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I. AWARDS OF THE 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), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to the following-named officers for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained aerial flights on transport missions. These missions were of a hazardous nature involving over-water flights of long distance. Their services reflect great credit on the Army Air Forces.

PAUL B. DeCOURCEY, (O-683417), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 12 December 1943 to 7 February 1944. Home Address: Klickitat, Washington.

STAN D. DONNELLY, (O-685558), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 30 November 1943 to 5 February 1944. Home Address: St. Paul, Minnesota.

II. 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 combat operational missions. Flights were of a hazardous nature during which enemy opposition was met, or during which an area was traversed where enemy antiaircraft fire was effective or where enemy fighter patrols were habitually encountered. Each individual exhibited great courage and untiring energy; his services reflecting highest credit on the military forces of the United States.

JACK A. WHITMAN, (O-923456), Captain, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial photographer from 16 December 1943 to 7 March 1944. Home Address: Dallas, Texas.

MARION F. SMITH, (O-734149), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 24 November to 2 December 1943. Home Address: Louisville, Kentucky.

HERMAN R. MINTZER, (O-796572), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 6 December to 18 December 1943. Home Address: Brooklyn, New York.

ARCHIBALD A. NANCE, (O-675106), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as copilot from 2 December to 13 December 1943. Home Address: Cortland, Ohio.

ALBERT J. APOUD, (38159633), Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as assistant aerial radio operator from 6 February to 14 February 1944. Home Address: Corpus Christi, Texas.

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II. AWARDS OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER (AIR MEDAL) Contd:

FORREST L. BAGBY, (32396028), Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial gunner from 13 February to 24 February 1944. Home Address: Brooklyn, New York.

BRUCE G. BRITTON, (31179139), Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as assistant radio operator gunner from 29 February to 10 March 1944. Home Address: Rumford, Rhode Island.

STANLEY F. CLEMENS, (37432319), Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial gunner from 8 March to 16 March 1944. Home Address: Union, Iowa.

CLINTON B. COUSINS, (33360188), Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as assistant aerial engineer gunner from 8 March to 16 March 1944. Home Address: Dry Fork, Virginia.

DEAN D. FARLOW, (19127397), Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial photographer from 30 August 1943 to 17 March 1944. Home Address: North Hollywood, California.

RICHARD F. MOUDRY, (13103280), Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial gunner from 15 December 1943 to 9 February 1944. Home Address: Baltimore, Maryland.

WADE M. SEALS, (20817381), Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial gunner from 4 November to 15 November 1943. Home Address: San Antonio, Texas.

WILBUR K. SPENCE, (17004288), Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as assistant aerial radio operator from 23 December 1943 to 13 February 1944. Home Address: Woodriver, Nebraska.

GEORGE A. WAGNER, (16064464), Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial gunner from 11 February to 19 February 1944. Home Address: Bellefonte, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH J. CASTORINO, (32415162), Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial radio operator gunner from 19 February to 29 February 1944. Home Address: Passaic, New Jersey.

CHARLES H. JACKLEY, (35368357), Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial photographer from 5 August 1943 to 7 February 1944. Home Address: Terre Haute, Indiana.

BERT H. McINTYRE, JR., (39556797), Corporal, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial photographer from 14 February to 14 March 1944. Home Address: Los Angeles, California.

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