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**for the month of +**  
**DECEMBER . . . . 1944.**

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**OF THE**

**379th Bombardment Squadron (M)**  
**310th Bombardment Group (M) AAF.**

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Squadron History  
for the month of  
DECEMBER, 1944.

of the  
379th Bombardment Sqdn. (M)  
310th Bombardment Group (W) AAF.

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SECTION I

BRIEF OUTLINE OF  
THE MONTH'S ACTIVITIES...

DECEMBER, 1944.

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Section I..... Outline of Month's Activities.  
DECEMBER, 1944.

In spite of adverse weather conditions, we participated in 20 combat missions against enemy communications in Italy.

The Holiday Season of Christmas and New Years was celebrated in the accustomed manner...a flood of gift packages from our families and friends at home came in.

Recreation was found in the form of movies in our outdoor "theater"...contests of pinochle, ping-pong and cribbage....rest-camp trips to Corte, Cairo, Capri and Rome.

Under the new Educational program, Orientation lectures were given every Wednesday evening, with guest speakers leading a discussion on topics of current interest.

The progress of the War in Western Europe was of primary interest to us all, especially in the face of the enemy's fierce counterattacks. But our Faith in an Allied Victory has never been shaken. Realizing that the Campaign is not yet over, we are sticking to our assigned tasks and looking forward to The Day when more than two years in a combat zone will bear fruit.

Combat men returned to the States after completing their tour of duty...new crews came in to add their efforts to the glorious record established by the 379th Bomb Sqdn...

So ended another month and another year of combat activity...1945 begins. This is the year of Victory we have been waiting for patiently!

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SECTION II...

SQUADRON DIARY

DAY BY DAY.

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Section II.Squadron Diary, Day by Day: DECEMBER.

- 1st None of our planes participated in the day's mission. Usual Squadron activities.
- 2nd Twelve of our aircraft participated on the mission to bomb the Ala Railroad Bridge, Italy. Flak was scant to moderate, heavy, inaccurate. Fire bombs and frags were also used to knock out enemy gun positions. Bets ran high on the outcome of the Army-Navy game. Movie: A good Wallace Beery flicker about a gold-mining town in the 1880's. Today marks two years of combat operations for the Group, and we are still going strong!
- 3rd Today's mission was abortive due to weather conditions over the Faenza front. We had fried chicken and ice cream for dinner.
- 4th T/Sgt. Terrence C. Bogue and T/Sgt. Eli Jaffe were assigned to the 7th Replacement Depot for transshipment to the U.S. The following Officers and Enlisted Men were also relieved from assignment to the Squadron and were assigned to the 7th Replacement Depot for transshipment to the U.S.:  
1st Lt. Charles B. Robinson, S/Sgt. Marvin F. Creamer, S/Sgt. Vitold D. Gabys, S/Sgt. Fred D. Andrews, S/Sgt. Dennis O. Karraker, S/Sgt. Thomas M. Smith.  
Twelve planes hit the enemy defense area at Faenza, Italy.
- 5th A formation was held to present combat medals.  
No mission.
- 6th No mission. Xmas packages are starting to arrive.
- 7th T/5 Philip R. Jackson was promoted to the grade of Cpl. More Xmas packages are arriving. Immunization shots were given at the Squadron Dispensary.
- 8th No mission. One plane was sent out on weather recce. A gun inspection was held with guns found to be generally in good condition. A big wind whipped through the camp during the night.  
1st Lt. Charles T. Gilbo, 1st Lt. Richard C. King, 1st Lt. Joseph F. Longo, were assigned to the 7th Replacement Depot for transshipment to the U.S.  
Sgt. Luther J. Burgess and Pfc Jean P. Patterson left on a 10-day furlough in the Mediterranean Area.
- 9th No mission. P.X. rations were sold. The 381st beat our basketball team, 26 to 20. Movie: A cowboy picture, "Tall In the Saddle."
- 10th Chicken for dinner. The foundation was started for our new Enlisted Men's mess-hall. Mission to bomb the San Ambrogio tunnel and fill, Italy.

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- 11th Laundry was turned in today. Steak for supper. No mission, with just the usual field duties.
- 12th No mission. Movie: "Hail The Conquering Hero," an Eddie Bracken comedy.
- 13th No mission. We were entertained by a U.S.O. stage show, with 3 guys and 3 gals putting on a good show. 2nd Lt. Daniel E. Sachs and 2nd Lt. Frank E. Sullivan, Jr. were appointed 1st Lts. 2nd Lt. John E. Jones was also appointed 1st Lt. 2nd Lt. Thomas I. Smith was appointed 1st Lt.
- 14th Twelve aircraft participated in the mission to bomb the Tortona ammunition dump, Italy. The Bridge at Parma was also hit by several of our planes. Chicken for dinner, and steak for supper. The Intelligence Section received a commendation from the Squadron Commander, Lt. Col. Wetzel, for a job well-done, which made each man in the S-2 section very proud indeed! Pvt. Joe Johnson was a proud poppa today...he received word that his wife gave birth to a baby girl.
- 15th Eighteen ships went on the mission to bomb the Cremona Ammunition Dump, Italy. A word of praise is in line for the men who worked on the construction of the new Enlisted Men's mess-hall...they included T/Sgt. Edward S. Davis, S/Sgt. Robert J. Awve, S/Sgt. Arnold V. Fort, and Cpl. Wilbur A. Anderson.
- 16th No mission. Movie: "Sensations of 1945," with W.C. Fields and Eleanor Powell.
- 17th No mission. A new type green "zoot-suit" field jacket and sweaters were issued to enlisted personnel by Squadron Supply. Several members of the Squadron were authorized to wear "air crew member" aviation badges. Major Rupert A. Nock, Group Intelligence Officer, formerly of the 379th Squadron, left on a well-earned furlough to the States. T/Sgt. Francis J. Beane was assigned to the 7th Replacement Depot for transshipment to the U.S. 1st Lt. Robert M. Lloyd and 1st Lt. Quentin McGaughran were also assigned to the 7th Replacement Depot for transshipment to the U.S. 1st Lt. Edwin R. Yarndley, of the Ordnance section, left for the U.S. on temporary duty.
- 18th No mission. Sgt. Luther J. Burgess and Pfc Jean P. Patterson returned to duty after a 10-day furlough spent in the Mediterranean area.
- 19th A rainy day, and no mission. Several transports arrived with new combat crews. Fried chicken for dinner. New sleeping bags were issued by Supply. Lt. Zinberg of the S-2 section gave another lecture on aircraft recognition. Movie: "The Hairy Ape," with good acting by William Bendix.



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- 20th No mission. New combat crew members attended a Security Lecture in the Briefing Room. The boys are contributing candy to the Red Cross unit here, to be distributed to the French children in Ghisonaccia for Xmas. A series of cribbage, pinochle, and ping-pong contests are to be started to "pass the long nights away."
- 21st No mission. A rainy day.
- 22nd Eighteen aircraft participated in the mission to bomb the Pordenone Railroad Bridge, Italy. P.X. rations were sold today.
- 23rd No mission. A bitter cold day. More Xmas packages came in. Movie: A comedy with Olsen and Johnson, but the cold weather kept many away, snug in their tents by warm stoves.
- 24th No mission. The Officers Club has been renovated and a new War Room is being set up by the S-2 officers. Nine bottles of beer were issued to each Enlisted Man free, thru the generosity of the Officers in our Squadron. We all agreed it was a grand Xmas present. Parties were held in the Officer's Club and the Enlisted Men's Bar. Midnight mass was held in the Briefing Room, which had been redecorated for the occasion.
- 25th Christmas Day. No mission. The men just took it easy, recuperating from last night's indulgences! Turkey for dinner.
- 26th Sgt. Robert J. Awve, Sgt. Kenneth Baker, Sgt. Marvin G. Davis, Sgt. Martin J. Lawless were promoted to the grade of S/Sgt.... Cpl. Wilbur L. Anderson, Cpl. Edward J. Barndt, Cpl. Arch C. Harvey Jr., were promoted to the grade of Sgt....Pfc Alfred H. Armstrong, Pfc Joseph Y. Bennett, Pfc Gerald V. Ellis, Pfc Raymond J. Morris, Pfc Edd H. Rhodes, Pvt. Boyce A. Brannon, Pvt. Arden E. Palk, and Pvt. Melvin R. Zimmerman were promoted to the grade of Cpl...These were the first promotions among ground personnel in a LONG TIME!  
Eighteen aircraft participated in the mission to bomb the Bologna ammunition dump, Italy.  
Beaucoup hangovers from Xmas cheer! More packages came in.
- 27th Fresh eggs for breakfast. 2nd Lt. Noah T. Shirley, Jr. was promoted to 1st Lt. 2nd Lt. George P. Parry Jr., 2nd Lt. Thomas Van Arnam, 2nd Lt. Richard W. Wagner, were promoted to the rank of 1st Lt...  
Eighteen aircraft bombed the Bologna ammunition dump, Italy.
- 28th Fourteen ships bombed enemy troop concentrations at Aulla, Italy.
- 29th Cpl. Paul A. Basso, Cpl. William H.M. Carr, Cpl. James V. Casconi, Cpl. Frank M. Faff, Cpl. James D. Nelsen, Cpl. George Prout, Cpl. Robert E. Stewart, and Cpl. Marvin R. Wedel were promoted to the grade of sergeant...

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29th (continued)...

Sgt. Philip M. Allen, Sgt. John E. Argo, Sgt. Harold F. Arnwine, Sgt. Wilbur A. Barton, Sgt. Frank Bor, Jr., Sgt. Edward J. Doeberl, Sgt. Daniel Feldman, Sgt. Raymond E. Forsyth, Sgt. Lewis Gehopolas, Sgt. John T. Greenfield, Sgt. James F. Harris, Sgt. Thomas D. Hastings, Sgt. Robert C. Hayes, Sgt. Clarence H. Helland, Sgt. William A. Hill, Sgt. John J. Koren, Sgt. Norman L. Lawrance, Sgt. Allen E. Merrill, Sgt. Stanley R. Milewsky, Sgt. Louis L. Oddening, Sgt. Joseph F. Rosenhauer, Sgt. Casper Spiess, Jr., Sgt. John R. Vollers, Jr., were promoted to the rank of S/Sgt.... Fifteen of our aircraft took part in the mission to bomb the Lavis rail viaduct, Italy.

30th Six aircraft participated in the mission to bomb the Dolce Rail Fill in Italy. Flak was moderate, heavy, and accurate, and several ships were hit.

31st New Years Eve, and a dance was given in Corte for the boys of the motor pool and their guests. It was a great success. To celebrate the end of a year of Victories for the Allies, the men spent a joyous evening in visiting from tent to tent and sharing whatever beverages could be obtained for this occasion...On the whole, celebrating was orderly... Six aircraft participated in the mission to Canale D'Isonzo rail bridge, and six other planes hit the Bologna Ammunition dump.

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On the last day of December 1944, the 379th Bomb Squadron had 105 Officers assigned, and 365 Enlisted Men assigned...

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SECTION III...

MISSION ROSTERS

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MISSION REPORTS.

S E C R E T

Mission Roster: 1 December, 1944. Time: 1:55. Target: Weather  
Reconnaissance, Italy.

43-4017

P Grant, W. K. Capt.  
CP Teter, J. B. 2nd Lt.  
N Haislip, R. A. 1st Lt.  
RG Faff, F. H. Cpl.  
G Kuschel, L. R. S/Sgt.  
TG Williamson, M. I. Pfc  
O Major Cox

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Mission Roster: 2 December, 1944. Time: 3:50. Target: Ala Railroad Bridge, Italy.

43-28083

P Fitzsimmons, R.J. Capt.  
 CP Smith, T.I. 2nd Lt.  
 N Dyson, L.W. 1st Lt.  
 B McCafferty, E.A. 1st Lt.  
 RG Mitchell, J.A. T/Sgt.  
 G Mattola, V.F. S/Sgt.  
 TG Geike, R.C. S/Sgt.

43-27775

P Gray, T. 1st Lt.  
 CP Parry, G.P. 2nd Lt.  
 B Prout, G. Cpl.  
 RG Zamponi, M.R. S/Sgt.  
 G Vollers, J.R. Sgt.  
 TG Doeberl, E.J. Sgt.

43-27724

P Ford, J.M. 1st Lt.  
 CP Wagner, R.W. 2nd Lt.  
 B Simon, G.H. 1st Lt.  
 RG Forsyth, R.E. Sgt.  
 G Finley, I.T. S/Sgt.  
 TG Greenfield, J.T. Sgt.

43-27582

P Shelton, W.B. Capt.  
 CP Teter, J.B. 2nd Lt.  
 B Stoker, W.S. 1st Lt.  
 G Lane, R.E. S/Sgt.  
 RG Stachowski, A.D. S/Sgt.  
 TG Florence, V.J. S/Sgt.  
 AP Gaither, J.C. Pvt.

43-27744

P Clemence, R.J. 1st Lt.  
 CP Johnstone, W.A. F/O  
 B Dillon, J.L. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Bor, F. S/Sgt.  
 G Rosenhauer, J.F. Sgt.  
 TG Feldman, D. Sgt.

43-4017

P Poole, W.H. 1st Lt.  
 CP Gedbaw, R.R. F/O  
 B Carroll, J.E. F/O  
 RG Gehopolas, L. Sgt.  
 G LeBoeuf, L.J. S/Sgt.  
 TG Merrill, A. Sgt.

43-27725

P Rova, P.E. 1st Lt.  
 CP Welch, F.V. 2nd Lt.  
 B Skalaban, A. 1st Lt.  
 N Haislip, R.A. 1st Lt.  
 RG Kolks, A. T/Sgt.  
 G Green, M.J. S/Sgt.  
 TG Mincy, R.L. S/Sgt.

43-27549

P Bartolo, W.A. 1st Lt.  
 CP VanArman, T. 2nd Lt.  
 B Holmes, A.J. Cpl.  
 RG Harris, J.F. Sgt.  
 G Oddenino, L.L. Sgt.  
 TG Gaich, S. S/Sgt.

43-27567

P Barnes, W.O. 1st Lt.  
 CP Sizemore, P.E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Hill, W.A. Sgt.  
 RG McNally, J.R. T/Sgt.  
 G Kirkpatrick, L.S. S/Sgt.  
 TG Waldron, E.G. S/Sgt.

43-27658

P Porter, R.H. 1st Lt.  
 CP Stephens, R.D. 2nd Lt.  
 B Hocknell, A.F. 1st Lt.  
 RG Green, J.R. Sgt.  
 G Wedel, M.R. Cpl.  
 TG Spiess, C. Sgt.  
 AP Garr, W.H.M. Cpl.

43-27577

P Soerens, W.D. 1st Lt.  
 CP Harrington, W.E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Starr, L.D. 1st Lt.  
 RG Faff, F.H. Cpl.  
 G Kuschel, L.R. S/Sgt.  
 TG Williamson, M.I. Pfc

43-27641

P Sachs, D.E. 2nd Lt.  
 CP Sullivan, F.E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Schell, F.G. 1st Lt.  
 RG Hastings, T.D. Cpl.  
 G Koren, J.J. Sgt.  
 TG Lawrance, N.L. Sgt.

43-4043

P Jones, J.E. 2nd Lt.  
 CP West, W. W. 2nd Lt.  
 B Roberts, F.B. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Britton, E.A. T/Sgt.  
 G Hayes, R. C. Sgt.  
 TG Helland, C.H. Sgt.

S E C R E T

Mission Roster : 4 December, 1944. Time: 2:30 Target: Faenza Defense Area,  
Italy.

43-27582

P Shelton, W. R. Capt.  
CP Shirley, N. T. 2nd Lt.  
B Stoker, W. S. 1st Lt.  
RG Stachowski, A. D. S/Sgt.  
G Lane, R. E. S/Sgt.  
TG Florence, V. J. S/Sgt.  
AF Feinstein, W. Pvt.

43-27725

P Rova, P. E. 1st Lt.  
CP Welch, F. V. 2nd Lt.  
B Skalaban, A. 1st Lt.  
RG Kolks, A. T/Sgt.  
G Green, M. J. S/Sgt.  
TG Mincy, R. L. S/Sgt.  
N Haislip, F. A. 1st Lt.

43-27658

P Porter, R. H. 1st Lt.  
CP Stephens, R. D. 2nd Lt.  
B Hocknell, A. F. 1st Lt.  
RG Green, J. R. Sgt.  
TG Spiess, C. Sgt.  
AF Barret, B. Pfc  
G Wedel, M. R. Cpl.

43-27775

P Gray, T. 1st Lt.  
CP Parry, G. 2nd Lt.  
B Prout, G. Cpl.  
RG McNally, J. R. T/Sgt.  
G Vollers, J. R. Sgt.  
TG Doeberl, E. J. Sgt.

43-4104

P Clemence, R. J. 1st Lt.  
CP Johnstone, W. A. F/O  
B Dillon, J. L. 2nd Lt.  
RG Bor, F. S/Sgt.  
G Rosenhauer, J. F. Sgt.  
TG Feldman, D. Sgt.

43-27549

P Bartolo, W. A. 1st Lt.  
CP VanArman, T. 2nd Lt.  
B Holmes, A. J. Cpl.  
RG Harris, J. F. Sgt.  
G Oddenino, L. L. Sgt.  
TG Milewsky, S. R. Sgt.

