

Sheet No. 1 Date: 1944 S.G. 306th Bomb Grp

Month of December 1944 Prepared by Lt. P.A. Esper

This, the last month of 1944, afforded little in the way of known operational successes. Poor weather held the group to twelve missions, two of which were visual. The same obstacle also confronted photographic reconnaissance units with the result that very little of our bombing damage was assessed. However, whenever possible, aircraft were sent from the field to attack mostly transportation and communication targets vital to the Hun's defensive armies. A majority of the combat men on the field professed a desire to fly more sorties in direct aid to ground forces on the western front. Their wishes were answered toward the end of the month when the 306th flew five missions against tactical targets assigned by the army. Results of these attacks coupled with those of other groups in the Eighth Air Force, proved to be beneficiary in hindering German advances.

During the period from the 19th to the 28th weather so hampered the group that but one mission was flown, that being diverted to another base at its conclusion. In the same period the field was closed in completely for 171 hours, on instrument flying only for 51 hours, and open for one hour. The figures do not lie in this case as a dense ground fog hovered over the midlands day and night without a break. It was shortly before, on the 10th, that Von Rundstedt launched his first major counter offensive of that the winter night. Massive, great numbers of men and tanks into a salient that reached an area of 240 square miles covering northern Luxembourg and southeastern Belgium, the German chief gained the initiative which took our forces by surprise. With little or no air support American and British armies were on the defense for two weeks before successful advances could be made against a stubborn enemy.

However, as the year closed out, the situation looked much better with the Hun in a poorer position than the previous fortnight had shown.

Operational records reveal the 306th to have dispatched 461 aircraft to enemy targets dropping 1034 tons of HE bombs and 154 tons of incendiaries at a cost of 7 planes during the month. These figures compare to the grand totals of 7158 dispatched dropping 14038 51/40 tons of HE's and 2122 1/5 tons of incendiaries for a 67 cost. 106 leaflet bombs were released.

Of the twelve raids flown, six were to communication centers, two to oil, one to tank factory, and one to airfields. Five missions were in direct support to ground forces, four being marshalling yards and one the airdromes.

Though visual bombing still proved to be most effective in destructive measures, instrument methods were continuing to improve and the Germans surely were beginning to feel the tumultuous blows aimed at their soon capitulation. Both PFF and Geel were utilized to good advantage despite the poor conditions, and their effectiveness was shown in a brighter light than ever before.

Oberlahnstein and Koblenz - 38 aircraft including two PFF, 3 Geel, and two spares, were led by Major Hesling as 406th "A" group. Shortly after crossing the Belgian coast, 306th crews received message from Buckeye stating that clouds at target were 10/10 to 26,000. This caused lead a/c to make a slight change in the briefed route at IP. On bomb

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run both lead and low Geff went out, necessitating a PFF drop on Koblenz by lead. Low was separated from group formation in the clouds and brought bombs back. High, with equipment working well, made a Geff drop on the primary at Oberlahnstein. Visual photos showed no ground detail. However, plotted scope pictures indicated bomb hits in target areas.

Keager, low and to the rear flak was encountered at both targets after bombs away indicating the effectiveness of chaff over an undercast. No enemy aircraft were observed. Battle damage was nihil.

3 Mission was scrubbed.

5 Berlin - Capt. Hanson led the 306th with 32 aircraft plus 4 PFF as 40 "B". Buckeye reported, before the IP, that bombing would be by instruments. The route, however, was flown as briefed and all three squadrons attacked the General Engineering and Armament Works of Rheinmetall Borsig A.G. in the Northwest part of Berlin. A 10/10 undercast with tops to 23000 feet was the general coverage on the continent with occasional breaks. A large hole over the target gave the lead bombardier a chance for a visual correction 45 seconds before bombs away. Flying glass hit him in the eye though and the navigator salvaged on the estimated elapsed time. Low dropped on lead and high made its own separate PFF run. Strike photos through the haze show hits in the woods and built up area to NW of target.

Moderate, accurate, tracking flak on the lead and high from one minute before to three minutes after bombs away made the run difficult. Keager A.A. fire was encountered at IJmuiden in Holland. Damage: Lead, 5 severe, 1 slight, 1 missing; Low - 0; High, 2 slight, 1 missing.

A/c 963F, pilot 2nd Lt. Stettler of the 433rd was hit by flak just after bombs away and was last seen going down over Berlin. Other members of the crew were 2nd Lt. A. Nauko, Jr. (CP), F/O C.J. Culbert, Jr. (N), 2nd Lt. A.G. Dealy (B), S/Sgt. D.R. Frantz (R), S/Sgt. R.D. Jarvis (TT), Sgt. D.R. Tachan (BT), Sgt. C.C. Laubach, Jr. (RW), Sgt. W.J. Eschenbach (TG).

A/c 099-S, pilot 2nd Lt. C.F. Manning, of the 367th was last heard from sending SOS to Air Sea Rescue which was able to get a fix. This would indicate a possible ditching. However, the a/c was reported as outstanding. Other members of the crew include 2nd Lt. P.A. Wilson (CP), 2nd Lt. M.T. Schneider (H), 2nd Lt. P. Tannerbaum (B), Sgt. V.S. Johnson (R), Sgt. T. Musser (TT), Sgt. H.L. Gile (BT), Sgt. E.R. Dewey (RW), Sgt. J.A. Cox (TG).

2nd Lt. J.D. Marsh, pilot in the 308th, was killed in an unfortunate accident previous to the mission's take off. As the ball turret guns were being installed and tested, two bullets were discharged, one ricocheting off a brick wall and striking the victim.

Officers of the 369th squadron held a stag party at the "A" mess during the evening. Though the abundance of Scotch whiskey was the main feature, extra musical and dancing entertainment was furnished. Among those present were Lt. Col. Raper, CO of the 303rd, and Lt. Col. Riordan, Air Exec. of the 92nd, both formerly with the 306th.

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 Kersberg - Major Conklin, from the 40th CG, led the 306th with 36 a/c including 4 PFF as the 40th "A" group. A 10/10 undercast with occasional holes over the continent confirmed the Buckeye report that bombing would be by instruments. Each squadron made its own H2X run with unobserved results. Light non-persistent contrails harassed the formation between 25,000 and 27,000 feet.

