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EXTRACT

AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL:

1. 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 flights were performed in combat areas where there was a possibility of enemy interception. Their services reflect great credit on the Army Air Forces.

PLEASANT E. CAREY, JR., (O-810824), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 1 November to 17 December 1943. Home Address: 574 Northeast Sixty-fourth Street, Miami, Florida.

NORMAN E. BAXTER, (O-740343), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 4 November to 3 December 1943. Home Address: Clearfield, Iowa.

EDWIN B. DUCKINGHAM, JR., (O-809639), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 9 November to 21 December 1943. Home Address: 37 Jackson Street, Binghamton, New York.

CARL F. COPELAND, (O-811318), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 1 November to 12 December 1943. Home Address: San Diego Club, San Diego, California.

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BUFORD C. BLOUNT, (O-800314), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 3 December 1943 to 20 January 1944. Home Address: Bassfield, Mississippi.

BRUCE R. GROESBECK, (O-869710), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 17 November 1943 to 2 January 1944. Home Address: 306 East Oliver Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

OSCAR L. MITCHELL, (O-802334), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 20 November 1943 to 5 January 1944. Home Address: 116 Ford Lane, Ventura, Georgia.

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AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL (Contd):

JOHN A. MUCCI, (O-686651), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 1 January to 22 February 1944. Home Address: 506 Ann Street, Frankfort, Kentucky.

DONALD L. PYKE, (O-814132), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 3 December 1943 to 24 January 1944. Home Address: 1014 South Street, Lafayette, Indiana.

CARL L. SACKETT, JR., (O-445188), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 4 December 1943 to 21 January 1944. Home Address: 2715 Evans Avenue, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

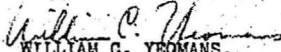
By Command of Lieutenant General HARMON:

A. J. BARNETT, -  
Major General, GSC,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

/s/ M. B. Kendrick,  
/t/ M. B. KENDRICK,  
Major, AGD,  
Asst Adj Gen.

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