43-27781

P Soerens, W. D. 1st Lt.  
CP Harrington, W. E. 2nd Lt.  
B Starr, L. D. 1st Lt.  
RG Faff, F. H. Cpl.  
G Kuschel, L. P. S/Sgt.  
TG Williamson, M. I. Pfc

43-27724

P Ford, J. M. 1st Lt.  
CP Wagner, R. W. 2nd Lt.  
B Simon, G. H. 1st Lt.  
RG Forsyth, R. E. Sgt.  
G Waldron, E. G. S/Sgt.  
TG Greenfield, J. T. Sgt.

43-4043

P Jones, J. E. 2nd Lt.  
CP West, W. W. 2nd Lt.  
B Roberts, F. B. 2nd Lt.  
RG Overby, W. T. S/Sgt.  
G Hayes, R. C. Sgt.  
TG Helland, C. H. Sgt.

43-27641

P Sachs, D. E. 2nd Lt.  
CP Sullivan, F. E. 2nd Lt.  
B Hill, W. A. Sgt.  
RG Hastings, T. D. Cpl.  
G Koren, J. J. Sgt.  
TG Lawrance, N. L. Sgt.

43-27567

P McStea, A. 1st Lt.  
CP Uerling, F. G. 2nd Lt.  
B Greenman, H. P. 2nd Lt.  
RG Boring, M. E. T/Sgt.  
G Kirkpatrick, L. W. S/Sgt.  
TG White, H. E. S/Sgt.

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Mission Roster: 8 December 1944. Time: 3:50 Target: Weather Reconnaissance,  
Italy.

43-27724

F Gray, L. D. 1st Lt.  
CP Jacobs, G. M. 2nd Lt.  
N Simon, G. H. 1st Lt.  
RG McNally, J. R. T/Sgt.  
G Kirkpatrick, L. W. S/Sgt.  
TG Waldron, E. G. S/Sgt.

OB Klene, S/Sgt. (Weather Detch)

S E C R E T

Mission Roster: 9 December 1944. Time: 4:10 Target: Weather Reconnaissance,  
Italy.

43-27724

P Gray, L. D. 1st Lt.  
CP Jacobs, G. M. 2nd Lt.  
N Simon, G. H. 1st Lt.  
RG McNally, J. R. T/Sgt.  
G Kirkpatrick, L. W. S/Sgt.  
TG Waldron, E. G. S/Sgt.  
G Klene, S/Sgt. (Weather Detachment)



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Mission Roster: 10 December, 1944. Time: 3:05 Target: Weather  
Reconnaissance, Italy.

43-27724

P Gray, L. D. 1st Lt.  
CP Jacobs, G. M. 2nd Lt.  
N Simon, G. H. 1st Lt.  
RG McNally, J. R. T/Sgt.  
G Kirkpatrick, L. W. S/Sgt.  
TG Waldron, E. G. S/Sgt.  
OB Kline, S/Sgt. (Weather detachment)

S E C R E T

Mission Roster: 10 December, 1944. Time: 3:10 Target: San Ambrogio Tunnel, Italy.

43-27582

P Clemence, R. J. 1st Lt.  
 CP Johnstone, W. A. F/O  
 B Stoker, W. S. 1st Lt.  
 RG Bor, F. Sgt.  
 G Rosenhauer, J. F. Sgt.  
 TG Feldman, D. Sgt.  
 AP Gaither, J.G. Pvt.

43-4036

P Van Arnam, T. 2nd Lt.  
 CP Sizemore, P. E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Smith, E. F/O  
 RG Blackwell, S. A. Cpl.  
 G Cook, G. T. S/Sgt.  
 TG Cahalane, J. A. Cpl.

44-28083

P Fitzsimmons, R. J. Capt.  
 CP Dennis, A. L. 2nd Lt.  
 N Dyson, L. M. 1st Lt.  
 B McCafferty, E. A. 1st Lt.  
 RG Mitchell, J. A. T/Sgt.  
 G Mildrum, C. A. S/Sgt.  
 TG Arestie, H. S/Sgt.

43-27781

P Soerens, W. D. 1st Lt.  
 CP Harrington, W. E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Starr, L. D. 1st Lt.  
 RG Faff, F. H. Cpl.  
 G Kuschel, L. R. S/Sgt.  
 TG Williamson, M. I. Pfc

44-28930

P Shelton, W. R. Capt.  
 CP Welch, F. V. 2nd Lt.  
 B Skalaban, A. 1st Lt.  
 RG Stachowski, A. D. S/Sgt.  
 G Pruitt, J. S. S/Sgt.  
 TG Florence, V. J. S/Sgt.  
 AP Feinstein, W. Pvt.

43-4017

P Shaw, J. A. 1st Lt.  
 CP Teter, J. R. 2nd Lt.  
 B Dillon, J. L. 1st Lt.  
 RG Johnson, J. L. Pvt.  
 G Barton, W. A. Sgt.  
 TG Doeberl, E. J. Sgt.

43-27775

P Gray, T. 1st Lt.  
 CP Shirley, N. T. 2nd Lt.  
 B Prout, G. Cpl.  
 RG Boring, M. E. T/Sgt.  
 G Stewart, R. E. Cpl.  
 TG Holloway, L. A. S/Sgt.

43-27725

P Ford, J. M. 1st Lt.  
 CP Wagner, R. W. 2nd Lt.  
 B Arnwine, H. F. Cpl.  
 RG Forsyth, R. E. Cpl.  
 G Harrell, R. R. S/Sgt.  
 TG Greenfield, J. T. Sgt.

43-4045

P Jones, J. E. 2nd Lt.  
 CP West, W. W. 2nd Lt.  
 B Roberts, F. B. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Courbat, C. G. Cpl.  
 G Allen, P. M. Sgt.  
 TG Merrill, A. E. Sgt.

43-4104

P Sullivan, F. E. 2nd Lt.  
 CP Smith, W. W. 2nd Lt.  
 B Adams, C. J. S/Sgt.  
 RG Harris, J. F. Sgt.  
 G Vollers, J. R. Sgt.  
 TG Milewsky, S. R. Sgt.

43-27641

P Sachs, D. E. 2nd Lt.  
 CP Vance, N. A. 2nd Lt.  
 B Hill, W. A. Sgt.  
 RG Mascari, L. C. S/Sgt.  
 TG Eawrance, N. L. Sgt.  
 G Hastings, T. D. Sgt.

S E C R E T

Mission Roster: 10 December, 1944. Time: 2:15 Target: Fidenza R.R.  
Bridge, Italy.

43-27649

P McKanna, E. J. Capt.  
CP Hughes, W. C. Maj.  
N Haislip, R. A. 1st Lt.  
B Watts, G. S. 1st Lt.  
RG Basso, P. H. Cpl.  
G Lane, R. E. S/Sgt.  
TG Nelsen, J. D. Cpl.

43-27658

P Porter, R. H. 1st Lt.  
CP Stephens, R. D. 2nd Lt.  
B Hocknell, A. F. 1st Lt.  
RG Kolks, A. T/Sgt.  
G Wedel, M. R. Cpl.  
TG Spiess, C. Sgt.  
AP Carr, W.H.M. Cpl.

43-27577

P Marcy, P. P. 1st Lt.  
CP Remes, E. N. 2nd Lt.  
B Walsh, S. 2nd Lt.  
RG Casconi, J. V. Cpl.  
G Mattola, V. F. S/Sgt.  
TG Comer, L. A. S/Sgt.

43-27567

P Davis, R. W. 1st Lt.  
CP Rhodes, G. L. 2nd Lt.  
B Conway, T. F. Capt.  
RG Green, J. R. Sgt.  
G Green, M. J. S/Sgt.  
TG Mincy, R. L. S/Sgt.

43-27549

P Bartolo, W. A. 1st Lt.  
CP Alsworth, D. M. F/O  
B Holmes, A. J. Cpl.  
RG Lohrmann, R. J. T/Sgt.  
G Oddenino, L. L. Sgt.  
TG Conrow, E. G. S/Sgt.

43-4048

P Parry, G. P. 2nd Lt.  
CP Smith, T. I. 2nd Lt.  
B Argo, J. E. Sgt.  
RG Jackson, P. R. Cpl.  
G Coyne, T. J. S/Sgt.  
TG Brown, S. E. S/Sgt.

S E C R E T

Mission Roster: 11 December, 1944. Time: 3:00 Target: Weather  
Reconnaissance, Italy.

43-27724

P Gray, L. D. 1st Lt.  
CP Jacobs, G. M. 2nd Lt.  
N Simon, G. H. 1st Lt.  
RG McNally, J. R. T/Sgt.  
G Kirkpatrick, L. S/Sgt.  
TG Waldron, E. G. S/Sgt.  
OB Kline, S/Sgt. (Weather Detachment)

S E C R E T

Mission Roster: 14 December, 1944. Time: 2:35 Target: Tortonona Ammunition Dump, Italy.

44-28083

P Fitzsimmons, R. J. Capt.  
 CP Dennis, A. L. 2nd Lt.  
 N Dyson, L. M. 1st Lt.  
 B McCafferty, E. A. 1st Lt.  
 RG Mitchell, J. A. T/Sgt.  
 G Mildrum, C. A. S/Sgt.  
 TG Merrill, A. E. Sgt.

43-27775

P Gray, T. 1st Lt.  
 CP Rennels, J. H. 2nd Lt.  
 B Prout, G. Cpl.  
 RG Jarvis, J. P. T/Sgt.  
 G Allen, P. M. Sgt.  
 TG Holloway, L. A. S/Sgt.

43-4017

P Shaw, J. A. 1st Lt.  
 CP Teter, J. B. 2nd Lt.  
 B Dillon, J. L. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Johnson, J. L. Pvt.  
 G Barton, W. A. Sgt.  
 TG Doeberl, E. J. Sgt.  
 AP Barrett, B. B. Pfc

43-4043

P Shirley, N. T. 2nd Lt.  
 CP Wagner, R. W. 2nd Lt.  
 B LeTarte, E. J. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Courbat, C. G. Cpl.  
 G Austin, H. A. Cpl.  
 TG Rykken, T. A. Cpl.

43-27725

P Shelton, W. R. Capt.  
 CP Welch, F. V. 2nd Lt.  
 N Simon, G. H. 1st Lt.  
 B Skalaban, A. 1st Lt.  
 RG Stachowski, A. D. S/Sgt.  
 G Stewart, R. E. Cpl.  
 TG Florence, V. J. S/Sgt.

43-27571

P Ford, J. M. 1st Lt.  
 CP Gilman, N. C. 2nd Lt.  
 B Roberts, F. B. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Forsyth, R. E. Cpl.  
 G Harrell, R. R. S/Sgt.  
 TG Greenfield, J. T. Sgt.

43-27582

P Clemence, R. J. 1st Lt.  
 CP Johnstone, W. A. F/O  
 B Stoker, W. S. 1st Lt.  
 RG Bor, F. Sgt.  
 G Rosenhauer, J. F. Sgt.  
 TG Feldman, D. Sgt.  
 AP Gaither, J. C. Pvt.

43-4104

P Sullivan, F. E. 1st Lt.  
 CP Smith, W. W. 2nd Lt.  
 B Adams, C. J. S/Sgt.  
 RG Harris, J. F. Sgt.  
 G Vollers, J. R. Sgt.  
 TG Milewsky, S. R. Sgt.

43-27641

P Sachs, E. E. 1st Lt.  
 CP Vance, N. A. 2nd Lt.  
 B Hill, W. A. Sgt.  
 RG Hastings, T. D. Sgt.  
 G Mascari, L. C. S/Sgt.  
 TG Lawrance, N. L. Sgt.

44-28930

P Soerens, W. D. 1st Lt.  
 CP Jacobs, G. W. 2nd Lt.  
 B Starr, L. D. 1st Lt.  
 RG Faff, F. H. Cpl.  
 G Kuschel, L. R. S/Sgt.  
 TG Williamson, M. I. Pfc

43-4036

P Van Arnam, T. 2nd Lt.  
 CP Bodden, L. A. 2nd Lt.  
 B Smith, E. F/O  
 RG Blackwell, S. A. Cpl.  
 G Cook, C. T. S/Sgt.  
 TG Cahalane, J. A. Cpl.

44-28949

P Barnes, W. O. 1st Lt.  
 CP Sizemore, P. E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Schell, F. G. 1st Lt.  
 RG McNally, J. R. T/Sgt.  
 G Kirkpatrick, L. W. S/Sgt.  
 TG Waldron, E. G. S/Sgt.

S E C R E T

Mission Roster: 14 December, 1944. Time: 2:15 Target: Parma West  
Railroad Bridge, Italy.

43-27649

P McKanna, E. J. Capt.  
CP Grant, W. K. Capt.  
N Haislip, R. A. 1st Lt.  
B Watts, G. S. 1st Lt.  
RG Basso, P. H. Cpl.  
G Lane, R. E. S/Sgt.  
TG Nelsen, J. D. Cpl.

43-27658

P Porter, R. H. 1st Lt.  
CP Stephens, R. D. 2nd Lt.  
B Hocknell, A. F. 1st Lt.  
RG Kolks, A. T/Sgt.  
G Wedel, M. R. Cpl.  
TG Spiess, C. Sgt.  
AP Carr, W. H. M. Cpl.

43-27577

P Marcy, P. P. 1st Lt.  
CP Remes, E. N. 2nd Lt.  
B Walsh, S. 2nd Lt.  
RG Casconi, J. V. Cpl.  
G Mattola, V. F. S/Sgt.  
TG Comer, L. A. S/Sgt.

43-27567

P Davis, R. W. 1st Lt.  
CP Rhodes, G. L. 2nd Lt.  
B Arnwine, H. F. Cpl.  
RG Arestie, H. S/Sgt.  
G Green, M. J. S/Sgt.  
TG Mincy, R. L. S/Sgt.

43-27549

P Bartolo, W. A. 1st Lt.  
CP Alsworth, D. M. F/O  
B Holmes, A. J. Cpl.  
RG Lohrmann, R. J. T/Sgt.  
G Oddenino, L. L. Sgt.  
TG Conrow, E. G. S/Sgt.

43-4048

P Gray, L. D. 1st Lt.  
CP Jarman, T. J. 1st Lt.  
B Calbom, J. E. 2nd Lt.  
RG Case, H. L. S/Sgt.  
G Pruitt, J. S. S/Sgt.  
TG White, H. E. S/Sgt.

S E C R E T

Mission Roster: 15 December, 1944. Time: 2:30 Target: Cremona Ammunition Dump, Italy.

43-27649

P McKanna, E. J. Capt.  
 CP Winn, R. Capt. (Gp)  
 N Haislip, R. 1st Lt.  
 B Watts, G. S. 1st Lt.  
 RG Basso, P. H. Cpl.  
 G Lane, R. E. S/Sgt.  
 TG Nelsen, J. D. Cpl.

43-27658

P Porter, R. H. 1st Lt.  
 CP Stephens, R. D. 2nd Lt.  
 B Hocknell, A. F. 1st Lt.  
 RG Kolks, A. T/Sgt.  
 G Wedel, M. R. Cpl.  
 TG Spiess, C. Sgt.  
 AP Feinstein, W. Pvt.

44-28083

P Fitzsimmons, R. J. Capt.  
 CP Allison, R. B. Maj.  
 N Dyson, L. 1st Lt.  
 B McCafferty, E. A. 1st Lt.  
 RG Mitchell, J. A. T/Sgt.  
 G Mildrum, C. A. S/Sgt.  
 TG Milewsky, S. R. Sgt.

43-4017

P Shaw, J. A. 1st Lt.  
 CP Teter, J. B. 2nd Lt.  
 B Dillon, J. L. 1st Lt.  
 RG Johnson, J. L. Pvt.  
 G Barton, W. A. Sgt.  
 TG Doeberl, E. J. Sgt.  
 AP Barrett, B. B. Pfc

43-27725

P Shelton, W. R. Capt.  
 CP Welch, F. V. 2nd Lt.  
 N Simon, G. H. 1st Lt.  
 B Skalaban, A. 1st Lt.  
 RG Stachowski, A. D. S/Sgt.  
 G Stewart, R. E. Cpl.  
 TG Florence, V. J. S/Sgt.

43-27582

P Clemence, R. J. 1st Lt.  
 CP Johnstone, W. A. F/O  
 B Stoker, F. S. 1st Lt.  
 RG Bor, F. Sgt.  
 G Rosenhauer, J. F. Sgt.  
 TG Feldman, D. Sgt.  
 AP Carr, W. H. M. Cpl.

43-27577

P Marcy, P. P. 1st Lt.  
 CP Remes, E. N. 2nd Lt.  
 B Walsh, S. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Gasconi, J. V. Cpl.  
 G Mattola, V. F. S/Sgt.  
 TG Comer, L. A. Sgt.  
 O Gunter, F. B. Capt. (Gp)

43-27567

P Barnes, W. O. 1st Lt.  
 CP Sizemore, P. E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Schell, F. G. 1st Lt.  
 RG McNally, J. R. T/Sgt.  
 G Kirkpatrick, L. W. S/Sgt.  
 TG Gaich, S. S/Sgt.

43-27781

P Soerens, W. D. 1st Lt.  
 CP West, W. W. 2nd Lt.  
 B Starr, L. D. 1st Lt.  
 RG Faff, F. H. Cpl.  
 G Kuschel, L. R. S/Sgt.  
 TG Williamson, M. I. Pfc

44-28930

P Davis, R. W. 1st Lt.  
 CP Rhodes, G. L. 2nd Lt.  
 B Arnwine, H. Cpl.  
 RG Arestie, H. S/Sgt.  
 G Green, M. J. S/Sgt.  
 TG Mincy, R. L. S/Sgt.