A moderate to intense, inaccurate barrage mostly low in the chaff trail was encountered in the target area. Damage on this, the easiest of the group's seven missions to date to Kersberg, was: Lead, two slight; Low, none; High, two slight. There was no enemy fighter opposition.

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 Stuttgart - 306th, as 40 "B", flew 36 a/c including one GeeH and three PFF led by Maj. Schinner to attack the marshalling yards at Stuttgart. The group was forced south of briefed 41 by other a/c to left, but this did not affect bomb run. As in Buckeye's previous report there was a 10/10 coverage at the target which necessitated the beginning of a Gee H run. 45 seconds before bombs away a hole through the clouds allowed lead bombardier a visual correction. Low squadron made separate PFF run on target and high had a 40 second visual run. Strike photos showed no bomb strikes, although crews reported hits from the low to have been in the target area.

Beeper tracking a.s. was very accurate on lead squadron. However, a barrage was ineffective on the group. Damage, all to lead, was 2 slight, 2 severe, and 1 missing.

A/c 196-C, pilot Lt. Trask of the 369th, was hit over target. Severe damage to rudder and cables, right and left ailerons, and tank lines rendered most controls useless. However, Lt. Trask finally managed to turn a/c by means of throttles and effected a landing at Messenger. C/Sgt. Krono and W/O pitched up rudder control cables with armament wires aiding pilot greatly. Four P-51's escorted a/c to friendly territory which highly impressed crew.

A/c 362-K, pilot 1st Lt. R.H. Brown of the 369th, also was hit over target and left formation under control. No subsequent information has been received. Also on the crew: 1st Lt. W.F. Biglio (C), 2nd Lt. J.B. Halden (R), 1st Lt. J.M. Moore (B), W/Olt. W.M. Olin (A), W/Olt. J.J. Fann (TT), C/Sgt. S.E. Abbeinour (PT), C/Sgt. E.P. Hovey (RM), S/Sgt. J.W. Rollard (TC).

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 Mission scrubbed.

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 Frankfurt - Col. Sutton led 306th with 36 a/c including three PFF as 40 "A" and Capt. Laughlin led 12 a/c as 40 "B" high to large marshalling yards in Frankfurt. Due to complete coverage in target area, lead of "A" force made an H2X run. Low and high both dropped on lead. High of "B" made its own PFF run. All results were unobserved. On the way back Division rerouted the wing northeast of course, which fact did not affect the mission.

A.s. fire was nil at the target and no E/a were observed. The group suffered no damage.

Lt. Trask and his crew returned to base.

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Merseburg - 306th flew 36 a/c including 3 PFF plus three spares as 40 "B" led by Capt. Hanson. As advised by Buckeye, the group found the target, the synthetic oil producing plant of the I.G. Farbenindustrie under 10/10 cloud coverage. Lead had started on bomb run when other planes crossed from left on collision course. This forced both lead and high squadrons to make a turn off to right for another run. Low, without an instrument ship, continued unmolested and dropped off "C" force smoke bombs. Lead made an H2X drop followed by high with unobserved results. On way out crew noticed bl. fires and smoke at Mansau through a hole in clouds.

a moderate low barrage with major inaccurate tracking inflicted no damage on any of our a/c. Enemy fighters were nil.

a heavy ground haze made landing operations at the base difficult. Therefore eight of our planes were diverted elsewhere.

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Kassel - Maj. Mullins led the 306th which flew 36 a/c including three PFF as 40 "C". Buckeye gave reliable reports concerning weather at the target, the marshalling yards in Kassel, under a 10/10 coverage. An H2X run was made, and scope photo lots show possible hits in briefed area.

No flak was encountered at the target although a few bursts were seen at Ijmaiden on way in. Enemy a/c were nil.

A/c 019-T, pilot Milke, 423rd, and a/c 033-Z, pilot 2nd Lt. C.A. Crooks, of the 368th collided in mid air over Greenham Common, England. Due to thick cloud and haze, accident was practically unobserved. Only survivors of the wreckage, both from Lt. Milke's plane, were the pilot and Lt. Murphy (CP). The rest of crew, all of whom were killed, include: F/O E.S. Smolenski (R), 1st Lt. R.E. Gard (B), T/Sgt. W.R. Farrell (A), T/Sgt. R.K. Reis (PT), S/Sgt. W.D. Lehoff (ST), S/Cgt. W.J. Boyle (R), S/Sgt. G.H. Pashon (TG).

Other members of Lt. Crooks' crew, all dead, were: 2nd Lt. J.P. Hockus (CP), 2nd Lt. E.S. Slocum (R), T/Sgt. H.A. Forderman (B), Sgt. A.W. Seaborg (A), S/Cgt. W.R. Laubert (PT), Sgt. J.M. Mankula (ST), Sgt. L. Cain (R), Sgt. R.T. Miller.

Lt. Ruffin of the 368th had two engines out because of internal failure near the IP and was forced to leave formation and land at Messenager after ridding his plane of all unnecessary equipment. He returned to base a few days later.

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Kaiserslautern - Maj. Witt led the 306th flying 40 "A" with 36 a/c including three PFF and two Gee H plus three spares. As Buckeye reported the target, marshalling yards at Kaiserslautern, was completely obscured by clouds rising to 30000 feet. Lead attacked on an H2X run with low dropping in trail. High made its own separate PFF run.

No flak or enemy a/c hindered the group.

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Mission scrubbed.

WCO of the 10th of Oct. making 1st Lt. H.R. Jones Group Ordnance Officer is confirmed and made of record.

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Nidda - 300th flew twelve a/c including two PFF as lead of 40 "D" and three a/c as high element 40 "B" high. Capt. Casseday led the formation. For the first time in many weeks the group had a completely visual run. The target, located at Nidda, was an airrome and the object was to bustle the field. A rack malfunction in the lead ship forced a second run on which the deputy took over. Strike photos show the field covered with bursts indicating excellent results.

Three a/c were damaged slightly by AAA from the front lines. No P/A were observed.

