hereby rescinded.

4. So much of Sec II, GO # 198, this Hq, cs, as awards the Air Medal to HERBERT L. ESSEX, 6150294, Technical Sergeant, 773rd Bomb Sq, 463rd Bomb Gp, is hereby rescinded.

5. So much of Sec II, GO # 4134, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Silver Star Medal to JAMES A. O'NEAL, 6960139, Technical Sergeant, 719th Bomb Sq, 449th Bomb Gp, is hereby rescinded.

6. So much of Sec I, GO # 4487, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the Air Medal to WILLIAM L. WALLIS, 38293132, Staff Sergeant, 840th Bomb Sq, 483rd Bomb Gp, is hereby rescinded.

7. So much of Sec I, GO # 746, this Hq, cs, as awards the Air Medal to PAUL E. VINYARD, 36595056, Staff Sergeant, 762nd Bomb Sq, 460th Bomb Gp, Flint, Michigan, is hereby rescinded.

8. So much of Sec I, GO # 581, this Hq, cs, as awards the Air Medal to LEO WESTON, 37575654, Sergeant, 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Minneapolis, Minnesota, is amended to read: "Posthumous". Next of kin: Mrs. June L. Weston, (Wife), 5309 Nokomis Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

9. So much of Sec II, GO # 27, this Hq, cs, as awards the Second Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to ALBERT N. EDELSTEIN, O-822031, First Lieutenant, 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Sanford, Maine, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Benjamin Edelstein, (Mother), 8 East Street, Sanford, Maine.

10. So much of Sec II, GO # 3991, this Hq, 1944 series, as awards the First Oak Leaf Cluster (Bronze) for the Air Medal to ALBERT N. EDELSTEIN, O-822031, First Lieutenant, 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Sanford, Maine, is amended to read: "Missing in Action". Next of kin: Mrs. Benjamin Edelstein, (Mother), 8 East Street, Sanford, Maine.

SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 59, WATOUSA, 10 July 1944, an Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named officers, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

Members of 756th Bombardment Squadron, 459th Bombardment Group

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

WADE MATHENY, O-1998904, Second Lieutenant, Naperville, Illinois. 19 September to 11 November 1944.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

WADE MATHENY, O-1998904, Second Lieutenant, Naperville, Illinois. 20 November to 17 December 1944.

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Awards of Bronze Star Medal. . . . . Section I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 69, WDCGS, 10 July 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel, for meritorious achievement in connection with Military Operations against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

BAILEY F. JENKINS, 3419[illegible]91, First Sergeant, Air Corps, 828th Bomb Sq, 485th Bomb Gp. 15 November 1943 to 7 February 1945. Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from Vernon, Alabama.

JOHN J. GNEWCENSKI, 32276512, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 512th Bomb Sq, 376th Bomb Gp. 1 February 1943 to 25 January 1945. Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from Woodbridge, New Jersey.

PHILIP J. GOAN, 1PO45069, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 345th Bomb Sq, 96th Bomb Gp. July 1942 to January 1945. Middle East, North Africa, and Italy. Entered service from Caribou, Maine.

EMET C. HAGEMAN, 19130154, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 724th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp. 26 December 1943 to 1 February 1945. Italy. Entered service from Sacramento California.

WILLIAM F. HUSMANN, 16018697, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 514th Bomb Sq, 376th Bomb Gp. 1 November 1943 to 20 January 1945. Italy. Entered service from Springfield, Illinois.

BERNARD MIZERA, 7031278, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 739th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp. January 1944 to 12 February 1945. Italy. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

WILLIAM A. PERKILA, 6543930, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 826th Bomb Sq, 484th Bomb Gp. 12 April to 25 August 1944. Italy. Entered service from Highland Park, Michigan.

BENJAMIN D. TURNER, 32551398, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, 744th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp. February 1944 to February 1945. Italy. Entered service from Bolivar, New York.

ELDON M. BURNETT, 34595050, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 724th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp. 26 December 1944 to 1 February 1945. Italy. Entered service from Canton, North Caroline.

JOHN O. KAY, 39554457, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 747th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp. 1 February 1944 to 1 February 1945. Italy. Entered service from Alhambra, California.

WILLIAM J. LLEWELLYN, 13022296, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 780th Bomb Sq, 465th Bomb Gp. 15 August 1943 to 14 February 1945. Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from Shamokin, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT A. HENDRY, 39694176, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp. 3 September 1943 to 20 January 1945. Italy. Entered service from Santa Barbara, California.

JOHN D. JORDAN, 14062316, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, 724th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp. 26 December 1943 to 26 December 1944. Italy. Entered service from Charlotte, North Carolina.

HOUGHTON V. ORNE, 31117616, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, 513th Bomb Sq, 376th Bomb Gp. 15 July 1943 to 31 December 1944. Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered service from Boothbay Harbor, Maine.

LOUIS J. STERN, 36352344, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, Hq & Hq Sq, 47th Bomb Wg. 1 January 1943 to 1 January 1945. North Africa and Italy. Entered service from Chicago, Illinois.

ICY C. PATE, 38528717, Sergeant, Air Corps, 724th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp. 26 December 1944 to 1 February 1945. Italy. Entered service from San Antonio, Texas.

JACK W. ROSKE, 19037368, Sergeant, Air Corps, 744th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp. August 1944 to February 1945. Italy. Entered service from Reedley, California.

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Awards of Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. . . . . Section I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NAMOUSA, 10 July 1944, an Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight on the dates as indicated:

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

CHARLES C. BRAKE, 19124556, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 817th Bomb Sq, 483rd Bomb Gp. 5 February 1945. Germany. Entered service from Billings, Montana.

ALLEN L. BROOKS, 38608033, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, 817th Bomb Sq, 483rd Bomb Gp. 5 February 1945. Germany. Entered service from Tahoka, Texas.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

DONALD L. AYRES, O-717857, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, 725th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp. 20 January 1945. Austria. Entered service from Canton, Pennsylvania.

FRED R. CARSTETTER, O-798748, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, 725th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp. 20 January 1945. Austria. Entered service from Milroy, Pennsylvania.

CLARK N. NELSON, O-798564, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, 725th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp. 20 January 1945. Austria. Entered service from Boone, Iowa.

JOHN C. AGATHON, O-2057039, Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp. 26 December 1944. Poland. Entered service from Long Island City, New York.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

CHARLES E. YENKNER, O-1602057, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, 725th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp. 13 October 1944. Austria. Entered service from Meriden, Connecticut.

WILLIAM D. CRAWLEY, 14185341, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 352nd Bomb Sq, 301st Bomb Gp. 20 October 1944. Czechoslovakia. Entered service from Banks, Alabama.

WILLIAM A. SNEDDON, 35560073, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 756th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp. 16 January 1945. Austria. Entered service from Knightsville, Indiana.

FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

CHARLES E. YENKNER, O-1602057, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, 725th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp. 20 January 1945. Austria. Entered service from Meriden, Connecticut.

Bomb Gp. 17 December 1944. Germany. Entered service from Denver, Colorado.

JOHN R. THOMPSON, 38402325, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, 414th Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp. 8 January 1945. Austria. Entered service from Stillwater, Oklahoma.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
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Section

Awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross. I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation:

For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations Throughout many long and hazardous combat missions against vital strategic targets deep in enemy occupied territory, though confronted by heavy enemy opposition from highly aggressive enemy fighters and intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire, the personnel listed below have consistently displayed outstanding courage, aggressiveness and intense devotion to duty throughout all engagements. With their planes frequently severely damaged by heavy enemy fire, these men have courageously remained at their stations, battling their way through to their targets to aid materially in the utter destruction of vitally important enemy installations and supplies. Heedless of severe and adverse weather conditions encountered over rugged mountainous terrain and surmounting many other major obstacles that faced them during these hazardous missions, these men have gallantly engaged, fought and defeated the enemy with complete disregard for their personal safety and against overwhelming odds. The conspicuous and extraordinary achievements throughout these many missions against the enemy have been of inestimable value to successful combat operations and have reflected great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

VIRGIL R. EMERSON, O-595483, Captain, 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Goose Creek, Texas. Bombardier, France, 25 June 1944.

