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I. AIR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Second Lieutenant MARCO E. CIRINCIOM, (0810908), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 11 May 1944 to 9 September 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Stella Pisiani (Mother), 815 Sip Street, Union City, N.J.

Staff Sergeant WILLIS F. HARVILL, (33195930), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 22 October 1943 to 30 August 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Blanche L. Harvill (Mother), 3704 Thirteenth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM M. HUDSON, (0697866), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 16 May 1944 to 9 September 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Lucy W. Hudson (Mother), 114 $\frac{1}{2}$  E. Gordon Street, Kinston, N.C.

Flight Officer CARL W. HULL, JR., (T-123266), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 January 1944 to 16 June 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Carl Hull, Jr. (Wife), 326 S. Spruce, Kansas City, Mo.

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM G. KINDLER, (0814088), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 2 April 1944 to 19 June 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Kindler (Mother), 517 E. Elm Street, Mankatu, Minn.

Second Lieutenant ERNEST S. KING, (0698441), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 April 1944 to 7 September 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Frances M. King (Wife), Route #1, Box 160, Elma, Wash.

Second Lieutenant ADOLPH V. LORIO, (0697882), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 4 May 1944 to 10 November 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Ida V. Lorio (Wife), Luling, La.

Corporal JOHN E. MILLIKEN, (37005697), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 8 April 1944 to 12 September 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Elsie G. Milliken (Mother), R.F.D. #1, Gower, Mo.

Technical Sergeant NEWELL L. PETTIS, (16024843), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 February 1944 to 17 June 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Lillian I. Pettis (Wife), Box 213, Altoona, Wisconsin.

Second Lieutenant BENJAMIN RICARDO, (0817098), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 May 1944 to 17 June 1944. Home address: Mrs. Dora Ricardo (Mother), R-632 Harrison Avenue, Scranton, Pa.

Staff Sergeant JAMES C. RUST, (11054120), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 September 1943 to 6 September 1944. Home address: Marion Rust (Sister), 18 Payne Terrace, Malden, Mass.

Sergeant HARRY E. UPHOFF, (13152488), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 23 January 1944 to 12 September 1944. Home address: Mrs. Kathryn J. Uphoff (Mother), 3636 N. Eleventh Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The citation is as follows:

For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. Supplies were dropped and troops transported to advanced positions. These flights involved flying at low altitudes over mountainous terrain under adverse weather conditions in an unarmed transport airplane and often necessitated landing within a few miles of enemy bases. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

II. AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to the following named officers by the Commanding General, USAFISPA, as published in General Orders No. 623, Headquarters, USAFISPA, dated 26 April 1944, Bronze Oak-Leaf Clusters are awarded to them by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942).

1. OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Second Lieutenant DONALD L. PYKE, (0814132), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 June 1944 to 23 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Esther S. Pyke (Mother), 1014 South Street, Lafayette, Indiana.

2. SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant NORMAN E. BAXTER, (0740343), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 11 April 1944 to 18 June 1944. Home address: Mr. Eugene Baxter (Father), Clearfield, Iowa.

Second Lieutenant EDWIN B. BUCKINGHAM, JR., (0809639), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 June 1944 to 11 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Buckingham (Mother), 37 Jackson Street, Binghamton, N.Y.

Second Lieutenant PLEASANT E. CAREY, JR., (0810824), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 9 June 1944 to 29 November 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Florence B. Carey (Mother), 31 Northeast 43rd Street,  
Miami, Florida.

The citation is as follows:

For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area during which hostile contact was probable and expected. Supplies were dropped and troops transported to advanced positions. These flights involved flying at low altitudes over mountainous terrain under adverse weather conditions in an unarmed transport airplane and often necessitated landing within a few miles of enemy bases. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to the following named officers by the Commanding General, USAFISPA, as published in General Orders No. 511, Headquarters, USAFISPA, dated 26 December 1943, Bronze Oak-Leaf Clusters are awarded to them by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942).

1. OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH O. HENDRICKS, (0740190), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 11 May 1944 to 20 June 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Joseph O. Hendricks (Wife), 3901 N. 21st Street,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

2. THIRD OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant JESSE A. RAY, (0740918), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 2 April 1944 to 10 September 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Margaret A. Ray (Mother), Rural Route #2, Asheville, N.C.

3. FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant KENNETH M. ZIDD, (0672363), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 30 May 1944 to 5 September 1944.

Home address: Mr. Reuben Kidd (Father), Mason, Texas.