43-27571

P McStea, A. 1st Lt.  
 CP Uerling, F. G. 2nd Lt.  
 B Greenman, E. P. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Case, H. L. S/Sgt.  
 G Pruitt, J. S. S/Sgt.  
 TG White, H. E. S/Sgt.

43-4104

P Shirley, N. T. 2nd Lt.  
 CP Wagner, R. W. 2nd Lt.  
 B LeTarte, E. H. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Courbat, C. G. Cpl.  
 G Austin, H. A. Cpl.  
 TG Rykken, T. A. Cpl.

S E C R E T

43-27549

P Bartolo, W. A. 1st Lt.  
 CP Alsworth, D. M. F/O  
 B Holmes, A. J. Cpl.  
 RG Lohrmann, R. H. T/Sgt.  
 G Oddenino, L. Sgt.  
 TG Conrow, E. C. S/Sgt.

43-4048

P Poole, W. H. 1st Lt.  
 CP Gedbaw, R. R. F/O  
 B Carroll, J. E. F/O  
 RG Gehopolas, L. Sgt.  
 G Shafer, W. E. T/Sgt.  
 TG Merrill, A. E. Sgt.

43-4036

P Gray, T. 1st Lt.  
 CP Rennels, J. H. 2nd Lt.  
 B Prout, G. Cpl.  
 RG Zamponi, M. R. S/Sgt.  
 G Allen, P. M. Sgt.  
 TG Holloway, L. A. S/Sgt.

43-27641

P Sachs, D. E. 1st Lt.  
 CP Vance, N. A. 2nd Lt.  
 B Hill, W. A. Sgt.  
 RG Hastings, T. D. Sgt.  
 G Vollers, J. R. Sgt.  
 TG Lawrance, N. L. Sgt.

43-4043

P Gray, L. D. 1st Lt.  
 CP Jarman, T. J. 1st Lt.  
 B Calbom, J. E. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Jarvis, J. P. T/Sgt.  
 G Mascari, L. C. S/Sgt.  
 TG Durie, W. E. S/Sgt.

43-27724

P Ford, J. M. 1st Lt.  
 CP Smith, W. W. 2nd Lt.  
 B Roberts, F. R. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Forsyth, R. E. Cpl.  
 G Harrell, R. R. S/Sgt.  
 TG Greenfield, J. T. Sgt.  
 AP Gaither, J. C. Pvt.



S E C R E T

Mission Roster: 22 December 1944. Time: 3:35 Target: Fordenone Railroad Bridge, Italy.

43-27649

P McKanna, E. J. Capt.  
 CP Jacobs, G. M. 2nd Lt.  
 N Haislip, R. A. 1st Lt.  
 B Watts, G. S. 1st Lt.  
 RG Basso, P. H. Cpl.  
 G Stewart, R. F. Cpl.  
 TG Nelson, J. D. Cpl.

43-27658

P Porter, R. H. 1st Lt.  
 CP Stephens, R. D. 2nd Lt.  
 B Hocknell, A. F. 1st Lt.  
 RG Kolks, A. T/Sgt.  
 G Wedel, M. R. Cpl.  
 TG Spiess, C. Sgt.  
 AP Barrett, B. B. Pfc

43-27775

P Fitzsimmons, R. J. Capt.  
 CP Dennis, A. L. 2nd Lt.  
 N Fisher, J. C. 1st Lt.  
 B McCafferty, E. A. 1st Lt.  
 RG Mitchell, J. A. T/Sgt.  
 G Mildrum, C. A. S/Sgt.  
 TG Durie, W. E. S/Sgt.

43-27582

P Clemence, R. J. 1st Lt.  
 CP Johnstone, W. A. F/O  
 B Stoker, W. S. 1st Lt.  
 RG Forsyth, R. E. Cpl.  
 G Harrell, R. R. S/Sgt.  
 TG Greenfield, J. T. Sgt.  
 AP Gaither, J. G. Pvt.

43-27781

P Shelton, W. R. Capt.  
 CP Welch, F. V. 2nd Lt.  
 N Simon, G. H. 1st Lt.  
 B Skalaban, A. 1st Lt.  
 RG Stachowski, A. D. S/Sgt.  
 G Mascari, L. C. S/Sgt.  
 TG Florence, V. J. S/Sgt.

43-4036

P Shaw, J. A. 1st Lt.  
 CP Wagner, R. W. 2nd Lt.  
 B Dillon, J. L. 1st Lt.  
 RG Johnson, J. L. Pvt.  
 G Barton, W. A. Sgt.  
 TG Doeberl, E. H. Sgt.  
 AP Feinstein, W. Pvt.

43-27577

P Marcy, P. Pl 1st Lt.  
 CP Remes, E. N. 2nd Lt.  
 B Walsh, S. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Gasconi, J. V. Cpl.  
 G Mattola, V. F. S/Sgt.  
 TG Comer, L. A. S/Sgt.

43-27567

P Barnes, W. O. 1st Lt.  
 CP Sizemore, P. E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Schell, F. G. 1st Lt.  
 RG Jarvis, J. P. T/Sgt.  
 G Kirkpatrick, L. W. S/Sgt.  
 TG Gaich, S. S/Sgt.

43-4043

P Jones, J. E. 1st Lt.  
 CP West, W. W. 2nd Lt.  
 B Roberts, R. S. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Overby, W. T. S/Sgt.  
 G Hayes, R. C. Sgt.  
 TG Helland, C. H. Sgt.

43-27725

P Gray, T. 1st Lt.  
 CP Vaughn, W. B. 1st Lt.  
 B Prout, G. Cpl.  
 RG Zamponi, M. R. S/Sgt.  
 G Allen, P. M. Sgt.  
 TG Holloway, L. A. S/Sgt.

43-27571

P McStea, A. 1st Lt.  
 CP Uerling, F. G. 2nd Lt.  
 B Greenman, E. F. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Case, H. L. S/Sgt.  
 G Pruitt, J. S. S/Sgt.  
 TG White, H. E. S/Sgt.

44-28083

P Van Arnem, T. 2nd Lt.  
 CP Bodden, L. A. 2nd Lt.  
 B Smith, E. F/O  
 RG Blackwell, S. A. Cpl.  
 G Cook, C. S/Sgt.  
 TG Cahalane, J. A. Cpl.

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43-27549

P Bartolo, W. A. 1st Lt.  
 CP Alsworth, D. M. F/O  
 B Holmes, A. J. Cpl.  
 RG Lohrmann, R. E. T/Sgt.  
 G Oddenino, L. L. Sgt.  
 TG Conrow, E. G. S/Sgt.

43-4048

P Poole, W. H. 1st Lt.  
 CP Gedbaw, R. R. F/O  
 B Carroll, J. E. F/O  
 RG Gehopolas, L. Sgt.  
 G Shafer, W. E. T/Sgt.  
 TG Merrill, A. E. Sgt.

44-28949

P Soerens, W. D. 1st Lt.  
 CP Harrington, W. E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Starr, L. D. 1st Lt.  
 RG Faff, F. H. Cpl.  
 G Kuschel, L. R. S/Sgt.  
 TG Williamson, M. I. Pfc

43-4017

P Parry, G. F. 2nd Lt.  
 CP Smith, T. I. 1st Lt.  
 B Argo, J. E. Sgt.  
 RG Jackson, F. R. Cpl.  
 G Coyne, T. J. S/Sgt.  
 TG Brown, S. E. S/Sgt.

44-28930

P Davis, R. W. 1st Lt.  
 CP Rhodes, G. I. 2nd Lt.  
 B Arnwine, H. F. Cpl.  
 RG Arestie, H. S/Sgt.  
 G Green, M. H. S/Sgt.  
 TG Mincy, R. L. S/Sgt.

43-4104

P Sullivan, P. E. 1st Lt.  
 CP Smith, W. W. 2nd Lt.  
 B Adams, C. V. S/Sgt.  
 RG Harris, J. F. Sgt.  
 G Vollers, J. R. Sgt.  
 TG Milewsky, S. R. Sgt.

## SECRET

Mission Roster: 26 December, 1944. Time: 3:00 Target: Bologna Ammunition  
Dump, Italy

44-27649

P McKanna, E.J. Capt.  
CP Jacobs, G.M. 2nd Lt.  
N Haislip, R.A. 1st Lt.  
B Watts, G.S. 1st Lt.  
RG Basso, F.H. Cpl.  
G Stewart, R.F. Cpl.  
TG Nelsen, J.D. Cpl.

43-27658

P Porter, R.H. 1st Lt.  
CP Stephens, R.D. 2nd Lt.  
B Hocknell, A.E. 1st Lt.  
RG Kolke, A.T/Sgt  
G Wedel, M.R. Cpl.  
TG Spiess, C. Sgt.  
AP Barrett, B.B. Pfc.

44-28930

P Shelton, W.R. Capt.  
CP Welch, F.V. 2nd Lt.  
N Simon, G.H. 1st Lt.  
B Skalaban, A. 1st Lt.  
RG Stachowski, A.D. S/Sgt  
G Mascari, L.O. S/Sgt.  
TG Florence, V.J. S/Sgt.

43-27582

P Glenence, R.J. 1st Lt.  
CP Johnstone, W.A. P/O  
B Stoker, W.D. 1st Lt.  
RG Harris, J.F. Sgt.  
TG Milewsky, S.R. Sgt.  
G Rosenbauer, J.F. Sgt.  
AP Gaither, J.C. Pvt.

44-28083

P Davidson, W.G. Capt.  
CP Remels, J.H. 2nd Lt.  
N Fisher, J.C. 1st Lt.  
B Long, C.D. 1st Lt.  
RG Britton, E.A. T/Sgt.  
G LeBouef, L.J. S/Sgt.  
TG Finley, I.T. Sgt.

43-4017

P Shaw, J.A. 1st Lt.  
CP Bodden, L.A. 2nd Lt.  
B Dillon, J.L. 1st Lt.  
RG Johnson, J.L. Pvt.  
G Barton, W.A. Sgt.  
TG Doeberl, E.J. Sgt./AP Carr, W.H.M.Cpl.

43-27577

P Marcy, P.P. 1st Lt.  
CP Renes, E.W. 2nd Lt.  
B Walsh, S. 2nd Lt.  
RG Casconi, J.V. Cpl.  
G Mattola, V.F. S/Sgt.  
TG Comer, L.A. S/Sgt.

43-27611

P Barnes, W.O. 1st Lt.  
CP Sizemore, P.E. 2nd Lt.  
B Schell, F.G. 1st Lt.  
RG Jarvis, J.P. T/Sgt.  
G Kirkpatrick, L.W. S/Sgt.  
TG Gaich, S. S/Sgt.

43-27775

P Gray, T. 1st Lt.  
CP Vaughn, W.B. 1st Lt.  
B Prout, G. Cpl.  
RG Zamponi, M.R. S/Sgt.  
G Allen, P.M. Sgt.  
TG Holloway, L.A. S/Sgt.

43-27724

P Ford, J.M. 1st Lt.  
CP Grauman, W.E. 2nd Lt.  
B LeTarte, E.J. 2nd Lt.  
RG Forsyth, R.E. Cpl.  
G Harrell, R.R. S/Sgt.  
TG Greenfield, J.T. Sgt.

43-27571

P McStea, A. 1st Lt.  
CP Uerling, F.G. 2nd Lt.  
B Greenman, E.P. 2nd Lt.  
RG Case, H.L. S/Sgt.  
G Pruitt, J.S. S/Sgt.  
TG White, H.E. S/Sgt.

43-4036

P Parry, G.P. 2nd Lt.  
CP Smith, T.I. 1st Lt.  
B Argo, J.E. Sgt.  
RG Jackson, P.R. Cpl.  
G Coyne, T.J. S/Sgt.  
TG Brown, S.E. S/Sgt.

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F Wagner, R.W. 2nd Lt.  
 CP Cashon, E.E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Calbon, J.E. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Aller, H.B. Cpl.  
 G Vollers, J.R. Sgt.  
 TG Morris, W.M. Cpl.

43-27781

P Soerens, W.D. 1st Lt.  
 CP Harrington, W.E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Starr, L.D. 1st Lt.  
 RG Faff, F.H. Cpl.  
 G Kuschel, L.R. S/Sgt.  
 TG Williamson, M. I. Pfc.

43-4048

P Poole, W.H. 1st Lt.  
 CP Gedbaw, R.E. F/O  
 B Carroll, J.E. F/O  
 RG Gehopolas, L. Sgt.  
 G Shafer, W.E. T/Sgt.  
 TG Merrill, A.E. Sgt.

43-27567

P Davis, R.W. 1st Lt.  
 CP Tewell, R.A. 2nd Lt.  
 B Arnwine, H. Cpl.  
 RG Arestie, H. S/Sgt.  
 G Green, M.J. S/Sgt.  
 TG Mincy, R.L. S/Sgt.

43-4043

F Jones, J.E. 1st Lt.  
 CP West, W.W. 2nd Lt.  
 B Roberts, R.B. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Overby, W.T. S/Sgt.  
 G Hayes, R.C. Sgt.  
 TG Helland, C.H. Sgt.

S E C R E T

Mission Roster: 27 December 1944. Time: 2:45 Target: Bologna Supply Dump, Italy

43-27649

P McKanna, E.J. Capt.  
 CP Jacobs, G.M. 2nd Lt.  
 N Haislip, R.A. 1st Lt.  
 B Watts, G.S. 1st Lt.  
 RG Basso, F.H. Cpl.  
 G Stewart, R.E. Cpl.  
 TG Nelson, J.D. Cpl.  
 O Dixon, Major

43-27567

P Earner, W.O. 1st Lt.  
 CP Dennis, A.L. 2nd Lt.  
 B Schell, F.G. 1st Lt.  
 RG Jarvis, J.P. T/Sgt.  
 G Kirkpatrick, L.W. S/Sgt.  
 TG Gaich, S. Sgt.

43-27658

P Jones, J.E. 1st Lt.  
 CP West, W.W. 2nd Lt.  
 B Hocknell, A.E. 1st Lt.  
 RG Overby, W.T. S/Sgt.  
 G Hayes, E.C. Sgt.  
 TG Helland, G.W. S/Sgt.  
 AF Feinstein, W. Pvt.

43-27775

P Gray, T. 1st Lt.  
 CP Vaughn, W.B. 1st Lt.  
 B Prout, G. Cpl.  
 RG Zamponi, M.R. S/Sgt. (AP)  
 G Allen, P.M. Sgt.  
 TG Holmoway, L.A. S/Sgt.

43-27582

P Clemence, R.J. 1st Lt.  
 CP Johnstone, W.A. F/O  
 B Stoker, W.S. 1st Lt.  
 RG Bor, R. Sgt.  
 G Rosenhauer, J.F. Sgt.  
 TG Feldman, D. Sgt.  
 AP Gaither, J.C. Pvt.

43-4036

P Parry, C.P. 2nd Lt.  
 CP Smith, T.I. 1st Lt.  
 B Argo, J.E. Sgt.  
 RG Jackson, P.R. Cpl.  
 G Coyne, T.J. S/Sgt.  
 TG Brown, S.E. S/Sgt.

43-28083

P Shelton, W.R. Capt.  
 CP Welch, F.V. 2nd Lt.  
 N Dyson, L.M. 1st Lt.  
 B Skalaban, A. 1st Lt.  
 RG Stackowski, A.D. S/Sgt.  
 G Mascari, L.C. S/Sgt.  
 TG Florence, V.J. S/Sgt.

43-27724

P Ford, J.M. 1st Lt.  
 CP Teter, J.B. 2nd Lt.  
 B Simon, G.H. 1st Lt.  
 RG Forsyth, R.E. Sgt. (AP)  
 G Harrell, R.R. S/Sgt.  
 TG Greenfield, J.T. S/Sgt.

44-28930

P Soerens, W.D. 1st Lt.  
 CP Harrington, W.E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Dillon, J.L. 1st Lt.  
 RG Paff, P.M. Cpl.  
 G Kuschel, L.R. S/Sgt.  
 TG Williamson, M.I. Pfc.  
 AP Carr, W.H.N. Cpl.

43-4043

P Sullivan, P.E. 1st Lt.  
 CP Bodden, L.A. 2nd Lt.  
 B Calbon, J.E. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Harris, J.F. Sgt.  
 G Vollers, J.R. Sgt.  
 TG Milewsky, S.R. Sgt.

43-27577

P Marcy, P.F. 1st Lt.  
 CP Remes, BLN. 2nd Lt.  
 B Walsh, S. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Casconi, J.V. Cpl.  
 G Mattola, V.F. S/Sgt.  
 TG Comer, L.A. S/Sgt.

43-27549

P Bartolo, W.A. 1st Lt.  
 CP Alsworth, D.M. F/O  
 B Holmes, A.J. Cpl.  
 RG Lohrmann, R.J. T/Sgt.  
 G Oddenino, L.L. Sgt.  
 TG Conrow, E.G. S/Sgt.

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43-2048

P Poole, W.H. 1st Lt.  
 CP Gedbaw, R.R. F/O  
 B Carroll, J.E. F/O  
 RG Gehopolas, L. Sgt.  
 G Shafer, W.E. T/Sgt.  
 TG Durie, W.E. S/Sgt.