Giessen - 300th as 40 "B" flew 34 a/c including four PFF led by Capt. Magee. As Buckeye reported, visual conditions existed at the target, a hangar on the Giessen airfield. Lead bombardier felt that this aiming point had previously been hit, and therefore dropped his bombs on another installation. High squadron followed suit while the low pattern hit a built-up area to southwest of field. Results were described as good.

Meager accurate tracking; flak at the target and scattered bursts from the Koblenz area inflicted the following damage: Low, 1 severe; high, 2 severe. No fighter opposition was encountered.

Lt. Gen. Spaatz issued a commendation to the Eighth Air Force for the fine job of bombing done on this day.

Because of the very dense haze and fog which blanketed our base, all 49 of the mission's a/c were diverted to other fields, mostly in eastern England. Christmas for these crews was a relatively miserable affair. However, most of the men were given good meals and as good quarters as could be expected. All extended their appreciation for what was done on their behalf.

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Mission was scrubbed due to lack of crews and weather. Some men returned from diversion fields on trucks sent out from the base. They received a Christmas meal at 2000 hours.

The holiday was celebrated in typical army style with the exception of the food. Sufficient portions of turkey, dressing, ice cream, cake, cigars, etc were served. Everyone on the base had a stuffed stomach and the proper spirit prevailed during the day. Most operations were at a standstill because of poor weather but theoretically units were functioning as usual. Many expressed a desire and confidence that this conflict will be over before next Dec. 25.

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Diverted a/c returned to base.

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Siegburg and Koblenz - Capt. Hanson led the 306th as 40 "B" with 36 a/c including four PFF and one Gee H plus three spares. Buckeye's report that the bombing would be by instrument's caused the Gee H ship to take over at the IP. However, its bombs failed to release on the primary, marshalling yards at Siegburg, and therefore the lead made an H2X run on Koblenz. Low did likewise. High dropped on smoke bombs of 40 "A" which attacked Siegburg. All results were unobserved.

No flak or enemy fighters hindered the group.

On the return a/c 055-H, pilot Lt. Rieoux, of 423rd, was seen near St. Libans with one engine smoking. Night chutes were counted. Then the a/c crashed and exploded. Subsequent reports show that all on the crew are safe except 2nd Lt. L.J. Gishowitz (B) who was killed when he bailed out minus his chute.

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Bingen - Col. Sutton led 36 a/c including two PFF and two Gee H from the 306th as 40 "A". As in Buckeye's message, the target, marshalling yards in the town of Bingen near Western front, was CAWU. The Group's briefed aiming point, however, had been hit by previous formations, and therefore the lead bombardier dropped on an unhit part of the target area. Low hit over due to a rack malfunction. Compact high pattern fell in center of the town. Results of the mission as a whole were described as good.

No enemy fighters were observed. Accurate tracking, flak at the target after bombs away caused the following damage: Lead, four severe, two slight, one missing, one landed away; Low, one slight, one landed away; High, one severe, one slight. A few accurate tracking bursts were reported at the front lines both going in and coming out.

Lts. W.J. Davis of 367th and Col. Smythe of the 433rd both landed at Manston because of severe flak damage.

A/c 091-S, pilot 1st Lt. E.K. Weallner of the 368th, was hit in target area after bombs away. The plane was observed to have one engine smoking as it made wide spirals losing altitude. Some crews saw three chutes. Other members on the aircraft: 2nd Lt. G.J. Nichols (CP), 2nd Lt. T.E. Folland (N), T/Sgt. F.L. Arnold (B), T/Sgt. G.A. Korf (R), T/Sgt. C.L. Gibbs (TT), Sgt. H.C. Nyberg (ET), Sgt. F.J. Lehnert (RM), S/Sgt. Y. Hop (Tu).

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Mainz - 306th flew 36 a/c including four PFF as 40 "G" led by 1st Lt. McKinney. The target was the marshalling yard at Mainz, which was covered by 10/10 clouds. Our group attacked on an H2X run with unobserved results.

Leager and inaccurate A.A. damaged no a/c. Enemy fighter opposition was nil.

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The old year was ushered out in fine style at the "B" mess where the officers held the group party. There was plenty to drink and eat and good music to which to dance. Most who attended, including Col. Sutton, Lt. Col. Chalfest, and Lt. Col. Day, had an excellent time. Music was furnished by the Esquires, the band being studded with local talent. Needless to say, a rousing reception greeted 1945.

Enlisted men on the field celebrated with a similar gala affair held at the Lounge on the night of the 30th.

Sports - Base football team played three games during the month, winning 2 and tying 1. Lt. Bowers scored on an intercepted pass to give Thurlough a 6-6 deadlock with Station 045 in a contest played at Reading, England on the 10th.

The 306th played in Bedford on the 16th when a

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Sellen to Viscounti pass set up a Bowers score.

Grafton Underwood was Thurlough's victim in the season's finale played at lettering. Viscounti and Bowers scored both touchdowns in the 12-0 triumph.

Season record for the local team: 4 wins, 2 losses, and 3 ties.

AIR MEDALS

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

306th Bombardment Group (H)

December, 1944.

