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## AWARDS OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER (AIR MEDAL):

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order, No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order, No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull 49, WD, 1942), a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, in lieu of an additional Air Medal, is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to the following-named officers and enlisted men for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained aerial flights on transport missions. These flights were performed in combat areas where there was a possibility of enemy interception. Their services reflect great credit on the Army Air Forces.

RUSSELL V. CARSON, (0-669453), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 19 November 1943 to 23 January 1944. Home Address: Savanna, Illinois.

ESTLE M. MILLS, JR., (0-669771), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 10 November to 23 December 1943. Home Address: Compton, California.

JULIAN E. NEWBAUER, (0-804862), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 17 October to 4 December 1943. Home Address: Miami Beach, Florida.

THOMAS G. PAGANO, (0-804865), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 9 October to 7 December 1943. Home Address: New York City, New York.

ORION G. WOOD, (0-669651), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 14 October to 16 December 1943. Home Address: Levelland, Texas.

EMORY A. BECKHAM, (0-800311), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 29 November 1943 to 4 February 1944. Home Address: Dubbin, Georgia.

HAROID BERGER, (0-804776), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 27 November 1943 to 12 January 1944. Home Address: New York City, New York.

ROBERT J. BOYD, JR., (0-675541), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 29 December 1943 to 26 February 1944. Home Address: Rutherford, New Jersey.

States Army, as navigator from 6 October to 28 October 1943. Home Address: Newburyport, Massachusetts.

WILLIAM H. EVANS, (0-810127), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 24 December 1943 to 14 February 1944. Home Address: Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

DONALD P. LIEBER, (0-670943), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 11 October 1943 to 6 January 1944. Home Address: Altadena, California.