43-27641

P Sachs, D.E. 1st Lt.  
 CP Vance, N.A. 2nd Lt.  
 B Starr, L.D. 1st Lt.  
 RG Hastings, T.D. Sgt.  
 G Koren, J.J. Sgt.  
 TG Lawrence, H.L. Sgt.

43-27571

P McStea, A. 1st Lt.  
 CP Uerling, F.C. 2nd Lt.  
 B Greenman, H.P. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Case, H.L. S/Sgt.  
 G Fruitt, J.S. S/Sgt.  
 TG White, H.E. S/Sgt.

43-27781

P Wagner, R.W. 2nd Lt.  
 CP Cashon, E.L. 2nd Lt.  
 B Lewis, E.S. F/O  
 RG Wolfson, D.G. Cpl.  
 G Adler, H.R. Cpl.  
 TG Morris, W.M. Cpl.

43-4017

P Jarman, T.J. 1st Lt.  
 CP Stephens, P.D. 2nd Lt.  
 B Roberts, R.E. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Kolks, A.T/Sgt.  
 G Wedel, M.R. Cpl.  
 TG Spiess, C. Sgt.

## S E C R E T

Mission Roster: 28 December 1944. Time: 2:05 Target: Troop Concentration at  
Aulla, Italy.

44-28949

P Davidson, W.G. Capt.  
CP Schneider, W.J. Capt.  
N Fisher, J.C. 1st Lt.  
B Long, C.D. 1st Lt.  
RG Britton, R.A. T/Sgt.  
G LeBouef, L.J. S/Sgt.  
TG Finley, I.T. S/Sgt.

43-4043

P Jones, J.E. 1st Lt.  
CP West, W.W. 2nd Lt.  
B Hocknell, A.F. 1st Lt.  
RG Overby, W.T. S/Sgt.  
G Hayes, R.C. Sgt.  
TG Helland, C.H. Sgt.  
AF Feinstein, W. Pvt.

44-28083

P Shelton, W.R. Capt.  
CP Welch, F.V. 2nd Lt.  
N Dyson, L.M. 1st Lt.  
B Skalaban, A. 1st Lt.  
RG Stachowski, A. T/Sgt.  
G Mascari, L.C. S/Sgt.  
TG Florence, V.J. S/Sgt.

43-27781

P Soerens, W.D. 1st Lt.  
CP Grauman, W.E. 2nd Lt.  
E Starr, L.D. 1st Lt.  
RG Faff, F.H. Cpl.  
G Kuschel, L.R. S/Sgt.  
TG Williamson, M.I. Pfc.  
AF Gaither, J.C. Pvt.

43-27577

P Marcy, P.P. 1st Lt.  
CP Remes, E.N. 2nd Lt.  
E Walsh, S. 2nd Lt.  
RG Casconi, J.V. Cpl.  
G Mattola, V.F. S/Sgt.  
TG Comer, L.A. S/Sgt.

43-4048

P Poole, W.M. 1st Lt.  
CP Teter, J.B. 2nd Lt.  
B Carroll, J.E. P/O  
RG Gehopolas, L. Sgt.  
G Shafer, W.E. T/Sgt.  
TG Durie, W.E. S/Sgt.

43-27775

P Gray, T. 1st Lt.  
CP Vaughn, W.H. 1st Lt.  
B Prout, C. Cpl.  
RG Zamponi, M.F. S/Sgt.  
G Allen, P.M. Sgt.  
TG Holloway, L.A. S/Sgt.

43-4036

P Parry, G.P. 1st Lt.  
CP Smith, T.I. 1st Lt.  
B Argo, J.E. Sgt.  
RG Jackson, P.R. Cpl.  
G Coyne, T.J. S/Sgt.  
TG Brown, S.E. S/Sgt.

SECRET

Anti Flak

43-27567

P Barnes, W.D. 1st Lt.  
 CP Bodden, L.A. 2nd Lt.  
 B Schell, F.G. 1st Lt.  
 RG Jarvis, J.P. T/Sgt.  
 G Kirkpatrick, L.W.  
 TG Gaich, S. S/Sgt.

43-27549

P Bartolo, V.A. 1st Lt.  
 CP Alsworth, D.E. F/O  
 B Holmes, A.J. Cpl.  
 RG Lehrmann, R.J. T/Sgt.  
 G Oddenino, L.L. Sgt.  
 TG Conrow, E.C. S/Sgt.

43-4017

P Wagner, R.W. 1st Lt.  
 CP Cashon, E.E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Lewis, E.S. F/O  
 RG Aller, H.B. Cpl.  
 G Wolfson, D. Cpl.  
 TG Morris, W.M. Cpl.

43-27571

P McStee, T. 1st Lt.  
 CP Verling, F.C. 2nd Lt.  
 B Greenman, E.P. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Case, H.L. S/Sgt.  
 G Pruitt, J.S. S/Sgt.  
 TG White, H.E. S/Sgt.

43-27724

P Sullivan, F.E. 1st Lt.  
 CP Stephens, R.D. 2nd Lt.  
 B LePerte, E.J. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Green, H.J. S/Sgt.  
 G Wedel, M.P. Cpl.  
 TG Spiess, C. Sgt.

43-27647

P Sachs, D.E. 1st Lt.  
 CP Vance, N.A. 2nd Lt.  
 B Simon, C. 1st Lt.  
 RG Hastings, T.D. Sgt.  
 G Koren, J.J. Sgt.  
 TG Lawrence, H.L. Sgt.



## S E C R E T

Mission Roster: 29 December, 1944. Time: 3:50 Target: Lavis East Viaduct, Italy.

44-28949

F Davidson, W.G. Capt.  
 CP Rennels, J.H. 2nd Lt.  
 N. Fisher, J.C. 1st Lt.  
 E Long, L.A. T/Sgt.  
 G LeCoeuf, L.J. S/Sgt.  
 TG Finley, I.T. S/Sgt.  
 RG Britton, L.A. T/Sgt.

44-28980

F Soerens, W.D. 1st Lt.  
 CP Crisman, W.E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Starr, L.D. 1st Lt.  
 RG Paff, F.H. Cpl.  
 G Kuschel, L.R. S/Sgt.  
 TG Williamson, M.I. Pfc.  
 AF Barrett, B.B. Pfc.

43-28083

F Shelton, W.R. Capt.  
 CP Welch, F.V. 2nd Lt.  
 N Dyson, L. 1st Lt.  
 B Skalaban, A. 1st Lt.  
 RG Stachowski, A.D. S/Sgt.  
 G Mascari, L.C. S/Sgt.  
 TG Florence, V.J. S/Sgt.

43-4043

F Jones, J.E. 1st Lt.  
 CP Best, W.W. 2nd Lt.  
 B Hocknell, A.F. 1st Lt.  
 RG Overby, W.T. S/Sgt.  
 G Hayes, F.C. Sgt.  
 TG Helland, C.H. Sgt.  
 AF Carr, W.H.M. Cpl.

43-27582

F Clemence, R.J. 1st Lt.  
 CP Johnstone, W.A. P/O  
 B Stoker, W.S. 1st Lt.  
 N Haislip, R.A. 1st Lt.  
 RG Bor, F. Sgt.  
 G Rosenbauer, J.F. Sgt.  
 TG Feldman, D. Sgt.

43-27577

F Marcy, F.P. 1st Lt.  
 CP Remes, E.N. 2nd Lt.  
 B Walsh, S. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Casconi, J.V. Cpl.  
 G Mattola, V.F. S/Sgt.  
 TG Comer, L.A. S/Sgt.

43-27658

F Perry, G.P. 1st Lt.  
 CP Smith, T.J. 1st Lt.  
 B Argo, J.E. Sgt.  
 RG Jackson, P.R. Cpl.  
 G Coyne, T.J. S/Sgt.  
 TG Brown, S.E. S/Sgt.

43-27775

F Gray, T. 1st Lt.  
 CP Vaughn, W.E. 1st Lt.  
 E ~~FISHLY~~ Z.E. ~~18XXXX~~.  
 B Prout, G. Cpl.  
 RG Zamponi, M.F. S/Sgt.  
 G Allen, F.M. Sgt.  
 TG Holloway, L.A. S/Sgt.

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43-4048

P Poole, W.M. 1st Lt.  
 CP Gedshaw, E.R. F/O  
 B Carroll, J.E. F/O  
 RG Gehopolas, L. Sgt.  
 G Shafer, W.E. T/Sgt.  
 TG Durie, W.E. S/Sgt.

43-4017

P Wagner, F.W. 1st Lt.  
 CP Cashion, E.E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Lewis, E.S. F/O  
 RG Aller, H.E. Cpl.  
 G Wolfson, D.C. Cpl.  
 TG Morris, W.M. Cpl.

43-27567

P Barnes, W.O. 1st Lt.  
 CP Bodden, I.A. 2nd Lt.  
 E Schell, F.G. 1st Lt.  
 RG Jarvis, J.P. T/Sgt.  
 G Kirkpatrick, L.W. S/Sgt.  
 TG Galch, S. S/Sgt.

43-27641

P Sachs, D.E. 1st Lt.  
 CP Vance, N.A. 2nd Lt.  
 B Simon, G. 1st Lt.  
 RG Hastings, T.D. Sgt.  
 G Koren, J.J. Sgt.  
 TG Lawrence, H.L. Sgt.

43-27549

P Bartolo, W.A. 1st Lt.  
 CP Harrington, T.E. 2nd Lt.  
 B Holmes, A.J. Cpl.  
 RG Lehmann, R.J. T/Sgt.  
 G Oddenino, L.L. Sgt.  
 TG Conroy, E.G. S/Sgt.

43-27724

P Sullivan, F.E. 1st Lt.  
 CP Jacobs, G.M. 2nd Lt.  
 B LeTarte, E.J. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Green, W.J. S/Sgt.  
 G Wedel, M.R. Cpl.  
 TG Spiess, C. Sgt.

43-27571

P McStee, A. 1st Lt.  
 CP Uerling, F.C. 2nd Lt.  
 B Greenman, H.P. 2nd Lt.  
 RG Case, H.L. S/Sgt.  
 G Pruitt, J.S. S/Sgt.  
 TG White, H.E. S/Sgt.

S E C R E T

Mission Roster: 30 December 1944. Time: 3:20. Target: Dolce RR Fill,  
Italy.

44-28949

P Davidson, W. G. Capt.  
CP Dennis, A. L. 2nd Lt.  
N Fisher, J. C. 1st Lt.  
B Long, C. D. 1st Lt.  
RG Britton, E. A. T/Sgt.  
G LeBoeuf, L. J. S/Sgt.  
TG Finley, I. T. S/Sgt.

43-27582

P Clemence, R. J. 1st Lt.  
CP Grauman, W. E. 2nd Lt.  
B Stoker, W. S. 1st Lt.  
RG Bor, F. S/Sgt.  
TG Feldman, D. Sgt.  
AP Carr, W.H.M. Sgt.  
G Rosenhauer, J. F. Sgt.

43-27775

P Gray, T. 1st Lt.  
CP Vaughn, W. B. 1st Lt.  
B Frout, G. Cpl.  
RG Zamponi, M. R. Sgt.  
G Allen, P. M. Sgt.  
TG Holloway, L. A. S/Sgt.

43-4017

P Wagner, R. W. 1st Lt.  
CP Cashion, E. E. 2nd Lt.  
B Lewis, E. S. F/O  
RG Aller, H. B. Cpl.  
G Wolfson, D. G. Cpl.  
TG Morris, W. M. Cpl.

43-27571

P Jarman, T. H. 1st Lt.  
CP Gilman, H. C. 2nd Lt.  
B Calbom, J. E. 2nd Lt.  
RG Harris, J. E. Sgt.  
G Vollers, J. R. Sgt.  
TG Milewsky, S. R. Sgt.

43-4036

P Parry, G. P. 1st Lt.  
CP Smith, T. I. 1st Lt.  
B Argo, J. E. Sgt.  
RG Jackson, P. R. Cpl.  
G Pruitt, J. S. S/Sgt.  
TG Brown, S. E. S/Sgt.

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Mission Roster: 31 December 1944. Time: 2:45 Target: Boderes RR  
Bridge, Italy.

43-27649

P McKanna, E. J. Capt.  
CP Phillips, E. J. Capt.  
N Haislip, R. A. 1st Lt.  
B Watts, G. S. 1st Lt.  
RG Basso, P. H. Cpl.  
G Stewart, R. E. Cpl.  
TG Nelsen, J. D. Cpl.

43-27567

P Barnes, W. O. 1st Lt.  
CP Sizemore, P. E. 2nd Lt.  
B Schell, F. G. 1st Lt.  
RG Jarvis, J. P. T/Sgt.  
G Kirkpatrick, L. W. S/Sgt.  
TG Gaich, S. S/Sgt.

43-4043

P Jones, J. E. 1st Lt.  
CP West, W. W. 2nd Lt.  
B Hocknell, A. F. 1st Lt.  
RG Overby, W. T. S/Sgt.  
G Hayes, R. G. Sgt.  
TG Helland, G. H. Sgt.  
AP Gaither, J. C. Pvt.

43-27658

P Van Arnam, T. 1st Lt.  
CP Bodden, L. A. 2nd Lt.  
B Smith, E. F/O  
RG Blackwell, S. A. Cpl.  
G Cook, C. T. S/Sgt.  
TG Cahalane, J. A. Cpl.

43-27577

P Marcy, F. P. 1st Lt.  
CP Remes, E. N. 2nd Lt.  
B Walsh, S. 2nd Lt.  
RG Casconi, J. V. Cpl. (AP)  
G Mattola, V. F. S/Sgt.  
TG Comer, L. A. S/Sgt.

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Mission Roster: 31 December 1944. Time: 3:20. Target: Bologna  
Supply Dump, Italy.

44-28083

P Shelton, W. E. Capt.  
CP Welch, F. V. 2nd Lt.  
N Dyson, L. M. 1st Lt.  
B Skalaban, A. 1st Lt.  
RG Stachowski, A. D. S/Sgt.  
G Mascari, L. G. S/Sgt.  
TG Florence, V. J. S/Sgt.

43-27641

P Gedbaw, R. R. F/O  
CP Teter, J. B. 2nd Lt.  
B Arnwine, H. F. Sgt.  
RG Johnson, J. L. Pvt.  
G Barton, W. A. Sgt.  
TG Doeberl E. J. S/Sgt.

43-27781

P Soerens, W. D. 1st Lt.  
CP Grauman, W. E. 2nd Lt.  
B Starr, L. D. 1st Lt.  
RG Faff, P. H. Cpl.  
G Kuschel, L. R. S/Sgt.  
TG Williamson, M. I. Pfc  
AP Barrett, B. B. Pfc

44-28930

P Shirley, N. T. 1st Lt.  
CP Tewell, R. A. 2nd Lt.  
B LeTarte, E. J. 2nd Lt.  
RG Courbat, C. C. Cpl. (AP)  
G Austin, H. A. Cpl.  
TG Rykken, T. A. Cpl.

43-4048

P Gray, T. 1st Lt.  
CP Vaughn, W. E. 1st Lt.  
B Prout, G. S/Sgt.  
RG Zamponi, M. D. S/Sgt.  
G Allen, P. M. S/Sgt.  
TG Holloway, L. A. S/Sgt.

43-27724

P Harrington, W. E. 2nd Lt.  
CP Rhodes, G. L. 2nd Lt.  
B Roberts, F. 2nd Lt.  
RG Arestie, H. S/Sgt.  
G Green, M. H. S/Sgt.  
TG Mincy, R. L. S/Sgt.

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Group Mission No. 706. 1 December 1944. Target: Weather Recce, Italy.  
Sqn. Mission No. 408.

Group Mission No. 709. 2 December 1944. Target: Ala RR. Bridge, Italy.  
Sqn. Mission No. 409.

Results: Fire bombs from one a/c hit to West of North Gun Positions. Frag bombs from other two ships believed to have hit on, or near, other Gun Positions in Target Area. Majority of bombs of formation hit over and short of bridge. No D/H's observed. One box of the flight had Radio Release of bombs.

Group Mission No. 711. 4 December 1944. Target: Faenza Defense Area,  
Sqn. Mission No. 410. Italy.

Results: Strings of frags seen to walk through E. half, and extreme western half of area. Some bombs overshot. Others, starting at main highway, SE of Area, walked up to target, starting fires. One explosion observed. Heavy haze made identification difficult.

Group Mission No. 712. 8 December 1944. Target: Weather Recce, Italy.  
Sqn. Mission No. 411.

Group Mission No. 713. 9 December 1944. Target: Weather Recce, Italy.  
Sqn. Mission No. 412.

Group Mission No. 714. 10 December 1944. Target: Weather Recce, Italy.  
Sqn. Mission No. 413.

Group Mission No. 717. 10 December 1944. Target: San Ambrogio Tunnel  
Sqn. Mission No. 414. and Fill, Italy.

Results: Good concentrations on mouth of tunnel and fill. D/H's were reported and Fill believed to have collapsed. Other bombs hitting just North of Target believed to have caused landslide on tracks. Anti-flak a/c report hitting effectively in Area of Gun Positions.

Group Mission No. 721. 10 December 1944. Target: Fidenza RR Bridge,  
Sqn. Mission No. 415. Italy.

Results: Weather prevented observations.

Group Mission No. 722. 11 December 1944. Target: Weather Recce, Italy.  
Sqn. Mission No. 416.

Group Mission No. 723. 14 December 1944. Target: Toftona Ammunition  
Sqn. Mission No. 417. Dump, Italy.