NAME OF RECIPIENT

CO NO. & DATE

2nd Lt Charles A. Dwyer	493	CO 508, 1st ED.
S/Sgt Paul R. Fisher	357	24 Nov., 1944.
S/Sgt Richard G. Atwood	368	"
S/Sgt Roland J. Lodish	"	"
S/Sgt Joseph E. Watson	493	"
2nd Lt Roy L. Trask	368	"
2nd Lt Walter P. Rozett	"	"
2nd Lt James J. Fitzsimmons	"	"
2nd Lt Walter M. Lanius	"	"
P/O Edward S. Szelanski	493	"
2nd Lt Robert C. Cheney	"	"
2nd Lt Daryl W. Phillips	"	"
2nd Lt Leslie Berry	"	"
2nd Lt James C. Talley	"	"
2nd Lt Milton J. Glahowitz	"	"
S/Sgt Raymond L. Goetz	368	"
T/Sgt Ray T. Patterson	"	"
S/Sgt Alfred C. Villagran	"	"
T/Sgt John L. Garrett	493	"
S/Sgt Charles V. Mayon	"	"
S/Sgt Arthur E. Resser	"	"
S/Sgt George B. Franklin	"	"
S/Sgt Henry F. Messer	368	"
T/Sgt Joseph S. Belzer	368	"
S/Sgt Elmer R. Wilke	"	"
S/Sgt Emil R. Wilke	"	"
S/Sgt Finson C. Lathi	"	"
S/Sgt Thomas W. Parker	"	"
T/Sgt Robert F. Roach	"	"
S/Sgt John W. Perry	493	"
S/Sgt Colvin W. Sheorn	"	"
S/Sgt Harold M. Mondshain	367	"
C/Sgt Guy A. Vickair	"	"
S/Sgt Lloyd G. Freenen	368	"
S/Sgt Earl V. Clement	"	"
T/Sgt Everett L. Findley	"	"
T/Sgt Herdie M. Gardner	"	"
S/Sgt Haig Gadarian	"	"
S/Sgt Stanley M. Mathes	"	"
1st Lt Edwin D. Woellner, Jr.	"	CO 509, 1st ED.
2nd Lt William W. Clark	369	25 Nov., 1944.
S/Sgt Oscar Gibson	371	"
S/Sgt Victor Paschioni	"	"
S/Sgt Norman W. McConaughy	"	"
1st Lt Irving I. Greenberg	"	"
2nd Lt Harold J. Carlson	"	"
2nd Lt David C. Howe	"	"

AIR MEDAL

RECIPIENT	NO. & DATE
2nd Lt Stanley J. Maguire	423 00 559, 1st ID.
2nd Lt Carl F. Saythe	" 25 Nov. 1944.
2nd Lt Fred W. Anderson	367 "
2nd Lt Carroll C. Mills	" "
1st Lt Glen L. Felts	" "
2nd Lt Dale " Lenn	" "
2nd Lt Norman Strand	" "
1st Lt Billy D. Wagoner	368 "
2nd Lt Rex J. Bruton	" "
2nd Lt Richard T. Gregg	" "
2nd Lt Richard H. Clarys	" "
2nd Lt Robert E. Leden	" "
F/O Russell C. Ulrich	" "
2nd Lt Louis J. Krzemien	" "
2nd Lt James A. Frederick	" "
2nd Lt Joseph R. Benuen	368 "
1st Lt Harold Brown	423 "
2nd Lt Vincent L. Tripps	" "
2nd Lt Philip E. Gorman	" "
2nd Lt Paul L. Becker	367 "
1st Lt Neal K. Kelly	367 "
2nd Lt George L. Hetch, Jr.	" "
1st Lt Howard L. Hall	368 "
1st Lt Patricia B. Evans	" "
2nd Lt William D. Gender	" "
S/Sgt James L. Dunn	367 "
T/Sgt Merle K. Coving	" "
T/Sgt Roger L. Fictos	" "
T/Sgt Joseph Cronkko	" "
T/Sgt Reisel H. Horn	" "
T/Sgt Thomas M. Mahoney	" "
S/Sgt Josue L. Martinez	" "
S/Sgt Hastings S. Key	423 "
S/Sgt William E. Martin	" "
T/Sgt John L. Price	" "
T/Sgt Harry Vitale	" "
S/Sgt Robert J. Montague	369 "
S/Sgt Barney Perrier, Jr.	" "
S/Sgt Edward F. Richards	" "
S/Sgt James E. Tamite	" "
T/Sgt Carl M. Mussen	" "
T/Sgt James J. Cathy	423 "
S/Sgt Wallace W. Frieemann	" "
S/Sgt Donald G. Vloedel	" "
S/Sgt Arskine C. Arbeiter	369 "
S/Sgt James E. Duran	" "
Sgt Russell E. Sheldon	" "
S/Sgt Walton A. Shipley	" "
S/Sgt Robert P. Gilbert	" "
S/Sgt John J. Gorman	" "
S/Sgt Fred J. ...	" "

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RECIPIENT		GO NO. & DATE
S/Sgt Walter A. Liles	366	GO No. 559, 1st ED.,
T/Sgt Rowe & C. McKey	367	25 Nov., 1944.
S/Sgt Clement E. White	368	" " " "
T/Sgt J.R. Wintora	"	" " " "
S/Sgt Roy C. Fiddin, Jr.	"	" " " "
T/Sgt Frank L. Arnold	"	" " " "
S/Sgt Ernest L. Crawford	"	" " " "
S/Sgt Rufus V. Seindie	"	" " " "
S/Sgt Richard E. Tennant	"	" " " "
S/Sgt William T. Gillispie	367	GO 561, 1st ED.,
S/Sgt Lawrence G. Joslin	"	26 Nov., 1944.
S/Sgt Robert J. Loyison	"	" " " "
T/Sgt William C. Starbuck	"	" " " "
S/Sgt Ralph E. Story	"	" " " "
S/Sgt Ralph E. Story	"	" " " "
1st Lt Merle E. Brown	368	GO 524, 1st ED.,
2nd Lt James E. Martin	"	14 Nov., 1944.
2nd Lt Lawrence E. Carroll	369	" " " "
2nd Lt Haze & H. Wood	"	" " " "
2nd Lt Neel H. Perkins	"	" " " "
2nd Lt Samuel A. Goldberg	"	" " " "
2nd Lt Anthony F. Berulich	"	" " " "
2nd Lt Frank C. Carle	"	" " " "
2nd Lt Guy J. L'Acena	"	" " " "
2nd Lt Aram J. Kohnmedjian	403	" " " "
2nd Lt Theodore W. Lee	"	" " " "
2nd Lt William H. Morgan	"	" " " "
2nd Lt John L. Davis	367	" " " "
2nd Lt Morris S. Harethouse	"	" " " "
2nd Lt Richard E. Kelay	"	" " " "
2nd Lt Fred J. Fortman	"	" " " "
2nd Lt Bennett E. Schwartz	368	" " " "
2nd Lt Charles W. Smith	"	" " " "
S/Sgt Edward R. Bell	423	" " " "
S/Sgt Ma & G. Morley	368	" " " "
Sgt Palmer D. Swope	"	" " " "
S/Sgt Clifford O. Resmussen	"	" " " "
S/Sgt Michael C. Angellilli	"	" " " "
S/Sgt Carl G. Barron	369	" " " "
T/Sgt Paul W. Gallagher	"	" " " "
S/Sgt Victor H. Keuer	"	" " " "
S/Sgt Robert E. Harrington	368	" " " "
S/Sgt Raymond L. Johnson, Jr.	"	" " " "
S/Sgt Robert W. Marble	"	" " " "
Sgt Keith J. Thompson	"	" " " "
T/Sgt Donald G. Smith	"	" " " "