DONALD L. BONE, O-817384, First Lieutenant, 741st Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Aliquippa, Pennsylvania. Pilot, Czechoslovakia, 20 December 1944.

ROGER O. BOONSTRA, O-706610, First Lieutenant, 747th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Munster, Indiana. Bombardier, Germany, 22 August 1944.

FRANCIS H. HESS, O-702275, First Lieutenant, 756th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, Kingwood, West Virginia. Pilot, Austria, 15 January 1945.

LOUIS T. HOGELS, O-690808, First Lieutenant, 757th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, Pasadena, Maryland. Bombardier, Bulgaria, 30 March 1944.

HOWARD A. IRWIN, O-1692074, First Lieutenant, 747th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Laureldale, Pennsylvania. Pilot, Austria, 29 December 1944.

FINIS H. JOSEY, O-827860, First Lieutenant, 741st Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Starkville, Mississippi. Pilot, Austria, 15 January 1945.

Bomb Gp, Chicago, Illinois. Navigator, Czechoslovakia, 15 November 1944.

ROBERT E. HEEGAN, O-717345, First Lieutenant, 747th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Washington, Pennsylvania. Navigator, Italy, 25 September 1944.

FRED W. KONKEL, JR., O-684006, First Lieutenant, 757th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, San Francisco, California. Pilot, Italy, 29 March 1944.

MAX KUNIANSKY, O-723635, First Lieutenant, 737th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Atlanta, Georgia. Navigator, Austria, 16 October 1944.

EARL E. LEVALLEY, O-691276, First Lieutenant, 747th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Maysville, Oklahoma. Pilot, Germany, 13 October 1944.

MARTIN MAURER, O-1691673, First Lieutenant, 743rd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp, Watertown, New York. Pilot, Austria, 15 January 1945.

LLOYD A. OLSEN, O-705413, First Lieutenant, 756th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, Norman, Nebraska. Pilot, Germany, 17 December 1944.

DONALD H. PERRY, O-721196, First Lieutenant, 736th Bomb Sq, 454th Bomb Gp, Palo Alto, California. Pilot, Austria, 31 January 1945.

ANTHONY E. PURMAN, JR., O-822967, First Lieutenant, 757th Bomb Sq, 459th Bomb Gp, Birmingham, Michigan. Pilot, Poland, 18 December 1944.

DONALD G. ROWLAND, O-716536, First Lieutenant, 745th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp, Seymour, Connecticut. Navigator, Austria, 29 December 1944.

LOUIS F. KENT, 32516511, Staff Sergeant, 741st Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp. Long Island City, New York. Engineer, Austria, 7 February 1945.

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Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal . . . . Section I

Members of 742nd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I—AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 83, WDGSC, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

DAVID ABEL, 0823874, Second Lieutenant, Bronx, New York, New York. 1 to 15 February 1945.

RICHARD G. BAUMGARDNER, 02073012, Second Lieutenant, Wabash, Indiana. 1 to 16 February 1945.

ROBERT E. COMBS, 0494656, Second Lieutenant, Greenview, Missouri. 15 January to 15 February 1945.

JOHN I. HANCOCK, 01917010, Second Lieutenant, Beverly, Kentucky. 31 January to 15 February 1945.

RUDOLPH H. LARSON, 02065784, Second Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois. 31 January 1945 to 15 February 1945.

OTTO J. TRUMM, 02060150, Second Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois. 5 to 16 February 1945.

HAROLD E. LITTLE, T129534, Flight Officer, Florey, Texas. 18 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

ANDREW T. ARIAS, 32745335, Staff Sergeant, LeKelh Junction, New York. 20 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

OWEN L. HANLEY, 31132693, Staff Sergeant, Adelindale, Massachusetts. 18 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

WESLEY V. MC MILLS, 37521883, Staff Sergeant, Columbus, Kansas. 20 January 1945. to 13 February 1945.

REAL E. MILLETTE, 33834840, Sergeant, Ashland, Pennsylvania. 20 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

1944 to 15 February 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

ROBERT L. THUTHER, 0676976, First Lieutenant, South Gate, California. 20 November 1944 to 16 February 1945.

HENRY FISHER, 32778793, Technical Sergeant, Paterson, New Jersey. 6 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

ALBERT J. GERTIG, 31363781, Technical Sergeant, Malden, Massachusetts. 6 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

WILLIAM H. GYSIN, 11140789, Staff Sergeant, Beverly, Massachusetts. 6 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

JOHN E. BROWN, 18001948, Sergeant, Grand Junction, Colorado. 6 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

GEORGE J. SHEEHAN, 11285595, Sergeant, Ludlow, Vermont, 6 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

RAY M. GROOMS, 0823505, First Lieutenant, Evergreen, North Carolina. 15 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

GERALD D. FRIEND, 35149178, Staff Sergeant, Kenner, Indiana. 7 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

EVERETT J. JOHNSON, 36778317, Staff Sergeant, Jepron, Illinois. 16 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

LEVIL L. NELSON, 17130668, Staff Sergeant, Mitchell, South Dakota. 20 November 1944 to 16 February 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

ELVIN H. JENKINS, 0717218, First Lieutenant, University City, Missouri. 6 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

CHARLES G. SIEGEL, 0718152, First Lieutenant, New York, New York. 6 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

CLIFFORD E. WRIGHTSON, 0818782, First Lieutenant, Santa Barbara, California. 6 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

GEORGE M. CURIE, 13179116, Staff Sergeant, New Field, New Jersey. 17 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

RICHARD J. LARRICK, 19140741, Staff Sergeant, San Francisco, California. 6 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

CHARLES G. WESLEY, 37515729, Staff Sergeant, Lighton, Kansas. 6 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

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23 February 1945.

Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. . . . . Section I

Members of 740th Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

FRED R. HAMILTON, 39296319, Staff Sergeant, Lomita, California. 20 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

CARLTON J. MADDOX, 38507576, Staff Sergeant, Conway, Arkansas. 31 January to 16 February 1945.

ROBERT R. ROSS, 37570609, Staff Sergeant, St. Paul, Minnesota. 31 January to 16 February 1945.

CARMELLO J. CANNATA, 11101085, Sergeant, New Britain, Connecticut. 4 January to 16 February 1945.

WALTER A. NINKER, 37622360, Corporal, St. Louis, Missouri. 19 January to 15 February 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

STEVE A. PETERSEN, O-710501, First Lieutenant, Racine, Wisconsin. 15 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

WILLIAM M. ENNIS JR., O-827408, Second Lieutenant, Brooklyn, New York. 6 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

ROBERT B. HAWKE, O-2001541, Second Lieutenant, Spokane, Washington. 22 November 1944 to 15 February 1945.

FRANCIS J. BRENNAN, 42000506, Sergeant, Elizabeth, New Jersey. 18 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

LAWREN B. KITTENHOUSE, 39577100, Sergeant, Pasadena, California. 5 September 1944 to 16 February 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

IRVING BETKE, O-710418, First Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois. 5 November 1944 to 16 February 1945.