Results: Excellent coverage of entire target area. The center of the dump received a heavy concentration with many D/H's on buildings. Numerous fires, explosions, and columns of black smoke observed.

Group Mission No. 724. 14 December 1944. Target: Parma West RR  
Sqn. Mission No. 418. Bridge, Italy.

Results: Bombs fell in a compact pattern just N. of the Western section of the bridge. No hits observed.

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Group Mission No. 728. 15 December 1944. Target: Cremona Ammunition  
Sqdn. Mission No. 419. Dump, Italy.  
Results: Weather obscured results.

Group Mission No. 731. 22 December 1944. Target: Pordenone RR  
Sqdn. Mission No. 420. Bridge, Italy.  
Results: Bridge missed due to malfunction of equipment. Bombs be-  
lieved to have hit SW of target.

Group Mission No. 735. 26 December 1944. Target: Bologna Ammunition  
Sqdn. Mission No. 421. Dump, Italy.  
Results: Lead box did not drop due to Special Equipment failure.  
Second and Third boxes made a second run using Norden bombsight.  
Some bombs walked into NE edge of target. Other bombs fell slightly  
to West.

Group Mission No. 740. 27 December 1944. Target: Bologna Ammunition  
Sqdn. Mission No. 422. Dump, Italy.  
Results: Some bombs hit NE section of Target Area causing very large  
explosions and heavy fires with high reaching flames. Most bombs  
fell to West and North of Target. Special Equipment used but did  
not function properly. Lead box dropped on Special Equipment; other  
two boxes dropped by Norden Bombsight.

Group Mission No. 742. 28 December 1944. Target: Aulla Troop Con-  
Sqdn. Mission No. 423. centrations, Italy.  
Results: Excellent concentration covered entire target area. Bright  
red flashes and black and brown smoke observed. Bridge just south  
of town, caught in bomb pattern and reported hit. Gun positions  
also hit.

Group Mission No. 743. 29 December 1944. Target: Lavis Rail Via-  
Sqdn. Mission No. 424. duct, Italy.  
Results: Two patterns crossed North end and one pattern cut center  
section of Viaduct with D/H's reported. Some bombs fell over to  
the West in River.

Group Mission No. 746. 30 December 1944. Target: Dolce Rail Fill,  
Sqdn. Mission No. 425. Italy.  
Results: Good concentration in target area. Patterns crossed the  
center and S end of the fill with D/H's reported. Other bombs fell  
slightly over.

Group Mission No. 747. 31 December 1944. Target: Canale D'Isonzo  
Sqdn. Mission No. 426. Rail Bridge, Italy.  
Results: Special Equipment used. Good concentration on target with  
strings across center and north end. D/H's reported. Some bombs  
overshot. One span observed down on breakaway.

Group Mission No. 748. 31 December 1944. Target: Bologna Ammunition  
Sqdn. Mission No. 427. Dump, Italy.  
Results: Special Equipment failed to function. 1st box did not drop  
because of bombsight malfunction. 2nd and 3rd boxes dropped by Norden  
Sight on 2nd run, and reported one string hitting W. edge of target

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and another pattern along E. edge causing fires and grayish-brown smoke.

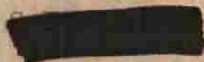
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December, 1944.

Total sorties:	180
Total forwarded:	<u>3115</u>
Grand Total:	3295

Total Sqdn. Missions for month:	20
Total Sqdn. Missions forwarded:	<u>407</u>
Grand Total:	427

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SECTION IV...

CASUALTIES.

1st Lt. John E. Calbon received slight wounds in the arm and hands from enemy flak during the mission of December 30, 1944, while participating in a bombing attack against the enemy at Dolce Rail Fill, Italy.

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SECTION V...

COMMENDATIONS...



S E C R E T.

379th Bombardment Squadron (M)  
310th Bombardment Group  
APO 650

13 December 1944

SUBJECT: Commendation of Intelligence Section.


TO : All concerned.

1. As Commanding Officer of the 379th Bombardment Squadron, it is with the greatest pleasure that I publicize and pass on to all personnel of this organization my personal praise and commendation for the work which has been, and is being, done by the Intelligence Section of this Squadron.

2. The Officer and Enlisted Personnel of the Intelligence Section, through admirable initiative, cooperation and labor, have developed and maintained a most efficient, skilled section, second to none in the Group. Their outstanding proficiency in all matters pertaining to Intelligence functions, including briefings and interrogations, awards, situation boards and maps, and the preparation and editing of the Squadron History, has been of material aid in the overall efficiency and combat effectiveness of the entire Squadron.

3. The Intelligence Section has recently completed a new office and war room, and all personnel of the Squadron are invited and urged to pay them a visit and see the commendable results of their work.

M. J. WETZEL,  
Lt. Col., AC,  
Commanding.



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HEADQUARTERS  
310TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF  
APO 650

24 December 1944

SUBJECT: Christmas Messages.

TO : All concerned.

1. The following Christmas Messages are quoted for your information:

"TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE ARMED FORCES ON BEHALF OF A GRATEFUL NATION I SEND TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF OUR ARMED FORCES EVERYWHERE WARM AND CONFIDENT GOOD WISHES THIS FOURTH CHRISTMAS OF WAR. ON CHRISTMAS DAY MORE THAN ON ANY OTHER DAY WE REMEMBER YOU WITH PRIDE AND WITH HUMILITY WITH ANGUISH AND WITH JOY. WE SHALL KEEP ON REMEMBERING YOU ALL THE DAYS OF OUR LIVES. IT IS THEREFORE WITH SOLEMN PRIDE THAT I SALUTE THOSE WHO STAND IN THE FOREFRONT OF THE STRUGGLE TO BRING BACK TO A SUFFERING WORLD THE WAY OF LIFE SYMBOLIZED BY THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS"

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

"SINCE MY CHRISTMAS MESSAGE A YEAR AGO A GREAT CHANGE HAS COME OVER THE ARMY IN EUROPE OUR TROOPS WITH THE BRITISH ARE ATTACKING THE ENEMY ALONG A THOUSAND MILE FRONT. AMERICAN BOMBERS AND FIGHTERS ARE COVERING ALL OF GERMANY. IN THE PACIFIC MORE AND MORE TROOPS AND PLANES ARE BEING EMPLOYED AGAINST THE ENEMY AND WITH THE TREMENDOUS BLOWS OF THE NAVY THE LIBERATION OF THE PHILIPPINES IS NOW WELL WITHIN OUR REACH. IN BURMA AND CHINA AMERICAN PLANES ARE PUNISHING THE JAPS WITH THE VIGOROUS SUPPORT OF OUR GROUND ECHELONS. THE NATION IS THANKFUL FOR THE VICTORIES OF RECENT MONTHS FOR THE MAGNIFICENT WORK AND SACRIFICES OF THE MEN IN THE FIELD. THE PEOPLE ARE VERY PROUD OF THE ARMY AND THEY HAVE GREAT CONFIDENCE IN ITS ABILITY TO CRUSH THE ENEMY FINAL RESISTANCE. THIS CHRISTMAS MESSAGE GOES TO EVERY MAN AND WOMAN IN THE SERVICE WITH MY PERSONAL THANKS FOR WHAT EACH OF YOU IS DOING FOR THE HONOR AND SECURITY OF AMERICANS AND FOR THE LIBERATION OF DEPRESSED PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. I AM AWARE OF THE HARDSHIPS AND HAZARDS THAT ARE YOUR DAILY PORTION AND I AM CONSCIOUS OF THE PRICE YOU PAY FOR EVERY VICTORY. MAY THE LORD WATCH OVER YOU AND MAY YOU FIND WHEREVER YOU ARE SOME CHEER IN THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON"

GENERAL MARSHALL, CHIEF OF STAFF.

For the Commanding Officer:

LEONARD E. CHOATE,  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
Acting Adjutant.

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379th Bombardment Squadron (M)  
310th Bombardment Group (M) AAF  
A.P.O. 650

25 December 1944

SUBJECT: Christmas Message.

TO : All Personnel.

Christmas of this year finds all of us together again, and once more our thoughts turn to the true meaning of Christmas and our loved ones at home.

I can not help but think back over the past year at this time, and as I do my heart swells with Organizational pride at the hard work and achievements of the men in this Squadron.

It is with heartfelt sincerity that I extend to all of you my best wishes for a very Merry Christmas.

M. J. WETZEL,  
Lt. Col., Air Corps,  
Commanding.

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HEADQUARTERS, 57th BOMB WING  
Photo Interpretation Section

26 December 1944

SUBJECT: Bomb Strike Photographs.

TO : A.C. of S, A-2, 57th Bomb Wing, APO 650, U.S. Army.

1. The attached photograph was made by an alert photographer of 310 Bomb Group on 22 December, when a formation was detailed to attack Pordenone Rail Bridge. It is a very clear photograph of good scale showing a new rail diversion bridge 390 yards north of Motta di Livenza Rail Bridge. It was seen to be completed since 11 December, when photographs taken by 340 Group showed that construction on the bridge itself had not yet been started.

2. This photograph furnished the first information available to this headquarters regarding the completion of the bridge. Additional prints were made from the negative and were forwarded immediately to all Groups of this Wing. On the basis of information obtained from the print, the bridge was scheduled as a target for 340 Group.

3. The efforts of unit photographers to obtain reconnaissance photographs enroute are proving to be worthwhile and their vigilance is praiseworthy.

/s/ C. W. Swearingen  
/t/ C. W. SWEARINGEN  
Capt., A. C.,  
Photo Interpretation.

1st Ind.

HEADQUARTERS 57TH BOMB WING, APO 650, U. S. Army, 28 Dec. 1944.  
TO: Commanding Officer, 310th Bomb Group, APO 650, U.S. Army.

It is desired to commend the alertness of the photographer on this mission.

By command of Brigadier General KNAPP:

/s/ J. H. Patterson  
/t/ J. H. PATTERSON,  
Major, Air Corps,  
Adjutant.

2nd Ind.

HEADQUARTERS 310th BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF, APO 650, 3 Jan. 1945.  
TO: Pfc Bernard B. Barrett, 379th Bomb Squadron, 310th Bomb Gp. (M)

I desire to add my commendation for your initiative and

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alertness in photographing this potential medium bombardment target. If such targets are destroyed quickly, our part in this war will soon be over.

PETER H. REMINGTON,  
Colonel, Air Corps,  
Commanding.

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SECTION VI...

AWARDS

and

DECORATIONS...



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HEADQUARTERS TENTH AIR FORCE

APO 650

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SECTION II - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK-LEAF CLUSTER THERETO \*

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak-Leaf Cluster thereto, in the categories listed, is awarded to the following named personnel, 310th Bombardment Group (M), Air Corps, United States Army, assignment and residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement while participating in an attack upon a railroad bridge at Chivasso, Italy on 3 September 1944, which resulted in heavy damage to the bridge, thereby blocking a vital link in enemy communication and supply lines. The professional skill and devotion to duty displayed by each crew member reflect highest credit upon the Military Service of the United States.

SIXTH CLUSTER

LLOYD D. GRAY, 0750376, 1st Lt, Pilot. Martinsferry, Ohio.

RICHARD C. KING, 0815351, 1st Lt, Pilot. Decatur, Ind.

2. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal, in the categories listed, is awarded to the following named personnel, 310th Bombardment Group (M), Air Corps, United States Army, assignment and residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement while participating in an attack upon enemy gun positions at San Lucia, Italy on 9 September 1944, which resulted in the destruction of or damage to many guns and other vital military installations. The professional skill and devotion to duty displayed by each crew member reflect highest credit upon the Military Service of the United States.

SECOND CLUSTER

FRANK G. UERLING, 0774442, 2d Lt, Co-pilot. Hastings, Nebr.

SIXTH CLUSTER

WILSON O. BARNES, 0697613, 1st Lt, Co-pilot. Bath, N. Y.

JOHN L. DILLON, III, 01683395, 1st Lt, Bombardier. Kingston, Pa.

CHARLES B. ROBINSON, 0402702, 1st Lt, Bombardier. Houston, Tex.

STEVE GAICH, 33305542, S/Sgt, Tail Gunner. Cambridge, Pa.

SEVENTH CLUSTER

ROBERT H. REDDICK, 0750458, 1st Lt, Pilot. Beatrice, Nebr.

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FINIS G. SCHELL, 0765530, 1st Lt, Bombardier. Owasso, Okla.  
 MARCUS E. BORING, 14109251, T/Sgt, Radio Gunner. Alcoa, Tenn.  
 JOHN R. MCNALLY, JR, 15195426, T/Sgt, Radio Gunner. Cincinnati, Ohio.  
 VITOLD D. GIBBS, 31019985, S/Sgt, Tail Gunner. N. Andover, Mass.  
 ROY E. LANE, 39124730, S/Sgt, Turret Gunner. Fort Bragg, Calif.

EIGHTH CLUSTER

WILLIAM G. DAVIDSON, 0759425, 1st Lt, Pilot. Newport, R. I.  
 RICHARD C. KING, 0815351, 1st Lt, Pilot. Decatur, Ind.  
 PHILIP P. MARCY, 0823412, 1st Lt, Co-pilot. Glassmere, Pa.  
 ROBERT H. PORTER, 0765065, 1st Lt, Pilot. Los Angeles, Calif.  
 EARL A. LECHE, 01683398, 2d Lt, Bombardier. Wilkes-Barre, Pa.  
 EVERETT A. BRITTON, 32488144, T/Sgt, Radio Gunner, Wilmington, Del.  
 IRA T. FINLEY, JR, 38406819, S/Sgt, Tail Gunner. Duncan, Okla.  
 LAWRENCE J. LE BOEUF, 12201587, S/Sgt, Turret Gunner. Ogdensburg, N. Y.

NINTH CLUSTER

ROBERT A. HAEHLIP, JR., 0765438, 1st Lt, Bombardier. Oak City, N. C.  
 ARNOLD KOLKS, 32821927, T/Sgt, Radio Gunner. Bronx, N. Y.

TENTH CLUSTER

LARVIN F. CREAMER, 34688092, S/Sgt, Tail Gunner. Macon, Ga.

5. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak-Leaf Cluster thereto, in the categories listed, is awarded to the following named personnel, 310th Bombardment Group (M), Air Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in an attack upon enemy communication lines and military installations, assignment, location, date and residence as indicated. The professional skill and devotion to duty displayed by each crew member reflect highest credit upon the Military Service of the United States.

AIR MEDAL

ARTHUR J. HOLMES, 36263224, Cpl, Bombardier. Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944. Superior, Minn.

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FIRST CLUSTER

WILLIAM K. GRANT, JR., 0799557, 1st Lt, Pilot. Orvieto, Italy on 30 April 1944. Kansas City, Mo.

FRANK G. UERLING, 0774442, 2d Lt, Co-pilot. Peschiera, Italy on 4 September 1944. Hastings, Nebr.

SECOND CLUSTER

WILLIAM K. GRANT, JR., 0799557, 1st Lt, Pilot. Pastena, Italy on 12 May 1944. Kansas City, Mo.

JOHN E. CARROLL, T2460, F/O, Bombardier. Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944. Maywood, Ill.

THIRD CLUSTER

WILLIAM K. GRANT, JR., 0799577, 1st Lt, Pilot. Frascati, Italy on 31 May 1944. Kansas City, Mo.

FOURTH CLUSTER

WILLIAM K. GRANT, JR., 0799577, 1st Lt, Pilot. Calafuria, Italy on 10 June 1944. Kansas City, Mo.

FIFTH CLUSTER

WILLIAM K. GRANT, JR., 0799577, 1st Lt, Pilot. Canneto, Italy on 14 June 1944. Kansas City, Mo.

SIXTH CLUSTER

CHARLES T. GILBO, 0815313, 1st Lt, Pilot. Polesella, Italy on 21 August 1944. Akron, Ohio

VITOLD D. GABYS, 31019985, S/Sgt, Tail Gunner. Peschiera, Italy on 4 September 1944. N. Andover, Mass.

ROBERT J. LOHEMANN, 32772162, S/Sgt, Radio Gunner. Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944. Orange, N. J.

JOSEPH S. FRUITT, 19200902, S/Sgt, Turret Gunner. Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944. Medford, Ore.

SEVENTH CLUSTER

ROBERT J. MITCHELLS, 0497096, Capt, Pilot. Rimini, Italy on 14 September 1944. Wenatchee, Wash.

WILSON O. BARNES, 0697618, 1st Lt, Co-pilot. Rimini, Italy on 18 September 1944. Bath, N. Y.

WILLIAM A. BARTOLO, 0693596, 1st Lt, Co-pilot. Rimini, Italy on 14 September 1944. Punxsutawney, Pa.

JOHN L. DILLON, III, 01683395, 1st Lt, Bombardier. Budrio, Italy on 16 September 1944. Kingston, Pa.

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THOMAS W. SMITH, 6951868, S/Sgt, Gunner, Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944.  
 Riverside, Calif.  
 per 1944. Denver, Colo.  
 LUTHE J. GIBBN, 17090240, S/Sgt, Turret Gunner, Rimini, Italy on 14 September  
 1944. Cincinnati, Ohio.  
 JOHN W. MC NALLY, JR, 15195726, P/Sgt, Radio Gunner, Budrio, Italy on 16 Sep-  
 1944. Alcoa, Tenn.  
 MANOUS E. BOWING, 14109251, P/Sgt, Radio Gunner, Budrio, Italy on 16 September  
 1944.  
 LLOYD D. GRAY, 0750376, 1st Lt, Pilot, San Lucie, Italy on 9 September 1944.  
 Martins Ferry, Ohio.  
 CHARLES E. GIBBO, 0815313, 1st Lt, Pilot, Peschiera, Italy on 4 September 1944.  
 Akron, Ohio.  
 JOHN T. DILLON, III, 0168395, 1st Lt, Bombardier, Rimini, Italy on 18 Septem-  
 ber 1944. Kingston, Pa.  
 ALFRED J. RATH, 0669108, Capt, Navigator, Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944.  
 Denton, Iowa.