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RECIPIENT	NO.	GO NO. & DATE
Sgt Jerrold J. Team	367	GO 574, 1st ED, 14 Nov. 1944.
T/Sgt Raymond A. Ochs	"	"
S/Sgt George E. Pycsen	"	"
T/Sgt Paul A. Hancock	"	"
T/Sgt Robert W. Grublar	"	"
S/Sgt James C. Tynan	"	"
S/Sgt R.G. Atwood	368	"
Sgt Carl A. Bizzi, Jr.	"	"
Sgt Leonard E. Davison	"	"
Sgt Walter F. Olmsted	369	"
T/Sgt Louis J. Peterson	"	"
T/Sgt Robert M. Coleman	423	"
S/Sgt John E. Neely	"	"
S/Sgt Walter E. De Hoff	"	"
T/Sgt John A. Hiddin	"	"
S/Sgt Clifford E. Volkhope	"	"
T/Sgt Anthony R. Cecere	368	"
S/Sgt Lawrence W. Jagow	"	"
Sgt Forrest D. Kenzie	369	GO 570 1st ED, 1 Dec., 1944.
S/Sgt Alfred R. Dearing	368	"
T/Sgt Roy L. Demetre	423	"
2nd Lt Charles A. Toner	"	GO 570, 1st ED, 2 Dec., 1944.
2nd Lt Edward J. Lindsay	"	"
2nd Lt Bayard W. Johnson	367	"
2nd Lt John C. Conlin, Jr.	"	"
2nd Lt Raymond E. Overstreet	"	"
2nd Lt Eugene A. Skonieczny	"	"
2nd Lt John K. Field	"	"
1st Lt Robert J. Christjohn	368	"
2nd Lt Charles M. Levy	"	"
Captain Edward J. Seifried	"	"
2nd Lt Frank M. Deiford	"	"
2nd Lt Ervin F. Miller, Jr.	"	"
2nd Lt Robert S. Tomlinson	"	"
2nd Lt Charles C. Holt	"	"
Captain William J. Hance	369	"
1st Lt Jack B. Lewis	"	"
1st Lt Lester A. Harrison	"	"
2nd Lt Leo H. Reinhart	"	"
2nd Lt Michael P. Kramer	"	"
1st Lt Edward G. Peterson	"	"
2nd Lt Elmer A. Sandberg	"	"
Major Earl W. Kealing	"	"
2nd Lt Forrest J. Stewart	423	"
2nd Lt William A. Gilfoyle	"	"

AIR MENALS

ECPIPME	NO.	CO NO. & DATE
T/Sgt Leonard N. Gilson	369	CO 576, 1st ED. 2 Dec. 1944.
S/Sgt John C. Bunn	"	"
S/Sgt Jacob Galveth	"	"
S/Sgt Lloyd C. Reno	423	"
S/Sgt Lloyd C. Reno	"	"
T/Sgt Oliver E. Hobbs	"	"
T/Sgt Henry C. West	"	"
S/Sgt Henry C. Nunnery, Jr.	367	"
S/Sgt Charles Walters	"	"
T/Sgt Ed. H. Groover	"	"
T/Sgt Calvin H. Owens	"	"
S/Sgt Elmer Workman	"	"
S/Sgt Maxwell E. Russell	367	"
T/Sgt Donald L. Presti	"	"
T/Sgt Edwin J. Collins	"	"
T/Sgt Robert A. Cree	368	"
T/Sgt Curtis M. Foster	"	"
S/Sgt Leonard E. Kelly	"	"
T/Sgt Russell K. Decker	"	"
S/Sgt Wayne F. Lambert	"	"
T/Sgt Raymond W. Coy	"	"
S/Sgt John J. Fredericks	"	"
S/Sgt Cleo A. Amer, Jr.	367	"
S/Sgt Martin J. Dempsey	"	"
S/Sgt Leon H. Richards	"	"
S/Sgt George W. Bachmann, Jr.	"	"
S/Sgt Rocco A. Russo, Jr.	368	"
T/Sgt Glenn A. Korf	"	"
S/Sgt Albert J. Stelder	"	"
F/O David H. Correll	423	CO 579, 1st ED. 3 Dec. 1944.
2nd Lt Daniel J. Holland	367	"
2nd Lt Howard G. Roth	423	CO 582, 1st ED. 4 Dec. 1944.
1st Lt Hollis H. Baker	"	"
2nd Lt Robert W. Schroeder	"	"
1st Lt Robert L. Edwards	368	"
2nd Lt Paul C. Wagner	"	"
Major James A. McKinney	369	"
Captain Harlan D. Laughlin	"	"
2nd Lt George T. Kerr	"	"
1st Lt Gennaro M. Carrazzone	"	"
F/O Raymond P. Allen	367	"
2nd Lt Irving D. Smith	"	"
2nd Lt Vernon F. Deley	"	"
2nd Lt Joe M. Pavin	368	"
1st Lt Fordie K. Lucas	"	"
2nd Lt Arthur J. Meanner	"	"
2nd Lt John A. Coyne	"	"