GEORGE A. JENSEN, O-709586, First Lieutenant, San Francisco, California. 27 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

EDWARD F. MEYERS, O-926013, Second Lieutenant, Elsberry, Missouri. 20 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

JAMES MARTIN, 17031691, Technical Sergeant, Venice, California. 18 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

GEORGE L. DIX, 38541822, Staff Sergeant, Houston, Texas. 18 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

EDWARD G. SPENCER, 31335274, Staff Sergeant, New Haven, Connecticut. 25 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

DONALD C. CROSBY, O-822895, First Lieutenant, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. 18 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

WILLIAM P. MOORE, 18061169, Technical Sergeant, Bryan, Texas. 17 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

ARNOLD P. KARON, 16161853, Staff Sergeant, Rock Island, Illinois. 27 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

WILLIAM S. PALANUK, 39342163, Staff Sergeant, Eugene, Oregon. 18 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

GOLDMAN W. VICK, 14158528, Staff Sergeant, Nashville, Tennessee. 6 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

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Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. . . Section I

Members of 743rd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp

SECTION I - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

ROBERT DEWEY, O-719576, First Lieutenant, Winnetka, Illinois.
27 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

ROBERT HAIRSTON, O-2065981, Second Lieutenant, Raleigh, North Carolina
26 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

RUDY KRUEGER, O-2065995, Second Lieutenant, Portage, Alaska.
27 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

CHARLES W. ROHLER, O-528380, Second Lieutenant, Ellis, Kansas.
26 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

WILLIAM J. RILEY, T-127618, Flight Officer, Cleveland, Ohio.
27 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

JOHN BURIC, 35376946, Staff Sergeant, Tunnelton, West Virginia.
28 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

GEORGE V. GARTON, 38472347, Staff Sergeant, Red Rock, Oklahoma.
19 January to 13 February 1945.

GORDON R. WEBBER, 31280099, Staff Sergeant, West Hartford, Connecticut
8 January to 5 February 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

DONALD J. ANDERTON, O-825535, First Lieutenant, Hoytsville, Utah.
20 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

RALPH BANKS, O-780128, First Lieutenant, Lynch, Kentucky,
18 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

JEAN P. BALTZELL, O-1017970, First Lieutenant, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 22 November 1944 to 13 February 1945.

EVERT GUSTAFSON, O-2057753, First Lieutenant, Rockford, Illinois.
25 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

JOE B. HUNTER, O-709144, First Lieutenant, Waco, Texas.
16 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

EDWARD F. JOHNSON, O-720394, First Lieutenant, Princeton, New Jersey.
18 December 1944 to 6 February 1945.

THOMAS J. MACAULAY, O-777008, First Lieutenant, Dayton, Ohio.
20 November 1944 to 5 February 1945.

WILLIAM A. PRINCE, Jr., O-2059117, First Lieutenant, Pittsburg, Kansas
17 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

DARRELL G. SHOOK, O-925835, First Lieutenant, Spokane, Washington.
11 October 1944 to 5 February 1945.

IRVING WERMUTH, O-828842, First Lieutenant, Newark, New Jersey.
22 November 1944 to 15 February 1945.

BERNARD WILSTEIN, T-126722, Flight Officer, Philadelphia, Pennsylvani
17 November 1944 to 8 February 1945.

JOHN G. SIMS, 37559473, Technical Sergeant, Dresbach, Minnesota.
20 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

WILLIAM TARTAGLIA, 11097127, Technical Sergeant, Johnston, Rhode Island. 18 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

LEO H. LYON, 17198123, Staff Sergeant, Anthon, Iowa.
18 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

DONALD D. SHOLES, 34897877, Staff Sergeant, Sparta, North Carolina.
28 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

MILTON A. SIMON, 32907225, Staff Sergeant, Brooklyn, New York.
27 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER(3 OVSL)

ALEXANDER P. BELTRAMI, O-15400531, First Lieutenant, West New York, New Jersey. 18 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

JOHN R. LUDEMAN, O-2060322, First Lieutenant, Brooklyn, New York.
28 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

HERMAN M. ZAGORIA, O-1540521, First Lieutenant, Somerville, New Jerse
7 December 1944 to 9 February 1945.

DONALD J. METZ, O-827900, Second Lieutenant, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
19 November 1944 to 15 February 1945.

LOUIS J. BOTTI, 32912593, Technical Sergeant, Union City, New Jersey.
25 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

JAMES L. GOOSTREE, 36670024, Technical Sergeant, Chicago, Illinois.
7 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

ALBERT A. SPOHR, 36817171, Technical Sergeant, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
18 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

WILLIAM L. WALKER, 15335895, Technical Sergeant, Gary, Indiana.
17 November 1944 to 13 February 1945.

JOSEPH V. WOOLLY, 19170791, Technical Sergeant, Portland, Oregon.
17 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

ALEX M. COOK, 34579524, Staff Sergeant, Colgwitt, Georgia.
20 December 1944 to 15 January 1945.

ADAM H. CZARNATOWICZ, 12206151, Staff Sergeant, Elizabeth, New Jersey
17 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

WILLIAM F. ERICKSON, 19170760, Staff Sergeant, Oregon City, Oregon.
25 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

WILLIAM J. HEITKAMP, 39716080, Staff Sergeant, Glendale, California.
17 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

RICHARD H. KUHNZ, 36832876, Staff Sergeant, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.
28 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

JOHN T. MAGEE, 12227662, Staff Sergeant, Brooklyn, New York.
17 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

HARRY N. MIDDLETON, 42081136, Staff Sergeant, Camden, New Jersey.
7 December 1944 to 9 February 1945.

DORIN LAURENTER, 36885072, Staff Sergeant, Onsted, Michigan.
7 December 1944 to 9 February 1945.

ERNEST V. ROBERTS, 34808298, Staff Sergeant, Sumnerdale, Alabama.
17 December 1944 to 12 February 1945.

KENNETH O. ROEGNER, 12080674, Staff Sergeant, Rochester, New York.
12 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

ELDRED J. SPECHT, 37680268, Staff Sergeant, Dubuque, Iowa.
20 November 1944 to 5 February 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

JAMES N. BROWN, O-772273, First Lieutenant, Laramie, Wyoming.
16 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

DOMINIC VERCELLONE, 11099014, Technical Sergeant, Springfield, Massachusetts. 16 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

BOBBIE E. WASSLEY, 18191252, Staff Sergeant, Wills Point, Texas.
19 January to 13 February 1945.

FRANKLYN V. MESSENGER, Jr., 33588195, Staff Sergeant, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 8 January to 5 February 1945.

ALEXANDER C. MONTGOMERY, 18135365, Staff Sergeant, Shreveport, Louisiana. 9 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

HENRY B. EVERHART, 13136372, Staff Sergeant, Baltimore, Maryland. 28 December 1944 to 13 Februsry 1945.

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Section
Awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross. I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation:

For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Throughout many long and hazardous combat missions against vital strategic targets deep in enemy occupied territory, though confronted by heavy enemy opposition from highly aggressive enemy fighters and intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire, the personnel listed below have consistently displayed outstanding courage, aggressiveness and intense devotion to duty throughout all engagements. With their aircraft frequently severely damaged by heavy enemy fire, these men have courageously remained at their stations, battling their way through to their targets to aid materially in the utter destruction of vitally important enemy installations and supplies. Heedless of severe and adverse weather conditions encountered over rugged mountainous terrain and surmounting many othe major obstacles that faced them during these hazardous missions, these men have gallantly engaged, fought and defeated the enemy with complete disregard for their personal safety and against overwhelming odds. The conspicuous and extraordinary achievements throughout these many missions against the enemy have been of inestimable value to successful combat operations and have reflected great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

ROBERT L. GARCIA, O-737059, Captain, Air Corps, 318th Fighter Squadron, 325th Fighter Group. Tucson, Arizona. Pilot, Hungary, 13 April 1944.

JOHN F. [illegible] CAULAY, O-1010252, Captain, Air Corps, 824th Bomb Squadron, 484th Bomb Group. Chicago, Illinois. Radar Navigator, Germany. 5 February 1945.