EIGHTH CLUSTER

THOMAS W. SMITH, 6951868, S/Sgt, Tail Gunner, San Lucie, Italy on 9 September  
 1944. Riverside, Calif.  
 JOSEPH S. PHILLIP, 12200902, S/Sgt, Turret Gunner, Rimini, Italy on 18 September  
 1944. Medford, Ore.  
 CHARLES W. ANDRUM, 31372915, S/Sgt, Turret Gunner, Rimini, Italy on 14 Septem-  
 ber 1944. Lima, Conn.  
 JOE L. MITCHELL, 16040350, P/Sgt, Radio Gunner, Rimini, Italy on 14 September  
 1944. Mantua, Ill.  
 THOMAS GRAY, JR, 0823358, 2d Lt, Pilot, Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944.  
 Goldsboro, N.C.  
 JOSEPH F. LONGO, JR, 0760072, 1st Lt, Bombardier, Rimini, Italy on 14 September  
 1944. Henrieville, N. Y.  
 RICHARD C. KING, 0815351, 1st Lt, Pilot, Peschiera, Italy on 4 September 1944.  
 Decatur, Ind.  
 LLOYD D. GRAY, 0750376, 1st Lt, Pilot, Peschiera, Italy on 4 September 1944.  
 Martins Ferry, Ohio.

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EVERETT G. WALLERON, 32145782, S/Sgt, Tail Gunner. San Lucia, Italy on 9 September 1944. Bayonne, N. J.

NINTH CLUSTER

JOHN L. DILLON, III, 01683395, 1st Lt, Bombardier, Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944. Kingston, Pa.

CHARLES T. GILBO, 0815313, 1st Lt, Pilot. Rimini, Italy on 14 September 1944. Akron, Ohio.

LLOYD D. GRAY, 0750376, 1st Lt, Pilot. Budrio, Italy on 16 September 1944. Martinsferry, Ohio

EARL A. LEEER, 01683398, 1st Lt, Bombardier. Budrio, Italy on 16 September 1944. Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

ROBERT H. PORTER, 0765065, 1st Lt, Pilot. Rimini, Italy on 14 September 1944. Los Angeles, Calif.

MARCUS E. BORING, 14109251, T/Sgt, Radio Gunner. Rimini, Italy on 18 September 1944. Alcoa, Tenn.

JOHN R. MC NALLY, JR, 15195426, T/Sgt, Radio Gunner. Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944. Cincinnati, Ohio.

MATTHEW J. GREEN, 17090240, S/Sgt, Turret Gunner. Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944. Denver, Colo.

EVERETT G. WALLERON, 32145782, S/Sgt, Tail Gunner. Rimini, Italy on 14 September 1944. Bayonne, N. J.

TENTH CLUSTER

CHARLES T. GILBO, 0815313, 1st Lt, Pilot. Budrio, Italy on 16 September 1944. Akron, Ohio.

JAMES T. GORDON, JR, 01683396, 1st Lt, Pilot. Rimini, Italy on 14 September 1944. Hobart, Okla.

LLOYD D. GRAY, 0750376, 1st Lt, Pilot. Rimini, Italy on 18 September 1944. Martinsferry, Ohio.

ROBERT H. PORTER, 0765075, 1st Lt, Pilot. Budrio, Italy on 16 September 1944. Los Angeles, Calif.

PAUL E. ROVL, 0810226, 1st Lt, Pilot. San Lucia, Italy on 9 September 1944. Center Ossipee, N. H.

MARCUS E. BORING, 14109251, T/Sgt, Radio Gunner. Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944. Alcoa, Tenn.

ARNOLD KOLIKS, 32821927, T/Sgt, Radio Gunner. Rimini, Italy on 14 September 1944. Bronx, N. Y.

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EVERETT G. WALDRON, 32145782, S/Sgt, Tail Gunner. Budrio, Italy on 16 September 1944. Bayonne, N. J.

ELEVENTH CLUSTER

JAMES T. GORDON, JR., 01683396, 1st Lt, Pilot. Budrio, Italy on 16 September 1944. Hobart, Okla.

PAUL E. ROVA, 0810226, 1st Lt, Pilot. Budrio, Italy on 16 September 1944. Center Ossipee, N. H.

ARNOLD KOLKS, 32821927, T/Sgt, Radio Gunner. Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944. Bronx, N. Y.

EVERETT G. WALDRON, 32145782, S/Sgt, Tail Gunner. Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944. Bayonne, N. Y.

TWELFTH CLUSTER

PAUL E. ROVA, 0810226, 1st Lt, Pilot. Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944. Center Ossipee, N. H.

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By command of Major General CANNON:

CHARLES T. MYERS  
Brigadier General, USA  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Wm. L. Dick  
WILLIAM L. DICK  
Colonel, AGD  
Adjutant General

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*Philip M. Canale Jr.*  
PHILIP M. CANALE, JR.  
Captain, Air Corps

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2 December 1944.

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SECTION III - AWARDS OF DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS. \*

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Headquarters MATCUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded to the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, citation and residence as indicated:

ROBERT A. HAISLIP, JR., O-765438, First Lieutenant, 379th Bomb Squadron, 310th Bomb Group. For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as bombardier of a B-25 type aircraft. Throughout his long period of service, Lt. Haislip has distinguished himself through his courage and determination. Flying on more than fifty combat missions, his superior professional skill and resourcefulness have been of high inspiration to those serving with him. Participating as lead bombardier and lead navigator on numerous missions against vital enemy targets, his precision accuracy has contributed immeasurably to the success of his unit's outstanding achievements. His steadfast devotion to duty and outstanding proficiency in combat reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Oak City, N. C.

EARL A. LEGER, O-1683398, First Lieutenant, 379th Bomb Squadron, 310th Bomb Group. For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as bombardier of a B-25 type aircraft. Throughout his long period of service, Lt. Leger, has distinguished himself through his courage and determination. Flying on more than seventy combat missions, his superior professional skill and resourcefulness have been of high inspiration to those serving with him. Participating as lead bombardier and lead navigator on numerous missions against vital enemy targets, his precision accuracy has contributed immeasurably to the success of his unit's outstanding achievements. His selfless devotion to duty and outstanding proficiency in combat reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Wilkes-Barre, Penna.

WILLIAM R. SHELTON, JR., O-1100763, First Lieutenant, 379th Bomb Squadron, 310th Bomb Group. For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as pilot of a B-25 type aircraft. On 11 November 1944, Lt Shelton flew in an attack upon a railroad bridge at Casale Monferrato, Italy. Upon the approach to the target, intense anti-aircraft fire enveloped the formation wounding two members of his crew, destroying the hydraulic and electrical systems, and severing the aileron cables on the left wing of his aircraft. Courageously maintaining his crippled plane in formation for the devastating attack upon this vital objective, Lt. Shelton then piloted the shattered bomber back to base and effected a perfect emergency landing without further injury to his crew. His outstanding proficiency in combat and steadfast devotion to duty have reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

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By command of Major General CANNON:

CHARLES T. MYERS,  
Brigadier General, USA  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Wm. W. Dick  
WILLIAM W. DICK  
Colonel, AGD  
Adjutant General

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EXTRACT

SECTION I - AWARDS OF DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS (MISSING IN ACTION)

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross, is awarded to the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, who are missing in action, citation and next of kin as indicated.

BASIL C. TEMPLE, JR., 0765452, 1st Lt, 379th Bomb Squadron, 310th Bomb Group. For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as bombardier of a B-25 type aircraft. On 11 November 1944, Lt Temple flew as lead bombardier of a formation attacking a railroad bridge at Casale Monferrato, Italy. Upon the commencement of the bomb run, shell fragments from intense anti-aircraft fire destroyed one engine, shattered the nose compartment, and set fire to his airplane. Despite the crippled condition of his aircraft, Lt Temple, displaying utmost determination and professional skill, remained at his bombsight and guided his pilot on a perfect run over the objective. With all bombers releasing on his sightings, a compact bomb pattern covered the target area, heavily damaging the bridge, thereby blocking a vital link in enemy communication lines. Drawing away from the target, flames enveloped the B-25 and Lt Temple parachuted over enemy territory. His outstanding proficiency in combat and steadfast devotion to duty have reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Mrs. Rose M. Temple, (Mother), 5317 Cabanne Street, St. Louis, Mo.

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By command of Major General CANNON:

CHARLES T. MYERS  
Brigadier General, U.S.A.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Wm. W. Dick  
WILLIAM W. DICK  
Colonel, A.C.D.  
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Captain, Air Corps

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

4. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal, in the categories listed, is awarded to the following named personnel, 310th Bombardment Group (M), Air Corps, United States Army, assignment and residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement while participating in an attack upon a railroad bridge at Borgo Forte, Italy, on 1 October 1944, which resulted in heavy damage to the bridge, thereby blocking a vital link in enemy communication and supply lines. The professional skill and devotion to duty displayed by each crew member reflect great credit upon the Military Service of the United States:

FIRST CLUSTER

WESLEY W. SMITH, 0776427, 2d Lt, Co-pilot, Fullerton, Calif.

ARTHUR J. HOLMES, 36263224, Cpl, Bombardier. Superior, Wis.

THIRD CLUSTER

JOHN E. CARROLL, T2460, P/O, Bombardier. Haywood, Ill.

SEVENTH CLUSTER

ROBERT J. LOHRMANN, 32772162, T/Sgt, Radio Gunner. West Orange, N. J.

EIGHTH CLUSTER

JOSEPH S. PRUITT, 19200902, S/Sgt, Turret Gunner. Medford, Ore.

TENTH CLUSTER

MATTHEW J. GREEN, 17090240, S/Sgt, Turret Gunner. Denver, Colo.

ELEVENTH CLUSTER

LLOYD D. GRAY, 0750376, 1st Lt, Pilot. Martins Ferry, Ohio.

ROBERT H. PORTER, 0765065, 1st Lt, Pilot. Los Angeles, Calif.

MARCUS E. BORING, 14109251, T/Sgt, Radio Gunner. Alcoa, Tenn.

5. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak-Leaf Cluster thereto, in the categories listed, is awarded to the following named personnel, 310th Bombardment Group (M), Air Corps, United States Army,

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assignment and residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement while participating in an attack upon a railroad bridge at Enego, Italy, on 7 November 1944, which resulted in heavy damage to the bridge, thereby blocking a vital link in enemy communication and supply lines. The professional skill and devotion to duty displayed by each crew member reflect great credit upon the Military Service of the United States:

A I R M E D A L

HERMAN P. GREENGLAN, 0765483, 2d Lt, Bombardier. Brooklyn, N. Y.  
RALPH D. STEPHENS, 0715403, 2d Lt, Co-Pilot. Mobile, Ala.  
RALPH R. GEDDAN, T62216, F/O, Co-Pilot. Ogdensburg, N. Y.  
ALLEN E. MERRILL, 12072556, Sgt, Tail Gunner. Buffalo, N. Y.  
FRANK M. RAFF, 12165047, Cpl, Radio Gunner. Linden, N. J.  
MERVIN R. WEDEL, 37226180, Cpl, Turret Gunner. Newton, Kan.  
MORRIS J. WILLIAMSON, 39381690, Pfc, Radio Gunner. Haynesville, La.

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WILLIAM E. SHAFER, 35462164, T/Sgt, Turret Gunner. Dayton, Ohio.  
✓ JAMES V. CASCONI, 13041804, Cpl, Radio Gunner. Erie, Pa.

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ROBERT H. REDDICK, 0750458, 1st Lt, Pilot. Beatrice, Neb.

7. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq. MATCUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal and/or Oak-leaf Cluster thereto, in the categories listed, is awarded to the following named personnel, 310th Bombardment Group (M), Air Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in an attack upon enemy supply and communication lines and military installations; assignment, location date and residence as indicated. The professional skill and devotion to duty displayed by each crew member reflect highest credit upon the Military Service of the United States:

A I R M E D A L

NOAH T. SHIRLEY, JR, 0822973, 2d Lt, Co-Pilot. Porto San Pietro, Italy on 20 October 1944. Childress, Tex.

JAMES V. CASCONI, 13041804, Cpl, Radio Gunner. Donagliara, Italy, on 6 November 1944. Erie, Pa.

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JOHN A. SHAW, 0795838, 1st Lt, Pilot. Orvieto, Italy, on 30 April 1944. Des Moines, Iowa,

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NOAH T. SHIRLEY, JR, 0822973, 2d Lt, Co-Pilot. Donegliara, Italy, on 6 November 1944. Childress, Tex.

SECOND CLUSTER

JOHN A. SHAW, 0795836, 1st Lt, Pilot. Pastena, Italy, on 12 May 1944. Des Moines, Iowa.

THIRD CLUSTER

JOHN A. SHAW, 0795838, 1st Lt, Pilot. Frescati, Italy, on 31 May 1944. Des Moines, Iowa.

FOURTH CLUSTER

JOHN A. SHAW, 0795838, 1st Lt, Pilot. Calafuria, Italy, On 10 June 1944. Des Moines, Iowa.

FIFTH CLUSTER

JOHN A. SHAW, 0795838, 1st Lt, Pilot. Canneto, Italy on 14 June 1944. Des Moines, Iowa.

SIXTH CLUSTER

ALEXANDER E. SATLER, 0691294, Capt, Pilot. Pelesslla, Italy on 21 August 1944. Los Angeles, Calif.

SEVENTH CLUSTER

ALEXANDER E. SATLER, 0691294, Capt, Pilot. Rimini, Italy on 14 September 1944. Los Angeles, Calif.

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By command of Major General CANNON:

CHARLES T. MYERS  
Brigadier General, USA  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Wm. W. Dick  
WILLIAM W. DICK  
Colonel, AGD,  
Adjutant General

A TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

*Philip M. Canale Jr.*  
PHILIP M. CANALE, JR.  
Captain, Air Corps



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SECTION III - AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS (MISSING IN ACTION)

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, HQ MATOUSA, 19 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded to the following named officer, Air Corps, United States Army, who is missing in action, citation and next of kin as indicated.

SAMUEL C. SCHLITZKUS, 0728113, 1st Lt, 379th Bomb Squadron, 310th Bomb Group. For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as pilot of a B-25 type aircraft. On 5 June 1943, after completing a successful attack upon enemy military installations on the Island of Pantelleria, 1st Schlitzkus' formation was attacked by more than fifteen enemy fighters. In the ensuing battle, concentrated fire from three of the hostile planes wounded five members of 1st Schlitzkus' crew, destroyed the instrument panel, set fire to one engine and a wing fuel tank, and damaged the hydraulic system allowing the wheels to drop down. Realizing that he would be unable to reach the African mainland, 1st Schlitzkus ordered his crew to prepare for a crash landing and then maneuvered the shattered aircraft to a perfect landing on the water. Immediately extricating himself from the B-25, 1st Schlitzkus aided his wounded comrades in reaching a life raft from which they were rescued after floating three hours on the water. His selfless devotion to duty and outstanding proficiency in combat have reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Mrs. G. . Schlitzkus, (wife), 5600 Bryan Parkway, Dallas, Tex.

By command of Major General CARSON:

CHARLES T. MYERS  
Brigadier General, USA  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Wm. S. Dick  
WILLIAM S. DICK  
Colonel, AGC  
Adjutant General

A TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

  
 PHILIP M. CANALE, JR.  
 Captain, Air Corps

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SECTION II - AWARDS OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL (MIA)

Under the provisions of AF 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal, in the categories listed, is awarded to the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, who are missing in action, citation and next of kin as indicated:

SECOND CLUSTER

HARRY F. HASSMER, JR, 0775885, 2d Lt, 310th Bomb Gp. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight as co-pilot of a B-25 type aircraft in an attack upon enemy gun positions at San Lucia, Italy on 9 September 1944. The professional skill and devotion to duty displayed by Lt Hassmer reflect great credit upon the Military Service of the United States. Cornelia F. Hassmer, (Mother), 3763 N. Kostner St, Chicago, Ill.

SECTION III - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK-LEAF CLUSTER THEREFC.

2. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal, in the categories listed, is awarded to the following named personnel, 310th Bomb Group (M), Air Corps, United States Army, assignment and residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement while participating in an attack upon enemy troop and gun concentrations at Rimini, Italy on 18 September 1944, which resulted in many casualties to enemy personnel and the destruction of many vital guns. The professional skill and devotion to duty displayed by each crew member reflect great credit upon the Military Service of the United States:

FIRST CLUSTER

THEODORE J. JARMAN, 0559189, 1st Lt, Co-pilot. St Louis, Mo.

STANLEY R. MILEWSKY, 13169775, Sgt, Gunner, Pittsburgh, Pa.

JOHN R. VOLLEERS, JR, 12121343, Sgt, Turret Gunner. New York, N. Y.

SECOND CLUSTER

LESLIE M. DYSON, 0707027, 2d Lt, Navigator. Mansfield, La.

JOSEPH C. FISHER, JR, 0707882, 2d Lt, Navigator. Lakewood, Ohio

GEORGE P. PARRY, JR, 0828754, 2d Lt, Co-pilot. Brooklyn, N.Y.