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RECIPIENT	GO. NO. & DATE.
1st Lt John P. Keraty	586, 1st ED, 5 Dec., 1944.
2nd Lt Richard E. Wiley	"
2nd Lt Raymond E. Braun	369 " " "
1st Lt Robert M. Brown	" " " "
2nd Lt James R. Moore	" " " "
2nd Lt Howard E. Hutchinson	423 " " "
2nd Lt Maurice L. Mullen	" " " "
Captain Francis M. McQuillan	367 " " "
Major Thomas M. Halinger	368 " " "
2nd Lt William Vasso	" " " "
2nd Lt Kenneth M. Bros	" " " "
1st Lt Warren M. Doman	369 " " "
2nd Lt Norman E. Outcalt	423 " " "
2nd Lt Vernon L. Remussen	" " " "
T/Sgt George Coker, Jr.	369 " " "
S/Sgt Norman E. Carlson	368 " " "
S/Sgt Steven W. Stolkov	423 " " "
S/Sgt Walter B. Dutschek	423 " " "
T/Sgt Eugene D. Hovey	" " " "
S/Sgt Herman B. Kays	" " " "
S/Sgt Taylor A. Kinsey	" " " "
S/Sgt Wilson B. Bearden	367 " " "
T/Sgt Julius Coleman	" " " "
S/Sgt Sidney J. Davis	" " " "
T/Sgt Gordon W. Lothian	" " " "
T/Sgt Gordon M. Maddock	" " " "
S/Sgt Carroll L. Meyer	" " " "
S/Sgt Robert Urael	" " " "
S/Sgt Harold Nelson	" " " "
S/Sgt Charles B. Pease	" " " "
S/Sgt Joseph S. Reville	" " " "
S/Sgt Robert W. Search	" " " "
S/Sgt William H. Sanders	" " " "
T/Sgt Thomas C. Girardot	368 " " "
S/Sgt Harold A. Walderman	" " " "
S/Sgt Lawrence F. Pesterfield	" " " "
S/Sgt Henry C. Trimmer	" " " "
S/Sgt William B. Lynch	423 " " "
S/Sgt Paul H. Wehant	" " " "
S/Sgt Edward D. Craig	" " " "
S/Sgt Russell H. Schmettpels	" " " "
T/Sgt Nelson C. Morley	368 " " "
S/Sgt Palmer D. Sapp	" " " "
2nd Lt Walter Dean	367 " " "
2nd Lt Ned A. Evans	369 " " "
2nd Lt LeRoy F. Finzell	423 " " "
2nd Lt Gene E. Hays	" " " "
2nd Lt Penelope G. Kokostas	" " " "
2nd Lt Harold C. Mattson	" " " "
	586, 1st ED, 7 Dec., 1944.

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RECIPIENT	NO.	CO. NO. & DATE.
2nd Lt Kenneth E. [REDACTED]	367	60 594, 1st ID, 7 Dec., 1944.
1st Lt Billy J. McCormack	368	" " " " " "
S/Sgt Sebastian Krause	"	" " " " " "
S/Sgt Yuen Hop	357	60 589, 1st ID, 6 Dec., 1944.
Captain Arthur Vann	"	" " " " " "
1st Lt Walter P. Gay	"	" " " " " "
P/O William H. Kaufman	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt John L. Davis	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Morris S. Runathouse	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Burns W. Toper	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Wilfred E. Kiessler	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Emmette E. Sutherland	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Leon S. Townsend	368	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Harold M. Morris	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Ira E. Holden	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Charles W. Greeninger	369	" " " " " "
2nd Lt John Bodnaruk	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt William S. Beaton	"	" " " " " "
1st Lt Eldon J. Burrell	367	" " " " " "
1st Lt Robert L. Gordon	"	" " " " " "
1st Lt Lucien F. Peters, Jr.	369	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Millie S. Israel	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Robert H. Wood	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Earl T. Shapland	423	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Wendell C. Larson	"	" " " " " "
S/Sgt Annie Dykstra	367	" " " " " "
S/Sgt Robert L. Siray	"	" " " " " "
P/Sgt Lemuel A. Clinecock	"	" " " " " "
S/Sgt Robert E. Crede	"	" " " " " "
P/Sgt Harry S. Beistline, Jr.	"	" " " " " "
S/Sgt Freeman R. Mitchell	"	" " " " " "
P/Sgt Louis R. Gilbert	368	" " " " " "
S/Sgt Sam Disko	"	" " " " " "
S/Sgt D.W. Spraggins	"	" " " " " "
P/Sgt Elvin C. Hall	369	" " " " " "
S/Sgt Sam Koren	"	" " " " " "
S/Sgt Irvin H. Fitterman	"	" " " " " "
S/Sgt Louis M. Smith	423	" " " " " "
S/Sgt William J. McCondie	"	" " " " " "
S/Sgt Louis L. Howell	"	" " " " " "
S/Sgt Edward L. Finch	"	" " " " " "
S/Sgt Frederick L. Tleck, Jr.	36	" " " " " "
C/Sgt Everett L. Fidelity	367	60 605, 1st ID, 8 Dec., 1944.
2nd Lt Airon N. Demorey	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Gilbert W. Clark	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Charles E. Crooks	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Elijah B. Slocum	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Dwight C. Faisely	"	" " " " " "
2nd Lt Harold L. Christensen	"	" " " " " "

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RECIPIENT	OR	DC NO. & DATE.
Sgt Louis D. Hardin	369	GO 609, 1st BE.
Sgt Richard V. Miller	368	10 Dec., 1944.
Sgt Lloyd Cain	"	"
Sgt Frank Pospiech	"	"
Sgt Robert A. Burckhardt	423	"
Sgt Samuel H. Conite, Jr.	"	"
S/Sgt Harry A. Aches	"	"
Sgt John S. Adams	"	"
Sgt James L. Berger	"	"
S/Sgt Richard M. Roesa	367	"
S/Sgt Charles E. Calengor	"	"
Sgt Albert V. Costello	368	"
Sgt Joseph M. Mendula	"	"
S/Sgt Silvio E. Decolt	367	"
S/Sgt Edward F. Densher	368	"
Sgt Richard Ramirez	369	"
Sgt James M. Jenkins	"	"
Sgt Joseph E. Zarnet	"	"
Sgt Vernon T. Crowson	"	"
Sgt David C. Koucek	"	"
S/Sgt Richard F. Tennant	368	"
S/Sgt Rufus V. Swindle	"	"
S/Sgt Aylett E. Jacobson	"	"
T/Sgt Earl W. Kreis	"	"
S/Sgt Tillman L. Ware	"	"
S/Sgt Franklin J. Brover	"	"
T/Sgt Dennis E. McCarthy	"	"
S/Sgt Stanley M. Mothee	"	"
S/Sgt Geil W. Pashon	423	"
S/Sgt Eli A. Kopchko	"	"
T/Sgt Robert M. Coleman	"	"
T/Sgt Richard A. Hill	"	"
T/Sgt Elmond Richardson	"	"
T/Sgt Jack M. Cullen	"	"
T/Sgt Elvin W. Courtright	"	"
T/Sgt Harold G. Baker	"	"
S/Sgt Alton Robinson	367	"
T/Sgt Thomas K. Mahoney	"	"
S/Sgt Jesus L. Martinez	"	"
T/Sgt Charles E. Kasgal	368	"
S/Sgt Robert H. Mac Gillivray	"	"
S/Sgt Robert H. Mac Gillivray	"	"
S/Sgt Raymond L. Johnson, Jr.	"	"
S/Sgt John C. Kleffer	423	"
S/Sgt Calmer M. Odrows	"	"
S/Sgt Joseph E. Jones	"	"