DONALD L. MACDOUGALL, O-732037, Captain, Air Corps, 76[illegible]th Bomb Squadron, 461st Bomb Group. Cranston, Rhode Island. Pilot, France. 25 June 1944.

JOHN [illegible]. STEBBINS, O-751981, Captain, Air Corps, 827th Bomb Squadron, 484th Bomb Group. North East, Pennsylvania. Pilot, Rumania, 11 June 1944.

WILLIAM L. [illegible]ACHER, O-717869, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, 826th Bomb Squadron, 484th Bomb Group, Littrick, Virginia. Bombardier, Germany. 16 February 1945.

HAROLD RAU, JR., O-716945, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, 758th Bomb Squadron, 459th Bomb Group. Lacrosse, Wisconsin, Bombardier, Austria. 7 October 1944.

THOMAS N. MOLLY, JR., O-828234, Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, 724th Bomb Squadron, 451st Bomb Group. Douglasville, Georgia, CO-Pilot, Germany, 18 December 1944.

WILLIAM [illegible], 35868380, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 740th Bomb Squadron, 455th Bomb Group. Hammond, Indiana. Engineer, Germany, 14 October 1944.

RAYMOND F. MORRIS, 37500534, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 724th Bomb Squadron, 451st Bomb Group. Okeene, Oklahoma. Engineer, Germany, 18 December 1944.

MATT E. PALTO, 19095100, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 763rd Bomb Squadron, 460th Bomb Group. Great Falls, Montana. Engineer, Austria, 14 February 1945.

WALTER L. LYNN, 31378476, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, 765th Bomb Squadron, 461st Bomb Group. Essex, Connecticut. Engineer Gunner, Germany. 12 December 1944.

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Section

Awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross. I

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation:

For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Consistently performing vital strategic combat missions against heavy enemy opposition from highly aggressive fighter aircraft and intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire, the personnel,listed below have displayed outstanding courage, aggressiveness and intense devotion to duty throughout all engagements. Although their aircraft have been frequently severely damaged by heavy enemy opposition, these men have consistently fought through to their targets, aiding materially in the utter destruction of vitally important enemy installations. Bringing their ships through severe and adverse weather conditions, over rugged terrain and surmounting many other major obstacles, these men have gallantly engaged, fought and defeated the enemy with complete disregard for their personal safety and against overwhelming odds. Their conspicuous and extraordinary achievements throughout these many missions against the enemy have been of inestimable value to successful combat operations and have reflected great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

MART L. COPE, O-702242, Captain, 720th Bomb Sq, 450th Bomb Gp, Clayton, New Mexico. Pilot, Italy, 29 August 1944.

WILLIAM A. MILLER, O-422551, Captain, 725th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp, Huntington, New York. Pilot, Austria, 20 January 1945.

LEWIS M. PERKINS, O-696878, Captain, 776th Bomb Sq, 464th Bomb Gp, Utica, Kentucky. Pilot, Austria, 22 November 1944.

FRED W. VERGIE, O-701979, Captain, 343rd Bomb Sq, 98th Bomb Gp, West Chicago, Illinois. Pilot, Italy, 29 December 1944.

JULIAN J. BOYCE, O-812537, First Lieutenant, 514th Bomb Sq, 376th Bomb Gp, Maryinsville, Virginia. Pilot, Germany, 19 December 1944.

HARRY A. BRYINGTON, O-768999, First Lieutenant, 761st Bomb Sq,460th Bomb Gp, Wilcox, Pennsylvania. Bombardier, Greece, 24 September 1944.

Bomb Gp, Morganton, North Carolina. Pilot, Germany, 14 October 194

JAMES R. GRADY, O-705381, First Lieutenant, 513th Bomb Sq, 376th Bomb Gp, Springfield, Illinois. Pilot, Austria, 17 October 1944.

WILLIAM R. MAUGHEY, O-776546, First Lieutenant, 727th Bomb Sq,451st Bomb Gp, Los Angeles, California. Bombardier, Italy, 27 December 1944.

JAMES F. HILLEY, O-706865, First Lieutenant, 345th Bomb Sq, 98th Bomb Gp, Whitesburg, Georgia. Radar Navigator, Austria, 2 December 1944.

GEORGE F. MARTUS, O-771470, First Lieutenant, 720th Bomb Sq, 450th Bomb Gp, Boston, Massachusetts. Pilot, Germany, 31 January 1945.

ARNOLD POTTER, O-819603, First Lieutenant, 415th Bomb Sq, 98th Bomb Gp, Portland, Maine. Pilot, Austria, 15 December 1944.

DONALD R. SCHAFFNER, O-825298, First Lieutenant, 727th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp, Hanover, Wisconsin. Pilot, Germany, 5 February 1944

RALPH J. STUMPF, O-538857, First Lieutenant, 727th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Pilot, Austria, 8 February 1945

HARRY T. WAITE, O-717590, First Lieutenant, 727th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp, Tenney, Minnesota. Navigator, Austria, 15 January 1945.

CHARLES A. PUGLIA, 36660364, Technical Sergeant, 727th Bomb Sq, 451st Bomb Gp, Franklin Park, Illinois. Engineer, Austria, 20 January 1945.

JAMES J. MC CARTHY, 12077308, Staff Sergeant, 762nd Bomb Sq,460th Bomb Gp, South Boston, Massachusetts. Radio Operator, Germany, 16 December 1944.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

WILLIAM E. KEEFER, O-435794, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 455th Bomb Gp, Torrance, California. Pilot, Yugoslavia, 13 February 1945.

JOHN B. ALGEO, O-664938, Captain, 415th Bomb Sq, 98th Bomb Gp, Detroit, Michigan. Pilot, Austria, 8 January 1945.

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Section

Award of Air Medal, Posthumously. I
Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, Missing in Action. II
Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. III

SECTION I -- AWARD OF AIR MEDAL, POSTHUMOUSLY.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters, MATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following named personnel, posthumously, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight on the date as indicated:

DAVID C. MOBLITZ, 37255047, Sergeant, Air Corps, 742nd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group. 26 August 1944. Rumania. Entered service from Erie, Kansas.

SECTION II -- AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters, MATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, missing in action, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight on the date as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

JOHN T. EDWARDS, O-822657, Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, 742nd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group. 23 August 1944. Italy. Entered service from Gleason, Tennessee.

RALPH C. OWENS, O-820044, Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, 742nd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group. 27 July 1944. Hungary. Entered service from Sidney, New York.

JOSEPH S. THOMAS, O-707333, Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, 742nd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group. 5 May 1944. Rumania. Entered service from Greensboro, North Carolina.

WILLIAM M. SLATER, 34027857, Sergeant, Air Corps, 742nd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group. 11 June 1944. Rumania. Entered service from Anniston, Alabama.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

ARTHUR R. MORAN, O-2064628, Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, 353rd Bombardment Squadron, 301st Bombardment Group. 25 November 1944. Austria. Entered service from Ellsworth, Wisconsin.

SECTION III -- AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters, MATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight on the date as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

DONALD E. MALLERNEE, 15132107, Sergeant, Air Corps, 353rd Bombardment Squadron, 301st Bombardment Group. 20 January 1945. Germany. Entered service from Unrechsville, Ohio.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

HARRY S. BARRETT, 33252009, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, 352nd Bombardment Squadron, 301st Bombardment Group. 7 February 1945. Austria. Entered service from Altoona, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM J. LANDER, 12189145, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 352nd Bombardment Squadron, 301st Bombardment Group. 20 January 1945. Germany. Entered service from: New York, New York.

BERNARD H. MC NICHOL, 32181852, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, 352nd Bombardment Squadron, 301st Bombardment Group. 20 January 1945. Germany. Entered service from: Orange, New Jersey.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

TED R. KEISER, O-754354, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, 353rd Bombardment Squadron, 301st Bombardment Group. 18 December 1944. Yugoslavia. Entered service from Ludington, Michigan.