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FIRST CLUSTER

WILLIAM A. HILL, 34198342, Sgt, Bombardier. Wilsonville, Ala.

SECOND CLUSTER

THEODORE J. JARMAN, 0559183, 1st Lt, Co-pilot. St Louis, Mo.

JOHN J. KOREN, 33619325, Sgt, Turret Gunner. Pottstown, Pa.

NORMAN L. LAWRENCE, 32698715, Sgt, Tail Gunner. Brooklyn, N. Y.

STANLEY R. MILEWSKY, 13169775, Sgt, Tail Gunner. Pittsburgh, Pa.

JOHN R. VOLLERS, JR, 12121343, Sgt, Turret Gunner. New York, N.Y.

JAMES F. HARRIS, 35790245, Cpl, Radio Gunner. Spring Valley, Ohio.

GEORGE PROUT, 32602820, Cpl, Bombardier. Allenhurst, N. Y.

THIRD CLUSTER

ROBERT J. CLEMENCE, 0675169, Co-pilot. Milford, Conn.

LESLIE M. DYSON, 0707027, 1st Lt, Navigator. Mansfield, La.

JOHN E. JONES, 0823382, 2d Lt, Co-pilot. Statesboro, Ga.

GEORGE P. PARRY, JR, 0828754, 2d Lt, Co-pilot. Brooklyn, N. Y.

THOMAS I. SMITH, 0815989, 2d Lt, Co-pilot. Columbia, S. C.

NORMAN A. VANCE, 0829345, 2d Lt, Co-pilot. Collins, N. Y.

FLOYD V. WELCH, 0776464, 2d Lt, Co-pilot. Portland, Ore.

WALTER T. OVERBY, 14059566, S/Sgt, Radio Gunner. Albany, Ga.

DANIEL FELDMAN, 12203316, Sgt, Tail Gunner. Keyport, N. J.

THOMAS D. HASTINGS, 32707871, Sgt, Radio Gunner. Bronx, N. Y.

LOUIS L. ODDENINO, 13144666, Sgt, Turret Gunner. Washington, D. C.

CASPER SPIESS, 36521188, Sgt, Tail Gunner. Saginaw, Mich

FOURTH CLUSTER

CHARLES D. LONG, 0765510, 1st Lt, Bombardier. Rusk, Tex.

RAYMOND E. FORSITH, 14103082, Sgt, Radio Gunner. Birmingham, Ala.

LEWIS GEHOPOLIS, 36411900, Sgt, Radio Gunner. Manistee, Mich.

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ROBERT C. HAYES, 13080882, Sgt, Turret Gunner. Pleasantville, N. J.

CLARENCE H. HELLAND, 37563227, Sgt, Tail Gunner. Bricelyn, Minn.

FIFTH CLUSTER

FRANK BOR, JR, 32454383, Sgt, Radio Gunner. New Brunswick, N. J.

LEWIS A. HOLLOWAY, 18124349, Sgt, Tail Gunner. Dallas, Tex.

MICHAEL R. ZAMPONI, 32763163, Sgt, Radio Gunner. Nutley, N. J.

SIXTH CLUSTER

ROBERT C. GEIKE, 37356262, S/Sgt, Tail Gunner. Harrison, Neb.

EIGHTH CLUSTER

WILSON O. BARNES, 0697618, 1st Lt, Co-pilot. Bath, N. Y.

WILLIAM A. BARTOLO, 0693596, 1st Lt, Co-pilot. Punxsutawney, Pa.

NINTH CLUSTER

WILLIAM G. DAVIDSON, 0759425, 1st Lt, Pilot. Newport, R. I.

LAWRENCE J. LEBOEUF, 12201587, S/Sgt, Turret Gunner. Ogdensburg, N.Y.

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By command of Major General CANNON:

CHARLES T. MYERS  
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OFFICIAL:

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The following Enlisted Men of the 379th Bomb Sqdn. (M) upon the recommendation of their organization commander, for exemplary behavior, efficiency, and fidelity, are awarded the Good Conduct Medal. Auth: AR 600-68.

T/Sgt. Potensky, John A.	Sgt. Merrill, Allen E.
S/Sgt. Comer, LeRoy A.	Sgt. Rosenhauer, Joseph F.
S/Sgt. Florence, Victor J.	Sgt. Simpson, Donald A.
S/Sgt. Harrell, Rupert R.	Cpl. Barleycorn, Arthur W.
S/Sgt. Holloway, Lewis A.	Cpl. Dolle, Roy L.
S/Sgt. Kirkpatrick, Lee W.	Cpl. Helms, Leonard E.
S/Sgt. LeBoeuf, Lawrence J.	Pfc. Banner, Thomas B.
S/Sgt. Mattola, Vincent F.	Pfc. Boyd, Aaron E.
S/Sgt. Mincy, Roy L.	Pfc. Duvall, C. H.
S/Sgt. Naszeyzniec, Stanley E.	Pfc. Smith, Walter H.
S/Sgt. Overby, Walter T.	Pfc. Zielinski, Joseph M.
S/Sgt. Specht, Harold (NMI)	Pvt. Glazer, Leon E.
S/Sgt. Stachowski, Arnold D.	Pvt. Huggins, Charles A.
S/Sgt. Zamponi, Michael R.	Pvt. Rysavy, Laddie (NMI)
Sgt. Bor, Frank (NMI) Jr.	Pvt. Taub, Clayton (NMI)
Sgt. Best, William J.	Sgt. Oddenino, Louis L.
Sgt. Doeberl, Edward J.	Sgt. Seabolt, Eugene W.
Sgt. Feldman, Daniel (NMI)	Sgt. Vollers, John R. Jr.
Sgt. Flint, Frank H.	Cpl. Boccock, Holland A.
Sgt. Forsyth, Raymond E.	Cpl. Harvey, Arch C., Jr.
Sgt. Gehopolas, Lewis (NMI)	Cpl. Thompson, Theo V.
Sgt. Greenfield, John T.	Pfc. Barrett, Bernard B.
Sgt. Harris, James F.	Pfc. Cook, Frederick W.
Sgt. Hayes, Robert C.	Pfc. Pardue, Harvey H.
Sgt. Helland, Clarence H.	Pfc. Williamson, Morris J.
Sgt. Koren, John J.	Pvt. Cserer, Victor S.
Sgt. Lawrence, Norman L.	Pvt. Heisner, Walter J.
Sgt. Lennox, Alfred I.	Pvt. Husted, John B.
	Pvt. Stevenson, George M.

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SECTION V - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL:

2. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man, Air Corps, United States Army, residence as indicated, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations in the European and Mediterranean Theaters of Operations between 28 September 1942 and 31 March 1943.

WALTER B. MOELLER, 18017495, m Sgt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. Safford, Ariz.

3. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel, United States Army, residence as indicated, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations in the Middle East and Mediterranean Theaters of Operations between the dates as indicated:

POWELL DILLEHAY, 18064585, T Sgt, AC, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. 1 November to 1 October 1944. Waxahachie, Tex.

5. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, residence as indicated, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations between the dates as indicated:

JOHN R. SWENSON, 17036678, M Sgt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. 1 September 1943 to 1 March 1944. Minneapolis, Minn

ANDREW S. BOTKO, 17036819, T Sgt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. 1 May 1943 to 1 October 1944. Minneapolis, Minn.

EDWARD S. DAVIS, 13042710, T Sgt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. 1 May 1943 to 1 October 1944. North Arlington, Va.

CARL S. PLANT, 38084975, S Sgt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. 1 January 1943 to 15 May 1943. Pueblo, Colo.

RAYMOND R. STOLTE, 37135104, Sgt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. 1 November 1943 to 1 March 1944. Hannibal, Mo.

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SECTION III - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK-LEAF CLUSTER THEREON.

3. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Headquarters MATCUSA, 10 July 1944, the Air Medal or Oak-Leaf Cluster thereon, in the categories listed, is awarded to the following named personnel, 310th Bombardment Group (M), Air Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in an attack upon enemy supply and communication lines and military installations; assignment, location, date and residence as indicated. The professional skill and devotion to duty displayed reflect highest credit upon the Military Service of the United States:

AIR MEDAL

JAMES R. GREEN, 14131146, Sgt, Radio Gunner. Faenza, Italy on 22 November 1944. Biltmore, N. C.

FIRST CLUSTER

JOHN H. RENNELS, O-822809, 2nd Lt., Co-pilot. Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944. Moose Lake, Minn.

DANIEL E. SACHS, O-828781, 2nd Lt., Co-pilot. Enego, Italy on 7 November 1944. Scarsdale, N. Y.

RALPH R. GEDBAE, T-62216, F/O, Co-pilot. Campolongo, Italy on 9 November 1944. Ogdensburg, N. Y.

ALLEN E. MERRILL, 12072556, Sgt, Tail Gunner. Campolongo, Italy on 9 November 1944. Buffalo, N. Y.

SECOND CLUSTER

DANIEL E. SACHS, O-828781, 2nd Lt., Co-pilot. Campolongo, Italy on 9 November 1944. Scarsdale, N. Y.

WESLEY W. SMITH, O-776427, 2nd Lt, Co-pilot. Domogliara, Italy on 6 November 1944. Fullerton, Calif.

ARTHUR J. HOLMES, 36263224, Cpl, Bombardier. Domogliara, Italy on 6 November 1944. Superior, Wis.

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THIRD CLUSTER

JOSEPH C. FISHER, JR., O-707882, 1st Lt., Navigator, San Pietro, Italy on 20 October 1944. Lakewood, Ohio.

WESLEY W. SMITH, O-776427, 2nd Lt, Co-pilot. Enge, Italy on 7 November 1944. Fullerton, Calif.

JAMES F. HARRIS, 35790245, Sgt, Radio Gunner. Borgo Forto, Italy on 1 October 1944. Spring Valley, Ohio.

JOHN J. KOREN, 33619325, Sgt, Turret Gunner. Enge, Italy on 7 November 1944. Pottstown, Pa.

NORMAN L. LAWRENCE, 32698715, Sgt, Tail Gunner, Enge, Italy on 7 November 1944. Brooklyn, N. Y.

GEORGE PROUT, 32698715, Cpl, Bombardier. San Pietro, Italy on 20 October 1944. Allenhurst, N. Y.

FOURTH CLUSTER

WALTER T. OVERBY, 14059366, S/Sgt, Radio Gunner. San Pietro, Italy on 20 October 1944. Albany, Ga.

DANIEL FELDMAN, 12203316, Sgt, Tail Gunner, San Pietro, Italy on 20 October 1944. Keyport, N. J.

LOUIS L. DEENINO, 13144666, Sgt, Turret Gunner. Borgo Forte, Italy on 1 October 1944. Washington, D. C.

CASPER SPIESS, JR., 36521188, Sgt, Tail Gunner. Borgo Forte, Italy on 1 October 1944. Saginaw, Mich.

FIFTH CLUSTER

CHARLES D. LONG, O-765510, 1st Lt., Bombardier. San Pietro, Italy on 20 October 1944. Rusk, Tex.

ROBERT C. HLYES, 13080882, Sgt, Turret Gunner. San Pietro, Italy on 20 October 1944. Pleasantville, N. J.

SIXTH CLUSTER

WILLIAM K. GRANT, JR., O-799557, 1st Lt., Pilot. Carsarsa, Italy on 10 November 1944. Kansas City, Mo.

WALTER S. STOKER, O-712245, 1st Lt., Bombardier. San Lucia, Italy on 9 September 1944. Paterson, N. J.

LEROY A. COMER, 33724609, S/Sgt, Tail Gunner. San Lucia, Italy on 9 September 1944. Stanley, Va.

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LEONARD R. KUSCHEL, 16046916, S/Sgt, Tail Gunner, Enege, Italy on 7 November 1944. Clintenville, Wis.

VINCENT F. MITTOLA, 33597361, S/Sgt, Turret Gunner. San Lucia, Italy on 9 September 1944. Philadelphia, Pa.

SEVENTH CLUSTER

ELLIS J. McKANNA, O-753386, Capt, Pilot. Borgo Forte, Italy on 1 October 1944. Newton, Kan.

ALBERT F. HOCKNELL, JR., O-1920322, 1st Lt, Bombardier. San Lucia, Italy on 9 September 1944. Dorchester, Mass.

EDWARD A. McCAFFERTY, O-703394, 1st Lt., Bombardier. San Pietro, Italy on 20 October 1944. Norwood, Ohio.

LEONARD R. JUSCHEL, 16046916, S/Sgt, Tail Gunner. Campolongo, Italy on 9 November 1944. Clintenville, Wis.

EIGHTH CLUSTER

WILLIAM C. HUGHES, O-791696, Major, Pilot. Enege, Italy on 7 November 1944. Altavista, Va.

FINIS G. SCHELL, O-765530, 1st Lt, Bombardier, Galliate, Italy on 30 September 1944. Owasse, Okla.

THOMAS GRAY, JR., O-823358, 2nd Lt, Pilot. San Pietro, Italy on 20 October 1944. Goldsboro, Md.

ROBERT J. LOHRMANN, 32772162, T/Sgt, Radio Gunner. Domogliara, Italy on 6 November 1944. West Orange, N. J.

ROY E. LANE, 39124730, S/Sgt, Turret Gunner. Demegliara, Italy on 6 November 1944. Fort Bragg, Calif.

NINTH CLUSTER

WALTER J. RATH, O-669108, Capt., Navigator, Carsarsa, Italy on 10 November 1944. Denison, Iowa.

ROBERT H. REDDICK, O-750458, 1st Lt, Pilot. Campolongo, Italy on 9 November 1944. Beatrice, Neb.

THOMAS GRAY, JR.; O-823358, 2nd Lt, Pilot. Enege, Italy on 7 November 1944. Goldsboro, Md.

TENTH CLUSTER

JOHN L. DILLON, III, O-1683395, 1st Lt., Bombardier. San Pietro, Italy on 20 October 1944. Kingston, Pa.

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ELEVENTH CLUSTER

THOMAS F. CONWAY, O-733149, Capt., Bombardier. San Pietro, Italy on 20 October 1944. New Rochelle, N. Y.

By command of Major General CANNON:

CHARLES T. MYERS  
Brigadier General, USA  
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OFFICIAL:

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SECTION VII - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

5. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 39, Headquarters NATOUA, 10 July 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, residence as indicated, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations between the dates as indicated:

GEORGE H. GREGORY, 19062636, T/Sgt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. 1 June 1943 to 1 March 1944. Chewchilla, Calif.

NORVIN H. HARRIS, 18069210, T/Sgt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. 1 January 1943 to 1 October 1944. Roscoe, Calif.

CLYNE J. JOHNSON, 6542874, T/Sgt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. 1 August 1943 to 15 March 1944. Idaho Falls, Idaho.

ORVILLE W. BLOSSER, 35175492, S/Sgt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. 1 February 1944 to 20 September 1944. Middlebury, Miss.

VANCE B. REED, 33270726, Sgt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. 1 July 1944 to 31 August 1944. Fairmont City, Pa.

ANGELL H. TEDESCO, 39386368, Cpl, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. 17 February 1943 to 22 February 1943. Portland, Ore.

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By command of Major General CANNON:

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Wm. W. Dick  
WILLIAM W. DICK  
Colonel, AGD  
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SECTION I - AWARDS OF SILVER STAR (MISSING IN ACTION)

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, who are missing in action, citation and next of kin as indicated.

LAVERLE T. HACKING, 0761663, 1st Lt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. For gallantry in action. On 11 November 1944, Lt Hacking led a twenty-four plane formation in an attack upon a railroad bridge at Casale Monferrato, Italy. Upon the commencement of the bomb run, shell fragments from intense anti-aircraft fire heavily damaged his airplane. Displaying great courage and determined leadership in the face of this accurate barrage, Lt Hacking maintained his crippled plane in the lead position for a perfect run over the objective. With all bombers releasing on the lead plane, a devastating bomb pattern covered the target area damaging the bridge, thereby blocking a vital link in enemy communication lines. Realizing that he would be unable to reach friendly territory when his shattered aircraft rapidly lost speed and altitude, turning off the bomb run, Lt. Hacking ordered the plane abandoned. Then selflessly remaining at the controls until all members of his crew had parachuted safely, Lt Hacking escaped with his own life just before the B-25 crashed behind enemy lines. His gallant devotion to duty and outstanding proficiency in combat reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Mr. Thomas W. Hacking (Father), Cedar Valley, Utah.

CONSTANTINE MITCHELL, 0702138, 1st Lt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. For gallantry in action. On 11 November 1944, Lt Mitchell flew as lead navigator of a twenty-four plane formation attacking a railroad bridge at Casale Monferrato, Italy. Displaying great courage and superior professional skill, Lt Mitchell guides his pilot over heavily defended enemy territory directly to the initial point. Upon the commencement of the bomb run shell fragments from intense anti-aircraft fire heavily damaged his aircraft. Selflessly assisting his bombardier in setting course for a perfect run over the objective in the face of this accurate barrage, Lt Mitchell enabled the bombers to register many direct hits, heavily damaging the bridge, thereby blocking a vital link in enemy communication lines. Drawing away from the target, his pilot ordered the crew to abandon the shattered aircraft and Lt Mitchell parachuted safely behind enemy lines. His gallant devotion to duty and outstanding proficiency in combat reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Mrs. George Mitchell (mother), 575 Bank St, New London, Conn.