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RECIPIENT	ORG	GO NO. & Date.
F/O Robert C. Garberich	423	GO 615, Bq 1st BD,
F/O Carroll E. Putt	367	12 December, 1944.
2nd Lt Arthur H. Miller	369	"
2nd Lt Frederick H. Hudson, Jr.,	"	"
2nd Lt George D. Good, Jr.,	"	"
2nd Lt Jesse A. Bryan	"	"
2nd Lt Wesley W. Gunkel	423	"
1st Lt William D. Hallum	"	"
Sgt J.P. Paul	368	"
Sgt Rob R. Gattis	"	"
Sgt Louis A. Marchese	"	"
Sgt Stanley J. Parton	"	"
Sgt George E. Holdson	"	"
Sgt Raymond L. Tiff	"	"
S/Sgt Raymond H. Morheim, Jr.,	368	"
Sgt Russell O. Hawkins, Jr.,	"	"
T/Sgt Raymond V. Peters	"	"
1st Lt Samuel A. Goldberg	369	"
2nd Lt Anthony F. Barulich	"	"
2nd Lt David O. Howe	423	"
S/Sgt John J. Fredericks	368	"
2nd Lt Max J. Bruton	368	GO 618, 1st Bd.,
1st Lt Edward G. Peterson	369	13 Dec., 1944.
1st Lt Irving I. Greenberg	"	"
1st Lt Neal W. Perkins	"	"
S/Sgt Norman C. Sulzer	"	"
S/Sgt Robert G. Zimmerman	"	"
S/Sgt Samuel E. Abdalour	"	"
S/Sgt Joseph W. Holland	"	"
S/Sgt Edmund F. Liske	423	"
T/Sgt John A. Hicklin	"	"
Sgt Thomas E. Stillson, Jr.,	368	"
S/Sgt Alfred H. Deating	"	"
T/Sgt Clarence E. Gibbs	368	"
T/Sgt Frank L. Arnold	"	"
S/Sgt Daniel F. Riley, Jr.,	"	"
S/Sgt Keith J. Thompson	"	"
S/Sgt Robert J. Condry	"	"
T/Sgt Clinton J. German	367	"
S/Sgt James K. Young	"	"
T/Sgt Charles K. Young	"	"
S/Sgt Charles R. Belforte	"	"
T/Sgt Frank G. Whitney	"	"
S/Sgt Robert E. Snow	"	"
S/Sgt J.W. Hall	"	"
S/Sgt George W. Petrillo	"	"
2nd Lt Joseph J. Carbine	"	"
2nd Lt Richard W. Jones	368	GO 626, 1st BD,
		15 Dec., 1944.

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RECIPIENT	ORG	GO NO. & DATE.
Capt Robert G. Matske	423	GO 626, 1st ED,
2nd Lt John D. Wilson	"	15 Dec., 1944.
2nd Lt John W. Kidwell	367	"
1st Lt Ward W. Fowler	"	"
1st Lt Paul R. Martin	"	"
2nd Lt James D. Snoddy	"	"
F/O Carroll E. Patt	"	"
2nd Lt Edward E. Huelst, Jr.,	368	"
2nd Lt Robert E. Underwood	"	"
2nd Lt Robert M. Frank	423	"
2nd Lt John G. Ruegger	"	"
Capt Neill G. Kirby	"	"
2nd Lt Ira B. Holden	"	"
S/Sgt Harold R. Nelson	367	"
S/Sgt Elmer L. Bishop	423	"
S/Sgt Reed T. Miller, Jr.,	367	"
2nd Lt Walter M. Lanius, Jr.,	369	GO 629, 1st ED,
2nd Lt William L. Rogers	"	16 Dec., 1944.
2nd Lt Frank C. Carlo	"	"
2nd Lt Douglas T. Schrack	423	"
2nd Lt Charles R. Tober	"	"
1st Lt Wallace W. Wood	"	"
2nd Lt Vincent L. Triggs	"	"
2nd Lt Charles E. Gibson	"	"
2nd Lt Charles R. Dister	"	"
Capt Paul V. Osburn	367	"
2nd Lt Frederick K. Shepard	"	"
1st Lt Paul E. Kelly	"	"
2nd Lt Paul A. Becker	"	"
2nd Lt Ralph L. Erving	"	"
2nd Lt Richard F. Panselke	"	"
2nd Lt Joseph A. Schuber	"	"
2nd Lt Raymond B. Overstreet	"	"
2nd Lt Fred W. Anderson	"	"
2nd Lt Dale R. Loan	"	"
F/O Erwin R. Clark	"	"
2nd Lt Donald C. Scherts	368	"
2nd Lt Charles O. Holt, Jr.,	"	"
2nd Lt Jerry E. Brian	"	"
2nd Lt Sam J. Matten	"	"
2nd Lt Frank M. Seiford	"	"
2nd Lt Frank M. Seiford	"	"
2nd Lt Ervin F. Miller, Jr.,	"	"
2nd Lt Robert E. Lohan	"	"
2nd Lt Norman E. Outcalt	423	"