DULRD C. SCOTT, 37536676, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, 352nd Bombardment Squadron, 301st Bombardment Group. 4 January 1945. Italy. Entered service from: Kansas City, Missouri.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

ROBERT L. GRIFFITH, O-822698, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, 353rd Bombardment Squadron, 301st Bombardment Group. 18 December 1944 Yugoslavia. Entered service from Madison, Wisconsin.

JOSEPH R. MARTIN, O-698212, Captain, Air Corps, 740th Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group. 4 November 1944. Austria. Entered service from Somerville, Massachusetts.

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WILLIS E. DAVIDSON, O-761289, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, 414th Bombardment Squadron, 97th Bombardment Group. 19 January 1945. Yugoslavia. Entered Service from Staten Island, New York.

ALBERT O. HALL, 35760198, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, 414th Bombardment Squadron, 97th Bombardment Group. 10 October 1944. Italy. Entered service from Booth, West Virginia.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

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Section

Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal I

Members of 742nd Bombardment Squadron, 455th Bombardment Group

SECTION I--AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 85, WDAGO, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

ARNOLD L. GRAHAM, 0796377, Captain, Goshen, Virginia. 1 to 19 February 1945.

SEYMOUR G. ROSENBLATT, 0725037, Captain, Houston, Texas. 20 January to 19 February 1945.

FRANK G. FUCHS, 0830837, Second Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois. 5 to 17 February 1945.

JOHN E. KENNELLY, 0832154, Second Lieutenant, Brooklyn, New York. 31 January to 17 February 1945.

RAYMOND A. HOGAN, T192985, Flight Officer, Barrington, Illinois. 29 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

JERRY C. HILL, 02060991, Second Lieutenant, Glendale, California. 22 November 1944 to 18 February 1945.

EDGAR S. LEDLEY, 0926925, Second Lieutenant, New York, New York. 9 December 1944 to 20 February 1945.

SIDNEY L. RAINS, 15108157, Technical Sergeant, Hutsonville, Illinois. 15 December 1944 to 20 February 1945.

ITLY E. [illegible], 34650853, Technical Sergeant, Hemingway, South Carolina. 15 December 1944 to 20 February 1945.

LEON A. PHILLIPS, 36601331, Staff Sergeant, Harrisburg, Arkansas. 15 December 1944 to 20 February 1945.

GEORGE J. KRUGER, 42060381, Sergeant, Long Island, New York. 15 December 1944 to 20 February 1945.

HERBERT C. WOHLFARD, 37499443, Private, Kansas City, Missouri. 15 July 1944 to 19 February 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

HAMILTON LE SAUSSURE, 0824247, First Lieutenant, Washington, District of Columbia. 20 December 1944 to 20 February 1945.

DONALD K. FUTHERINGH M, 0775850, First Lieutenant, Denver, Utah. 21 October 1944 to 19 February 1945.

JOHNSTON M. HART, 0664587, First Lieutenant, Hinsdale, Illinois. 19 November 1944 to 17 February 1945.

JOHN T. HILLEGAS, 0776504, Second Lieutenant, Bellingford, Vermont. 16 November 1944 to 17 February 1945.

ANGELO W. DE FILIPPO, 02001260, Second Lieutenant, Everett, Massachusetts. 20 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

GEORGE A. MULSE, JR., 02001262, Second Lieutenant, New London, Connecticut. 17 December 1944 to 18 February 1945.

JOHN F. REILLY, 31097343, Technical Sergeant, Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts. 20 November 1944 to 17 February 1945.

JAMES H. O'CONNOR, 16069137, Technical Sergeant, Kansas City, Kansas. 16 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

JACK S. BELL, 38435757, Staff Sergeant, Fort Worth, Texas. 20 November 1944 to 17 February 1945.

THOMAS J. FOX, 12074389, Staff Sergeant, Albany, New York, 28 December 1944 to 20 February 1945.

LEWIS D. KRUSE, JR., 35172753, Staff Sergeant, Akron, Ohio. 20 November 1944 to 17 February 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

MARION L. WILSON, 35098287, Staff Sergeant, Saint Gary, Indiana. 19 November 1944 to 19 February 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

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Section

Awards of the Bronze Star Medal I
Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal II

SECTION I--AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, N.A.T.O.U.S.A., 10 July 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named personnel, for meritorious achievement in connection with Military Operations against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

LEON COHEN, 17031321, Master Sergeant, 414th Bomb Sq., 97th Bomb Gp. March 1942 to December 1944. Italy. Entered Service from Neligh, Nebraska.

JOHN L. CERUTTI, 36010107, Master Sergeant, Att to Hq 301st Bomb Gp. from 12th Weather Sq. 20 February 1943 to 17 February 1945. North Africa and Italy. Entered Service from Chicago, Illinois.

JOHN J. CORRIGAN, 35302034, Master Sergeant, Headquarters 455th Bomb Gp. 12 February 1944 to 15 February 1945. Italy. Entered Service from Cleveland, Ohio.

ROY E. CREES, 33090439, Master Sergeant, 341st Bomb Sq., 97th Bombardment Group. 20 August 1943 to 10 February 1945. North Africa and Italy. Entered Service from Baltimore, Maryland.

EARLE G. FELSINGER, JR., 39387282, Master Sergeant, 716th Bomb Sq., 449th Bomb Gp. January 1944 to January 1945. Italy. Entered Service from Salem, Oregon.

HARLEY L. LESTER, 19054432, Technical Sergeant, 414th Bomb Sq., 97th Bomb Gp. July 1942 to February 1945. Italy. Entered Service from Alexander, North Dakota.

STANLEY C. ZALESKI, JR., 35283484, Staff Sergeant, 419th Bomb Sq., 301st Bomb Gp. 6 August 1942 to 13 February 1945. England, North Africa and Italy. Entered Service from Toledo, Ohio.

ROBERT KELLY, 17001836, Sergeant, 419th Bomb Sq., 301st Bomb Gp. 6 August 1942 to 13 February 1945. England, North Africa, and Italy. Entered Service from, Duluth, Minnesota.

SECTION II--AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, N.A.T.O.U.S.A., 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

CHARLES T. WELSH, 33734210, Corporal, Spring Grove, Pennsylvania. 31 January 1945 to 14 February 1945.

JOHN H. HEITSENRETHER, 33248357, Corporal, Clearfield, Pennsylvania. 31 January to 14 February 1945.

WILLIAM MILKE, 37529202, Corporal, Emporia, Kansas. 31 January to 14 February 1945.

RONALD T. SCOLL, 20315193, Corporal, Alden, Pennsylvania. 31 January to 14 February 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

WARREN R. MCKINE, 32765646, Technical Sergeant, Jersey City, New Jersey. 28 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

HARRY H. HOLLINGER, 20330205, Staff Sergeant, Reading, Pennsylvania. 16 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

THOMAS J. MANNINE, 35627919, Private, Columbus, Ohio. 22 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

ALFRED J. FLOWERS, 35496774, Staff Sergeant, Columbia, Kentucky. 7 November 1944 to 13 February 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

CHARLES G. GRIGGS, 33646129, Staff Sergeant, Dundalk, Maryland. 20 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

OWEN D. MILLER, 15077340, Staff Sergeant, Delaware, Ohio. 19 December 1944 to 9 February 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

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Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. . . Section I

Members of 741st Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp

SECTION I - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy between the dates as indicated:

AIR MEDAL

JOTHAM D. PIERCE, O-791628, Captain, Portland, Maine, 16 December 1944 to 7 February 1945.

CARROLL W. COOPER, O-409723, First Lieutenant, Coleman, Texas. 8 January to 5 February 1945.

JOEL O. BARNHILL, O-1174765, Second Lieutenant, Hartford, Connecticut. 6 to 20 December 1944.