SECTION II - AWARDS OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq NATOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Silver Star is awarded

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to the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, citation and residence as indicated:

FINIS G. SCHELL, 0765530, 1st Lt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. For gallantry in action. On 11 November 1944, Lt Schell flew in an attack upon a railroad bridge at Casale Monferrato, Italy. Upon the commencement of the bomb run, shell fragments from accurate anti-aircraft fire seriously wounded Lt Schell in the neck and destroyed the bomb release mechanism on his aircraft. Although bleeding profusely and suffering intense pain, Lt Schell courageously remained at his position in a futile effort to salvo the bombs. When all other attempts to effect the release of the bombs failed, Lt Schell selflessly removed his parachute and lowered himself into the bomb bay. With another crew member holding him suspended by his legs, Lt Schell, with the aid of a crash axe, pried loose the four 1000 pound bombs and they fell harmlessly from the airplane. His gallant devotion to duty and outstanding proficiency in combat reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Owasso, Okla.

#### SECTION IV - AWARDS OF DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROCS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq MATCUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded to the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, citation and residence as indicated:

ROBERT J. FITZSIMMONS, 0497096, Capt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as pilot of a B-25 type aircraft. On 11 November 1944, Capt Fitzsimmons flew as flight leader in a large formation attacking a railroad bridge at Casale Monferrato, Italy. Displaying great courage and superior flying ability as he skillfully maneuvered through intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire upon the approach to the target Capt Fitzsimmons' perfect run over the objective enabled his bombers to release their bombs with devastating effect upon this vital bridge. Then taking over command of the bombers when a direct hit from enemy ground fire destroyed the lead plane, Capt Fitzsimmons maintained perfect flight control and returned the B-25's safely to base. His outstanding proficiency in combat and steadfast devotion to duty have reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Wenatchee, Wash.

WILLIAM K. GRANT, JR, 0799557, 1st Lt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as pilot of a B-25 type aircraft. On 24 May 1944, Lt Grant flew in an attack upon a railroad bridge at Arezzo, Italy. Upon the approach to the target, shell fragments from intense anti-aircraft fire heavily damaged his airplane. Displaying great courage and superior flying ability in the face of this accurate barrage, Lt Grant maintained his crippled plane in perfect formation, thereby enabling his bombardier to release his bombs with devastating effect upon this vital objective. On more than fifty-five combat missions, his outstanding proficiency and steadfast devotion to duty have reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Kansas City, Mo.

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EDWARD M. McCAFFERTY, 0703394, 1st Lt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as bombardier of a B-25 type aircraft. On 11 November 1944, Lt McCafferty flew as lead bombardier of a formation attacking a railroad bridge at Casale Monferrato, Italy. Upon the approach to the target, intense anti-aircraft fire enveloped the formation destroying one bomber and damaging many others. Displaying superior professional skill and determination in the face of this accurate barrage, Lt McCafferty guided his pilot on a perfect run over the objective. With all bombardiers releasing on his sightings, a devastating bomb pattern covered the target area, destroying the bridge, thereby blocking a vital link in enemy communication lines. His outstanding proficiency and steadfast devotion to duty have reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Norwood, Ohio.

ALEXANDER McSTEE, 0823911, 1st Lt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as bombardier of a B-25 type aircraft. On 11 November 1944, Lt McStee flew in an attack upon a railroad bridge at Casale Monferrato, Italy. Upon the approach to the target, shell fragments from intense anti-aircraft fire heavily damaged his airplane. Displaying great courage and superior flying ability in the face of this heavy barrage, Lt McStee maintained his crippled plane on course, thereby enabling his bombardier to release his bombs with devastating effect upon this vital objective. Observing his leader falling behind formation, drawing away from the target, Lt McStee immediately dropped back and escorted the stricken bomber until all members of the crew had parachuted safely. His outstanding proficiency in combat and steadfast devotion to duty have reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Swissvale, Pa.

ROBERT H. PORTER, 0765065, 1st Lt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as pilot of a B-25 type aircraft. On 4 November 1944, Lt Porter flew in an attack upon a road and railroad bridge at Magenta, Italy. Upon the commencement of the bomb run, shell fragments from intense anti-aircraft fire heavily damaged his aircraft. Courageously maintaining his crippled plane in perfect formation, Lt Porter enabled his bombardier to release his bombs with devastating effect upon this vital objective. Then skillfully maneuvering in a vigorous evasive action when enemy ground fire continued to track the bomb, drawing away from the target, Lt Porter piloted his shattered plane to base and effected a safe landing. On more than fifty-five combat missions, his outstanding proficiency and steadfast devotion to duty have reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Los Angeles, Calif.

WAYNE D. HITCOMB, 0741818, 1st Lt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as navigator of a B-25 type aircraft. On 15 August 1944, Lt Hitcomb flew as lead navigator of a large formation attacking enemy defense positions at Anthoer, France. Taking off under cover of darkness, Lt Hitcomb, displaying superior professional skill and resourcefulness, guided his pilot directly to the initial point. Then aiding his bombardier in setting course for the bomb run through a partial overcast, Lt Hitcomb enabled the bombers to cover this vital target area with a devastating bomb pattern. On more than sixty combat missions, his outstanding

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proficiency and steadfast devotion to duty have reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Lexington, Ky.

THOMAS GRAY, JR., 0823358, 2d Lt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as pilot of a B-25 type aircraft. On 11 November 1944, Lt Gray flew in an attack upon a railroad bridge at Casale Monferrato, Italy. Upon the approach to the target, shell fragments from intense anti-aircraft fire heavily damaged his airplane. Displaying great courage and superior flying ability in the face of this accurate barrage, Lt Gray maintained his crippled plane on course, thereby enabling his bombardier to release his bombs with precision accuracy upon this vital objective. Unable to stay in formation drawing away from the target, Lt Gray piloted his stricken bomber without escort over heavily defended enemy territory safely to base. On more than fifty combat missions, his outstanding proficiency and steadfast devotion to duty have reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Goldsboro, N. C.

SECTION V - AWARDS OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq NMTUSA, 10 July 1944, the Oak-Leaf Cluster (First cluster) in lieu of the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded to the following named personnel, Air Corps, United States Army, citation and residence as indicated:

VINCENT S. HINEMAN, JR, 0822431, 1st Lt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as pilot of a B-25 type aircraft. On 11 November 1944, Lt Haneman flew in an attack upon a railroad bridge at Casale Monferrato, Italy. Upon the approach to the target, shell fragments from intense anti-aircraft fire heavily damaged his aircraft. Courageously maintaining his crippled plane in formation in the face of this accurate barrage, Lt Haneman enabled his bombardier to release his bombs with devastating effect upon this vital objective. On more than fifty-five combat missions, his outstanding proficiency and steadfast devotion to duty have reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Brigantine, N. J.

ROBERT H. REDDICK, 0750458, 1st Lt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as pilot of a B-25 type aircraft. On 11 November 1944, Lt Reddick flew in an attack upon a railroad bridge at Casale Monferrato, Italy. Upon the approach to the target, shell fragments from intense anti-aircraft fire destroyed the right vertical stabilizer and heavily damaged the engine on his aircraft. Displaying great courage and superior flying ability in the face of this accurate barrage, Lt Reddick maintained his crippled plane on course, thereby enabling his bombardier to release his bombs with precision accuracy upon this vital objective. Then skillfully piloting the shattered bomber to base, Lt Reddick effected a perfect landing without further damage to his aircraft or injury to his crew. On more than sixty combat missions, his outstanding proficiency and steadfast devotion to duty have reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Beatrice, Neb.

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JAMES T. GORDON, JR, 01689396, 2d Lt, 379th Bomb Sq, 310th Bomb Gp. For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as pilot of a B-25 type aircraft. On 11 November 1944, Lt Gordon flew in an attack upon a railroad bridge at Cascio Inferrate, Italy. Upon the approach to the target, shell fragments from intense anti-aircraft fire heavily damaged his airplane. Courageously maintaining his crippled plane in formation in the face of this accurate barrage, Lt Gordon enabled his bombardier to release his bombs with precision accuracy upon this vital objective. On more than sixty combat missions, his outstanding proficiency and steadfast devotion to duty have reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Hobart, Okla.

By command of Major General CANNON:

CHARLES T. MYERS  
Brigadier General, USA  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/ W. A. Dick  
WILLIAM A. DICK  
Colonel, ASD  
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SECTION III - AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL AND/OR OAK-LEAF CLUSTER THERE TO \*

2. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 89, Hq NITOUSA, 10 July 1944, the Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal, in the categories listed, is awarded to the following named personnel, 310th Bombardment Group (M), Air Corps, United States Army, assignment and residence as indicated, for meritorious achievement while participating in an attack upon an enemy troop and gun concentration at Rimini, Italy on 18 September 1944, which resulted in many casualties to personnel and the destruction of or damage to a number of guns and other vital military installations. The professional skill and devotion to duty displayed by each crew member reflect highest credit upon the Military Service of the United States.

FIRST CLUSTER

JOHN E. CARROLL, t2460, F/O, Bombardier. Maywood, Ill.  
JOHN J. KOREN, 33619325, Sgt, Turret Gunner. Pottstown, Pa.  
JAMES F. HARRIS, 35790245, Radio Gunner. Spring Valley, Ohio.  
GEORGE PROUT, 32602820, Cpl, Bombardier, Allenhurst, N. Y.

SECOND CLUSTER

ROBERT J. CLEMENCE, 0675169, 2d Lt, Co-pilot. Milford, Conn.  
THOMAS I. SMITH, 0815989, 2d Lt, Co-pilot. Columbia, S. C.  
FLOYD V. WELCH, 0776464, 2d Lt, Co-pilot. Portland, Ore.  
LOUIS L. ODDENINO, 13144666, Sgt, Turret Gunner. Washington, D. C.  
CASPER SPIESS, 3651188, Sgt, Tail Gunner. Saginaw, Mich.

THIRD CLUSTER

JOHN M. FORD, 0759751, 1st Lt, Co-pilot. Houston, Tex.  
CHARLES D. LONG, 0765510, 2d Lt, Bombardier. Rusk, Tex.  
RAYMOND E. FORSYTH, 14103082, Sgt, Radio Gunner. Birmingham, Ala.

SIXTH CLUSTER

THOMAS GRAY, JR., 0823358, 2d Lt, Pilot. Goldsboro, Md.

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TENTH CLUSTER

THOMAS F. CONWAY, 0733149, Capt, Bombardier. New Rochelle, N. Y.

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2. Pursuant to authority contained in Circular 55, U. S. Army Forces, China, Burma and India, dated 29 May 1944, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, the DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS is hereby awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men of the \* \* \* Bombardment Group (M) for extraordinary achievement in aerial flight. During the periods shown they participated in more than 200 hours of combat flight against the enemy in the China, Burma, India Theater, flying through the adverse weather and over the inadequately mapped, mountainous terrain of this region. Because of the teamwork and cooperation shown by these medium bomber combat crew members in their missions, heavy destruction and damage have been wrought upon the enemy. They are credited with destroying enemy installations, shipping, land transportation facilities and troops. Their accomplishments reflect highest credit upon themselves and upon the Army Air Forces.

WILLIAM E. SHAFER, 35462164, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, Radio Operator-Gunner. 28 March 1943 to 18 September 1943. Home address: Rural Route #2, Waynesville, Ohio.

10. Pursuant to authority contained in Circular 55, U. S. Army Forces, China, Burma and India, dated 29 May 1944, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, the OAK-LEAF CLUSTER to the AIR MEDAL is hereby awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men of the \* \* \* Bombardment Group (M) for meritorious achievement in aerial flight. Flying as crew members of medium bombardment aircraft they have participated in more than 300 hours of combat flight against the enemy over China, Burma, Indo-China and Thailand. Although the enemy had numerically superior forces against them they performed their assigned tasks with cool courage and skill. Enemy fire was encountered and they flew over mountainous, poorly mapped territory, and through adverse weather, helping to inflict heavy damage to enemy bases, supply concentrations, transportation facilities and equipment. Their accomplishments reflect great credit upon themselves and upon the Army Air Forces.

WILLIAM E. SHAFER, 35462164, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, Radio Operator-Gunner. 28 March 1943 to 6 December 1943. Home address: Rural Route #2. Waynesville, Ohio.

/s/ C. L. Chennault  
C. L. CHENNAULT  
Major General, U.S.A.,  
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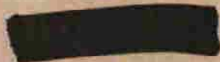
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SECTION VII....

SPECIAL ITEMS...



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Orientation lectures and discussions were held on Wednesday evenings in the enlisted men's Day Room...these constituted a great part of the Educational program organized in the Squadron by Capt. Philip M. Canale Jr., and 1st Lt. David M. Cohen... The program for the month of December was as follows:

1. C.B.I. Theatre...the guest speaker was Lt. Suey Wong, pilot of the 380th Bomb Sqdn., who had lived in China until 1937.
2. Lecture on the Russian Front...the guest speaker was Capt. Witold Rodzinski, Communications Officer of the 428th Bomb Sqdn.
3. Lecture on the Pacific Theatre...presented by Capt. Henry Gilliam, G.L.D.
4. General War Review...by Lt. David M. Cohen and a talk on "Inside Germany," by Lt. Arthur D. Zinberg.

Following is an outline of an Orientation Lecture on the C.B.I. Theatre, given by Lt. David M. Cohen:

- I. Reasons for added importance of Discussions concerning C.B.I.
  - A. End of war with Germany is in view.
  - B. Most personnel will take an active part in C.B.I.
- II. How long will the war with Japan last?
  - A. War with Japan being lengthened by Nazi's stubborn stand.
    1. Estimates on how long Japan will last are based from the day that Germany falls.
    2. Best sober estimates now available say that an absolute minimum of 18 to 24 months.
  - B. Factors taken in account on Japan's position.
    1. Jap Army now numbers 4 million with another  $3\frac{1}{2}$  million available for duty.
    2. Japan's industry is capable of replacing all military losses.
    3. Jap fleet still potent with 12 battleships and 12 aircraft carriers.
    4. Geography is all in her favor.
- III. The C.B.I. Theatre.
  - A. China, Burma, and India.
    1. Includes an area larger than the entire European Theatre.
    2. All except China is known as the Southeast Asia Command and is under the command of Lord Louis Mountbatten.
    3. American forces would be under Gen. Wedemeyer in entire Theatre. He is also Chief of Staff to Chiang Kai-Shek and Deputy Commander to Mountbatten.
    4. The Japs have been fighting in this area for 7 years, and have inflicted great losses to the Allies.

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## IV. India Situation.

## A. Battle Scope

1. There is no battleground in India. In 1942 incessant Jap bombings had observers guessing that the Japs would launch a full scale attack.
2. The Japs launched a big offensive in the region of the Imphal Plain, but this was broken up.
3. India is a big springboard for the attack against Japan.

## V. Burma Situation.

## A. Battle Scope

1. Great and fierce battles being fought through the most difficult of jungle country.
2. Gen. Stillwell took the remnants of a Chinese Army out of Burma after taking a decisive beating.
3. Importance of Burma lies in the Burma Road which had been the supply line of the Chinese.

## a. Burma Road.

1. Route of the Chinese life-line begins at the Port of Rangoon, then by rail up through Mandalay to Lashio, and then by truck over the curves of the Burma Road to Kunning.

## B. Allied offensives in Burma.

1. Offensive started last December to retake northern Burma and open a new road to India to join part of the Burma Road that we still hold.
  - a. New section of road called Ledo Road.
2. Allied troops fighting in Burma.
  - a. Two Chinese divisions, the 22nd and 38th. Both trained and equipped by America.
  - b. Attack behind enemy lines by a picked unit of American guerilla fighters under Gen. Frank Merrill.
  - c. British troops landed 200 miles behind Jap lines. American gliders under the command of Col. Philip Cochran.
  - d. Initial successes have only been fair.
3. British troops from India have also been exerting an effort against the southern and central position of the India-Burma territory.

## VI. Chinese Situation.

## A. Battle Scope

1. Japan started a big drive to split China in half. This drive had three objectives:
  - a. Occupy all Eastern China and strengthen control of the seacoast.

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- b. Capture of neutralize advanced bases of the 14th Air Force. The attacks from 14th Air Force bombers have cost the Japs almost one million tons of shipping.
- c. Establish an overland route from Manchuria to Singapore.

B. Internal China.

- 1. 10% of the Chinese 450 million are Communists. In the civil war with Chiang Kai-shek's armies in 1926 and 1927, they were driven to northwest China, which they now control.
- 2. A United Front was made by both factions to make a stand against the Japanese. These two factions have not yet combined their forces, and consequently there is much internal dissension in China.

VII. Air Forces in China.

A. Tenth Air Force.

- 1. Made up originally of personnel driven out of the Philippines.
- 2. B-17's made their first raid out of India on 2 April 1942, setting fire to a Jap cruiser and a troopship. Score after two years fighting: 282 victories... 98 losses...

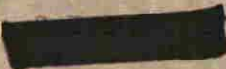
B. B-29 Operations (20th Air Force) (Task Air Force)...

- 1. Based on secret fields in India and inland China.
- 2. More than 100 B-29's hit Jap installations deep in northern China and Manchuria on Sept. 26th... It was a great tribute to both pilots and mechanics that not one man was lost in this operation.

C. Operations of the A.T.C...

- 1. Get vital supplies from India to China by flying it over the mountain barriers of 15,000 to 20,000 feet.

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Following are a few photographs taken in the renovated Officers' Club...showing the Bar, Rest Lounge, War Room...