First Lieutenant BYRCE E. SAMMON, (0744909), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 2 April 1944 to 9 September 1944.  
Home address: Mrs. Edna M. Sammon (Mother), 2634 W. Fifteenth Place, Chicago,  
Illinois.

The citation is as follows:

For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. Supplies were dropped and troops transported to advanced positions. These flights involved flying at low altitudes over mountainous terrain under adverse weather conditions in an unarmed transport airplane and often necessitated landing within a few miles of enemy bases. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to the following named enlisted men by the Commanding General, USAFISPA, as published in General Orders No. 108, Headquarters, USAFISPA, dated 21 January 1944, Bronze Oak-Leaf Clusters are awarded to them by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942).

1. SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Corporal JOSEPH W. COBB, JR., (31187501), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 May 1944 to 1 September 1944. Home address: Mr. Joseph W. Cobb, Sr. (Father), Riverlin Street, Millbury, Mass.

Staff Sergeant MAX H. DENNING, (39531847), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 May 1944 to 8 September 1944. Home address: Mrs. Inez G. M. Denning (Mother), 2500 Chestnut Avenue, Long Beach, California.

2. THIRD OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Sergeant STANLEY DOBECK, JR., (32533531), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 24 January 1944 to 31 August 1944. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Dobeck (Wife), 1675 Bryant Avenue, New York, N.Y.

Sergeant KENNETH C. DREYER, (35373022), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 23 April 1944 to 25 August 1944. Home address: Mr. Lucien J. Dreyer (Father), 1706 N. Delaware Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

3. FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT E. DRYLIE, (13089963), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 16 May 1944 to 27 August 1944. Home address: Mr. David E. Drylie (Father), 514 Eighth Avenue, Irwin, Pa.

The citation is as follows:

For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. Supplies were dropped and troops transported to advanced positions. These flights involved flying at low altitudes over mountainous terrain under adverse weather conditions in an unarmed transport airplane and often necessitated landing within a few miles of enemy bases. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to the following named officers by the Commanding General, USAFISPA, as published in General Order No. 424, Headquarters, USAFISPA, dated 4 December 1943, Bronze Oak-Leaf Clusters are awarded to them by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942).

1. THIRD OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Captain PALMER B. MOE, (0304852), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 May 1944 to 10 September 1944. Home address: Mrs. C. A. Nelson (Sister), R.F.D., Niagara, N.D.

2. FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant JOHN J. PAGUETTE, (0525056), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 23 May 1944 to 10 September 1944. Home address: Mrs. Agnes L. Pagnette (Wife), 5748 Thilda Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

3. FIFTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH E. SMYTH, (0670646), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 30 April 1944 to 30 August 1944. Home address: Mr. Joseph A. Smyth (Father), 3724 Manor Road, Baltimore, Md.

The citation is as follows:

For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. Supplies were dropped and troops transported to advanced positions. These flights involved flying at low altitudes over mountainous terrain under adverse weather conditions in an unarmed transport airplane and often necessitated landing within a few miles of enemy bases. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men by the Commanding General, USAFISPA, as published in General Orders No. 434, Headquarters, USAFISPA, dated 21 December 1943, Bronze Oak-Leaf Clusters are awarded to them by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942).

1. FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant NORTON B. COTTON, (39252680), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 April 1944 to 19 June 1944. Home address: Mrs. Nellie Cotton (Mother), 1146 S. Wooster Street, Los Angeles, California.

Captain GEORGE E. CRAIG, (0729137), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 18 March 1944 to 17 August 1944. Home address: Mrs. T. O. Craig (Mother), 935 N. Louise Street, Glendale, California.

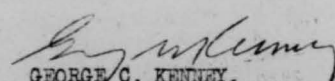
2. FIFTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant EDWIN D. ARNOLD, (0801506), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 26 April 1944 to 1 September 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mildred I. Arnold (Mother), Homestead, Florida.

First Lieutenant RAY L. BENNETT, (0740029), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 17 May 1944 to 11 September 1944. Home address: Mrs. Zoe A. Bennett (Mother), Fort Benton, Montana.

The citation is as follows:

For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. Supplies were dropped and troops transported to advanced positions. These flights involved flying at low altitudes over mountainous terrain under adverse weather conditions in an unarmed transport airplane and often necessitated landing within a few miles of enemy bases. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

  
GEORGE C. KENNEY,  
Lieutenant General, U.S. Army,  
Commanding.

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