JACK E. BONYNGE, O-2065130, Second Lieutenant, Rock Rapids, Iowa. 29 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

LEONARD J. BRUNSON, O-828941, Second Lieutenant, Nashville, Tennessee. 27 December 1944 to 15 January 1945.

THEODORE R. DEMME, O-828306, Second Lieutenant, Baraboo, Wisconsin. 26 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

WARREN F. ECKLUND, O-828988, Second Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois. 26 December 1944 to 31 January 1945.

ROBERT P. GOODMAN, O-777462, Second Lieutenant, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. 16 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

EDWARD M. HERBERT, O-714086, Second Lieutenant, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 20 January to 17 February 1945.

CHESTER KAUFER, O-828447, Second Lieutenant, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. 27 December 1944 to 19 January 1945.

EARL B. KENT, O-2066186, Second Lieutenant, Klamath Falls, Oregon. 28 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

JOHN K. MCBAIN, O-2066003, Second Lieutenant, Kearny, New Jersey. 28 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

JOHN J. MCDRURY, JR., O-833164, Second Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois. 8 January to 17 February 1945.

DONALD G. OLESON, O-828747, Second Lieutenant, Beaver, Pennsylvania
4 January to 13 February 1945.

JAMES W. PROVAN, O-2065824, Second Lieutenant, Newark, New Jersey,
16 December 1944 to 8 February 1945.

NICHOLAS M. VUKOTICH, O-2066083, Second Lieutenant, Wilkes-Barre,
Pennsylvania. 19 January to 13 February 1945.

RUSSELL L. BROBST, T-6835, Flight Officer, Frackville, Pennsylvania.
15 January to 15 February 1945.

JOHN W. ECKSTEIN, JR., T-132253, Flight Officer, Hubbard, Iowa.
15 January to 15 February 1945.

ROBERT FELDMAN, T-132258, Flight Officer, Newark, New Jersey.
20 January to 16 February 1945.

FORREST S. FYLE, T-129610, Flight Officer, Jamestown, Pennsylvania.
29 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

THOMAS G. SMITH, T-63426, Flight Officer, Syracuse, New York.
19 January to 17 February 1945.

RALPH G. ARMSTRONG, 31099008, Sergeant, Caribou, Maine.
8 January 1944 to 17 February 1945.

ANDREW P. BRENNAN, JR., 16137850, Sergeant, Cicero, Illinois.
28 December 1944 to 7 February 1945.

LOUIS CALLEGARO, 31293068, Sergeant, Woonsocket, Rhode Island.
8 January to 14 February 1945.

WILLIAM C. DANSBY, 14176605, Sergeant, Butler, Alabama.
8 January to 17 February 1945.

WILLIAM J. DICKINSON, 33611371, Sergeant, Hazelton, Pennsylvania.
16 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

FRANCIS X. DONAHUE, 32952326, Sergeant, Port Carbon, Pennsylvania.
16 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

JIMMIE J. DUNCAN, 35813470, Sergeant, Elizabeth, Indiana.
16 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

ROY T. GOLDEN, 35803242, Sergeant, Richmond, Kentucky.
29 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

GERARD V. HETZEL, 13179456, Sergeant, South Orange, New Jersey.
29 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

CHARLES M. KNUFF, 12120915, Sergeant, Bayside, Long Island, New York.
15 January to 13 February 1945.

JOHN J. MADDEN, 33682489, Sergeant, Titusville, Pennsylvania.
6 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

JOHN PLLESHYK, 15126918, Sergeant, Sharon, Pennsylvania.
15 January to 13 February 1945.

DAVID T. RAMSAY, 11069384, Sergeant, Quincy, Massachusetts.
8 January to 14 February 1945.

JOSEPH R. RIZZI, 36234106, Sergeant, Rib Lake, Wisconsin.
19 January to 13 February 1945.

HOYT V. SARGENT, 34809424, Sergeant, Birmingham, Alabama.
19 January to 13 February 1945.

EVERETT E. TURNER, 19060236, Sergeant, St. Maries, Idaho.
15 January to 15 February 1945.

EDWARD D. YANKOVICH, 33670775, Sergeant, New Salem, Pennsylvania.
16 December 1944 to 1 February 1945.

LAWRENCE J. ANCELL, 37540780, Corporal, Kansas City, Kansas.
19 January to 13 February 1945.

ARTHUR S. BAKER, 32850584, Corporal, Elizabethtown, New York.
28 December 1944 to 18 January 1945.

DAVID BAKER, 38438471, Corporal, Midland, Texas.
28 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

ZANE G. BOYCE, 37562939, Corporal, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
28 December 1944 to 7 February 1945.

WARREN D. BUCHANAN, 33767385, Corporal, Lewistown, Pennsylvania.
16 December 1944 to 5 February 1945.

THAD W. CORKINS, 38541544, Corporal, Port Arthur, Texas.
29 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

JOHN J. COSBY, 42011190, Corporal, New Monmouth, New Jersey.
8 January to 17 February 1945.

JOHN A. ELDRIDGE, 34727724, Corporal, Monteagle, Tennessee.
27 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

JESSE C. EVANS, JR., 38514643, Corporal, Mertzon, Texas.
28 December 1944 to 7 February 1945.

HENRY P. GIACONELLI, 31403658, Corporal, Buffalo, New York.
8 January to 14 February 1945.

JOHN H. GRETZINGER, 36880976, Corporal, Saginaw, Michigan.
28 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

JOSEPH J. HETMANEK, JR., 37471874, Corporal, Omaha, Nebraska.
28 December 1944 to 7 February 1945.

BRUCE G. JOHNSON, 33764434, Corporal, Mill Hall, Pennsylvania.
28 December 1944 to 7 February 1945.

SUNDAY B. LANGLEY, 34313192, Corporal, Pinetops, North Carolina.
29 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

NICK J. MENDIOLA, 35919821, Corporal, Ravenna, Ohio.
15 January to 15 February 1945.

OWEN J. MITCHELL, 38532664, Corporal, Fort Worth, Texas.
19 January to 13 February 1945.

ROBERT J. MORSE, 42092729, Corporal, Holcomb, New York.
15 January to 15 February 1945.

WILLIAM A. PECKSON, 31452683, Corporal, Taunton, Massachusetts.
8 January to 17 February 1945.

JAMES A. PYATT, 38487823, Corporal, Lake Charles, Louisiana.
15 January to 15 February 1945.

HAROLD J. REEL, 34658142, Corporal, Glendale, South Carolina.
8 January to 17 February 1945.

WILLIAM R. WAYMAN, 35145349, Corporal, Columbus, Indiana.
8 January to 14 February 1945.

GEORGE H. WEBER, 42008383, Corporal, Hoboken, New Jersey.
8 January to 17 February 1945.

WILBER E. YORK, 35903235, Corporal, Indianapolis, Indiana.
8 January to 13 February 1945.

DONALD R. ZEISMER, 15127656, Corporal, Bedford, Ohio.
19 January to 13 February 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

JOHN E. BACH, O-2056316, First Lieutenant, Campbell Hall, New York.
20 November 1944 to 16 February 1945.

EDWARD C. SODERSTROM, O-715824, First Lieutenant, Sparta, Michigan.
17 November 1944 to 7 February 1945.

HARRY O. BLOUNT, JR., O-2060921, Second Lieutenant, Pacagoula, Mississippi. 20 November 1944 to 8 February 1945.

GEORGE R. GOETZ, O-2001476, Second Lieutenant, Beaumont, Texas.
17 November 1944 to 17 February 1945.

GEORGE S. MCGOVERN, O-721153, Second Lieutenant, Mitchell, South Dakota. 6 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

PHILIP W. ROOT, JR., O-829078, Second Lieutenant, Silver Springs, Missouri. 17 November 1944 to 16 February 1945.

MAURICE R. SMITH, JR., O-776093, Second Lieutenant, Kansas City, Missouri. 6 November 1944 to 17 February 1945.

JOSEPH P. CLARK, 35357687, Technical Sergeant, Hammond, Indiana.
20 November 1944 to 17 February 1945.

FRANK A. DEMARCO, 32864125, Technical Sergeant, New Rochelle, New York. 19 November 1944 to 17 February 1945.

RICHARD E. HAAS, 16155216, Technical Sergeant, Racine, Wisconsin.
6 December 1944 to 7 February 1945.

LOUIS F. KENT, 32516511, Technical Sergeant, Long Island City, New York. 19 November 1944 to 15 February 1945.

ANGELO MARCOTRIGIANO, 32720624, Technical Sergeant, Bronx, New York. 19 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

LAWRENCE W. BRISTOW, 36887990, Staff Sergeant, Brooklyn, Michigan. 17 November 1944 to 17 February 1945.

JOHN B. COYLE, 36164146, Staff Sergeant, Detroit, Michigan. 20 November 1944 to 17 February 1945.

JOSEPH T. ENGLISH, 14188617, Staff Sergeant, Atmore, Alabama. 18 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

FRED C. FRANCIS, 36691624, Staff Sergeant, Wilmington, Illinois. 19 November 1944 to 17 February 1945.

GEORGE C. HOFER, 36768965, Staff Sergeant, Chicago, Illinois. 19 November 1944 to 15 February 1945.

ARTHUR F. HOLLOWAY, 13102636, Staff Sergeant, Salisbury, Maryland. 19 November 1944 to 16 February 1945.

GLEN L. KIRBY, 38463946, Staff Sergeant, Ponca City, Oklahoma. 18 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

LOUIS S. LYONS, 39551886, Staff Sergeant, Los Angeles, California. 6 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

HAROLD J. MARCH, 39331099, Staff Sergeant, Chicago, Illinois. 6 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

JAMES D. MICHEAL, 35777923, Staff Sergeant, Coeburn, Virginia. 18 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

JOHN B. MILLS, 39551563, Staff Sergeant, Los Angeles, California. 16 December 1944 to 13 February 1945.

ROY N. MINOR, 39420977, Staff Sergeant, Merced, California. 17 November 1944 to 17 February 1945.

HAROLD H. POWELL, 6857915, Staff Sergeant, Greenleaf, Kansas. 22 November 1944 to 7 February 1945.

KENNETH L. SUMWALT, 36832217, Staff Sergeant, Richland Center, Wisconsin. 18 December 1944 to 14 February 1945.

JOHN D. TESSIER, 11086215, Staff Sergeant, Burlington, Vermont. 19 November 1944 to 17 February 1945.

CARL A. WITZBERGER, 33670909, Staff Sergeant, Carnegie, Pennsylvania. 17 November 1944 to 17 February 1945.

ARTHUR W. ZEGER, 35768787, Staff Sergeant, Charleston, West Virginia, 22 November 1944 to 7 February 1945.

VIRGIL HANKINS, 16052298, Sergeant, Sparland, Illinois. 16 November 1944 to 14 February 1945.

18 November 1944 to 16 February 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

FRANCIS J. GIRARD, O-2058465, First Lieutenant, Alton, Illinois. 9 December 1944 to 9 February 1945.

LELAND P. COLE, 12035761, Staff Sergeant, Scotia, New York. 4 January to 17 February 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

FINIS H. JOSEY, O-827660, First Lieutenant, Starkville, Mississippi. 17 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

EUGENE R. KERR, O-722495, First Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois. 17 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

EARL J. VINCE, O-703017, First Lieutenant, New Orleans, Louisiana. 15 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

ANGELO J. BISINELLA, 36656856, Technical Sergeant, Chicago, Illinois. 15 January to 17 February 1945.

RAYMOND E. BREAULT, 31148989, Technical Sergeant, Cranston, Rhode Island. 19 January to 17 February 1945.

ANGUS L. LEWIS, 38093094, Technical Sergeant, Beaumont, Texas. 1 November 1944 to 15 February 1945.

CHARLES A. MALLORY, 6975450, Technical Sergeant, Jamaica, New York. 15 January to 17 February 1945.

MILTON B. MONTGOMERY, 38626830, Staff Sergeant, Rising Star, Texas. 15 January to 17 February 1945.

JOSEPH R. KIERNAN, 33806571, Staff Sergeant, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 15 January to 17 February 1945.

STANLEY SKURZENSKI, 33680557, Staff Sergeant, Erie, Pennsylvania. 4 January to 17 February 1945.

MICHAEL J. STABLOW, 1319-016, Staff Sergeant, Frackville, Pennsylvania. 15 January to 17 February 1945.

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Awards of the Silver Star. I
Award of the Purple Heart. II

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Silver Star is awarded the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, residence and citation as indicated:

HENRY C. KELLY, O-684873, Captain, 742nd Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp. For gallantry in action as pilot of a B-24 type aircraft. On 26 December 1944, Capt Kelly participated in a bombing mission against a vitally important enemy oil refinery in Poland. Approaching the target his formation encountered intense and accurate enemy anti-aircraft fire, which severely damaged his aircraft, rendering one engine inoperative and destroying vital controls, and seriously wounded the navigator. Despite the almost unairworthy condition of his plane, displaying outstanding courage and determination, Capt Kelly skilfully maneuvered his aircraft through the enemy defenses for a highly successful bombing run, inflicting grave damage to vital enemy installations and supplies. Turning from the objective, Capt Kelly immediately left the formation and set course for an emergency field. With outstanding skill, he maintained control of his aircraft, until two additional engines were rendered inoperative due to lack of fuel, and he was forced to give the order to abandon the plane. Holding the stricken plane in level flight to facilitate the bailing out of his crew, he courageously remained at his position until assured that all members had safely cleared the plane, and only then did he parachute to safety. By his conspicuous courage, professional skill and devotion to duty, as evidenced throughout thirty-two (32) successful missions against the enemy, Capt Kelly has upheld the highest traditions of the Military Service, thereby reflecting great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Residence at appointment: Lansing, Michigan.

ALBERT C. KIEGEL, O-705480, First Lieutenant, 745th Bomb Sq, 456th Bomb Gp. For gallantry in action as pilot of a B-24 type aircraft. On 6 November 1944, Lt Kiegel participated in a bombing mission against a vital strategic enemy installation in Austria. Reaching the objective despite severe and adverse weather conditions encountered enroute, his formation was subjected to intense, heavy and accurate enemy anti-aircraft fire. As a result of the heavy enemy fire, his aircraft sustained severe damage and Lt Kiegel was seriously wounded in the right arm. Despite intense pain, shock and loss of blood, Lt Kiegel courageously remained at his position, and, retaining his crippled aircraft within the formation, completed a highly successful bombing run, inflicting grave damage to vital enemy installations and supplies. Although suffering from his serious wounds, Lt Kiegel gallantly remained at the controls of his crippled aircraft, until his formation was safely

cal attention, he continued to materially assist the co-pilot through the completion of a successful landing at base without further damage to the aircraft or injury to the crew. By his conspicuous gallantry, fortitude and devotion to duty, as evidenced throughout his combat career, Lt Kiegel has reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Residence at appointment: Rockford, Illinois.

ARTHUR E. DUNN, O-820729, Second Lieutenant, 840th Bomb Sq, 483rd Bomb Gp. For gallantry in action as pilot of a B-17 type aircraft. On 18 December 1944, Lt Dunn participated in a bombing mission against a vital enemy oil refinery in Germany. Enroute to the target his formation was attacked by highly aggressive enemy fighters, and, in the ensuing engagement, his aircraft was severely damaged, vital controls and instruments were destroyed and two members of his crew were seriously wounded. Despite the almost unairworthy condition of his plane, realizing the vital importance of the mission, Lt Dunn skilfully maintained control of his crippled aircraft and maneuvered it through intense and accurate enemy anti-aircraft fire for a highly successful bombing run. Through his courage and determination, the bombs from his aircraft were concentrated on this vital enemy refinery, inflicting grave damage to enemy installations and supplies. Turning from the target, although forced to drop from the protective formation, Lt Dunn determinedly set course for base. Despite severe and adverse weather conditions encountered enroute, displaying outstanding professional skill, Lt Dunn brought his stricken aircraft through to friendly territory, where he accomplished a highly successful crash landing, without further injury to the crew. By his conspicuous courage, determination and devotion to duty, as evidenced throughout his combat career, Lt Dunn has uphold the highest traditions of the Military Service, thereby reflecting great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Residence at appointment: Logansport, Indiana.

TIMOTHY A. WILKERSON, 34547355, Technical Sergeant, 720th Bomb Sq, 450th Bomb Gp. For gallantry in action as engineer of a B-24 type aircraft. On 10 August 1944, Sgt Wilkerson participated in a bombing mission against a vital enemy oil refinery in Rumania. Over the target for a highly successful bombing run, his aircraft was severely damaged by intense and accurate enemy anti-aircraft fire and Sgt Wilkerson was seriously wounded in the jaw by a fragment of enemy flak. Despite intense pain, shock and loss of blood, Sgt Wilkerson, with complete disregard for his personal safety, made his way into the open bomb bay and determinedly accomplished emergency repairs to severed fuel and hydraulic lines. Not until assured that all possible repairs had been made to insure the safe return of his aircraft to base, did Sgt Wilkerson consent to first aid treatment. By his conspicuous courage, professional skill and devotion to duty, as evidenced throughout twenty-five (25) successful missions against the enemy, Sgt Wilkerson has reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Residence at enlistment: Lakeland, Florida.

SECTION II - <u>AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART</u>

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Purple Heart is awarded the following named

officor, Air Corps, Army of the United States, residonce as indicated:

GEORGE GAINES, JR., O-672789, Second Lieutenant, 781st Bomb Sq, 465th Bomb Gp. For wounds received in action against an armed enemy in Germany on 13 October 1944.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,
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Section
Awards of Air Medal and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Air Medal. . . I

Members of 740th Bomb Sq, 455th Bomb Gp

SECTION I - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE AIR MEDAL

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AIR MEDAL

MERVIN A. EPPLER, O-826590, Second Lieutenant, Lemoyne, Pennsylvania.
19 January to 19 February 1945.

DONALD A. BERQUIST, 39830702, Staff Sergeant, Boise, Idaho.
19 January to 17 February 1945.

WILLIAM P. GOLDARISI, 19201351, Staff Sergeant, Clatskanie, Oregon.
27 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

HARLAND C. GUY, 33607847, Staff Sergeant, Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania,
5 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

GEORGE L. SPENCER, JR., 38279518, Staff Sergeant, Teague, Texas.
31 January to 17 February 1945.

HENRY C. BARBER, JR., 14190923, Sergeant, Dickson, Tennessee.
1 to 17 February 1945.

LOUIS J. BARBIERI, 12134824, Sergeant, Paterson, New Jersey.
19 January to 17 February 1945.

WILLIAM O. CAREY, 13173779, Sergeant, Moorestown, New Jersey.
1 to 17 February 1945.

RILEY B. HELMS, 19172106, Sergeant, Wisner, Nebraska.
19 January to 17 February 1945.

GLORGE A. RUPPRECHT, 34738376, Sergeant, Memphis, Tennessee.
1 to 17 February 1945.

ALBERT D. SACHS, 19206758, Sergeant, Santa Monica, California.
5 to 17 February 1945.

ARTHUR F. SCHULTZ, 12219837, Sergeant, Bronx, New York.
1 to 17 February 1945.

ROHLAND F. BESSLLL, 42091600, Corporal, Buffalo, New York.
31 January to 19 February 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

RICHARD O. STEVENS, 35212082, Technical Sergeant, Portsmouth, Ohio. 16 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

WALTER C. DONALDSON, 33766683, Staff Sergeant, Brookville, Pennsylvania. 16 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

DEAN L. GOLL, 37678674, Staff Sergeant, Garner, Iowa. 16 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

SANFORD L. JONES, 35881717, Sergeant, Bulan, Kentucky. 16 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

RICHARD WOJCIK, 33708344, Sergeant, Natrona, Pennsylvania. 16 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

VARTAN HAROUTUNIAN, O-2065549, First Lieutenant, Everett, Massachusetts. 29 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

WILLIS D. MC GEARY, O-390694, First Lieutenant, Winona, Mississippi. 15 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

RICHARD J. VON SCHRILTZ, O-705892, First Lieutenant, Dodge City, Kansas. 17 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

JAMES M. COMUNIELLO, 32878457, Staff Sergeant, Brooklyn, New York. 16 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

ROBERT T. MILLER, O-1540460, First Lieutenant, Dubuque, Iowa. 29 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

MARTIN D. O'MALLEY, O-768837, First Lieutenant, Susquehanna, Pennsylvania. 27 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

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AIR MEDAL

HERBERT E. HARRIS, JR., T-129417, Flight Officer, Providence, Rhode Island. 1 to 20 February 1945.

HAROLD E. FINNIL, 15078318, Sergeant, Youngstown, Ohio.
4 January to 17 February 1945.

JAMES M. WALKER, 35773138, Corporal, Grahn, Kentucky.
7 to 20 February 1945.

JEROME BASH, 12177893, Private First Class, New York City, New York.
7 to 20 February 1945.

FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

CHARLES M. BRAZELTON, JR., O-2058404, First Lieutenant, Waco, Texas.
16 October 1944 to 20 February 1945.

LEON L. BRESSLER, O-2056688, Second Lieutenant, Paterson, New Jersey.
18 November 1944 to 20 February 1945.

EDWARD H. DRABIK, O-716808, Second Lieutenant, Muskegon, Michigan.
4 January to 21 February 1945.

JOHN F. GALBRAITH, O-711384, Second Lieutenant, Elmira Heights, New York. 25 December 1944 to 19 February 1945.

KILLIAN F. LUTZ, 35622847, Staff Sergeant, Columbus, Ohio.
9 December 1944 to 18 February 1945.

GEORGE MARTINCHEK, 31440144, Staff Sergeant, Plainville, Connecticut.
19 November 1944 to 20 February 1945.

JOSEPH WEISSBLUM, 36827555, Staff Sergeant, Troy, New York.
18 December 1944 to 18 February 1945.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

WILLIAM S. LUDDEN, O-776741, First Lieutenant, Inglewood, California.
20 December 1944 to 18 February 1945.

MICHAEL ROLAK, O-723171, First Lieutenant, Chicago, Illinois.
8 January to 18 February 1945.

STEPHEN TRUHAN, O-820609, First Lieutenant, Detroit, Michigan.
6 December 1944 to 18 February 1945.

ANDREW N. MONDO, O-20611027, Second Lieutenant, Utica, New York.
8 January to 18 February 1945.

THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

PAUL CARR, O-711130, First Lieutenant, St. Albans, New York.
8 to 20 February 1945.

JOE L. PARKIN, O-2058537, First Lieutenant, Garden Grove, Iowa.
5 to 19 February 1945.

FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

WILLIAM B. GEMMILL, JR., O-776894, First Lieutenant, Bethesda, Maryland. 17 December 1944 to 20 February 1945.

TWELFTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER(BRONZE)

MAX C. LEWIS, 11029647, Staff Sergeant, Bridgewater, Maine.
28 December 1944 to 20 February 1945.

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