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RECIPIENT	ORG	GO NO. & DATE.
Capt Robert G. Matske	423	GO 626, 1st HD,
2nd Lt John D. Wilson	"	15 Dec., 1944.
2nd Lt John W. Kidwell	367	"
1st Lt Ward W. Fowler	"	"
1st Lt Paul E. Martin	"	"
2nd Lt James D. Swoody	"	"
F/O Carroll E. Putt	"	"
2nd Lt Edward E. Huelst, Jr.,	368	"
2nd Lt Robert E. Underwood	"	"
2nd Lt Robert M. Frank	423	"
2nd Lt John G. Ruegger	"	"
Capt Neill G. Kirby	"	"
2nd Lt Ira B. Holden	"	"
S/Sgt Harold R. Nelson	377	"
S/Sgt Elmer L. Bishop	423	"
S/Sgt Reed T. Miller, Jr.,	367	"
2nd Lt Walter M. Lemius, Jr.,	369	GO 629, 1st HD,
2nd Lt William L. Rogers	"	16 Dec., 1944.
2nd Lt Frank C. Carle	"	"
2nd Lt Douglas T. Schrack	423	"
2nd Lt Charles R. Tohar	"	"
1st Lt Wallace W. Wood	"	"
2nd Lt Vincent L. Triggs	"	"
2nd Lt Charles H. Gibson	"	"
2nd Lt Charles R. Dinter	"	"
Capt Paul V. Osburn	367	"
2nd Lt Frederick K. Sheppard	"	"
1st Lt Paul E. Kelly	"	"
2nd Lt Paul A. Becker	"	"
2nd Lt Ralph L. Erving	"	"
2nd Lt Richard F. Pawelke	"	"
2nd Lt Joseph A. Schuber	"	"
2nd Lt Raymond B. Overstreet	"	"
2nd Lt Fred W. Anderson	"	"
2nd Lt Dale R. Lenn	"	"
F/O Erwin R. Clark.	"	"
2nd Lt Donald C. Sebarts	368	"
2nd Lt Charles O. Holt, Jr.,	"	"
2nd Lt Jerry E. Brian	"	"
2nd Lt Sam J. Matton	"	"
2nd Lt Frank M. Seiford	"	"
2nd Lt Frank M. Seiford	"	"
2nd Lt Ervin F. Miller, Jr.,	"	"
2nd Lt Robert E. Loden	"	"
2nd Lt Norman E. Outcalt	423	"

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2nd Lt James C. Talley	425	GO 639, 1st ED, 16 Dec., 1944.
2nd Lt Daryl W. Phillips	"	"
2nd Lt William A. Guilfoyle	"	"
F/O David H. Correlli	"	"
F/O Russell C. Urich	368	"
1st Lt Robert L. Edwards	"	"
F/O Milton Rosen	"	"
2nd Lt Joseph L. Chancey	369	"
2nd Lt Carl P. Smythe	423	"
2nd Lt Stanley J. Magusiak	"	"
2nd Lt William H. Morgan	"	"
Sgt Everett R. Nunley	367	GO 633, 1st ED 17 Dec., 1944.
Sgt Chester S. Sosnowski	"	"
Sgt Samuel D. Robertson	"	"
S/Sgt Jack S. Gooden	368	"
Sgt Edward H. Tutun	423	"
Sgt Charles N. Yeager	"	"
Sgt Patrick J. Hannum	"	"
S/Sgt Forrest W. Yorgason	"	"
Sgt Duane J. Brunner	"	"
Sgt Roy E. Nokes	"	"
2nd Lt Austin J. Parrish	367	GO 635, 1st ED, 18 Dec., 1944.
2nd Lt Jackson O. Walls	"	"
2nd Lt P.C.L. Seckinger	369	"
F/O Peter J. Butucek	"	"
S/Sgt Albert P. Desrochers, Jr.,	367	"
Sgt Edwin F. Meyer	"	"
Sgt James N. Thompson	"	"
Sgt Leonard L. Smith	369	"
1st Lt Theodore W. Lee	423	"
1st Lt William A. Ruffin	368	"
1st Lt Raymond B. Braun	369	"
1st Lt Warren M. Doman	"	"
1st Lt Andrew J. Silvasy	"	"
T/Sgt Harry I. Miller	367	"
T/Sgt Harry I. Miller	"	"
S/Sgt Harold M. Mondabeia	"	"
T/Sgt John L. Stachowiak	"	"
T/Sgt Norman W. McConaughty	"	"
T/Sgt Robert E. Waldson	"	"
S/Sgt Guy A. Vicknair	"	"
S/Sgt Barney Parker	369	"
T/Sgt Paul M. Gallagher	"	"
S/Sgt Glenn A. Waltersdorff	"	"
S/Sgt Buster M. Davis	"	"
S/Sgt Rolly A. Davis	"	"
S/Sgt Melvin D. Wood	"	"

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RECIPIENT	ORG	GO NO. & DATE.
S/Sgt Clarence E. Smith	369	GO 635, 1st ED,
S/Sgt Robert H. Beck	423	18 Dec., 1944.
S/Sgt Robert D. Cox	"	"
T/Sgt Anthony A. Burns	359	"
T/Sgt Robert F. Roach	"	"
S/Sgt Pinson O. Luthi	"	"
T/Sgt Warren E. Cain	"	"
S/Sgt Charles E. Alvitre	"	"
S/Sgt Frederick Piepenbrink	"	"
T/Sgt William L. Hickman	"	"
T/Sgt Joseph A. Hemealy	"	"
S/Sgt Walter A. Liles	"	"
T/Sgt Thurmond H. Williams, Jr.,	"	"
T/Sgt James E. Thwaite	"	"
S/Sgt Edward P. Richards	"	"
S/Sgt John J. Callahan	"	"
S/Sgt James Revis	367	"
T/Sgt Ralph Groover	"	"
T/Sgt Calvin H. Owens	"	"
S/Sgt Elmer Workman	"	"
S/Sgt Newell F. Russell	"	"
T/Sgt Lawrence R. Hooper	"	"
S/Sgt Thomas L. Smith	"	"
S/Sgt Vernon T. Blucher	"	"
S/Sgt Harry E. Sohn	368	"
S/Sgt Ralston E. Mansfield	"	"
T/Sgt Jewel C. Moody	"	"
S/Sgt R.G. Atwood	"	"
T/Sgt Thomas C. Girardot	"	"
T/Sgt Charles A. Fatica	423	"
S/Sgt Marvin C. Barker	"	"
T/Sgt William O. Starbuck	327	"
S/Sgt Oscar Gibson	"	"
T/Sgt Bernard F. Munnertin	"	"
T/Sgt Reisel H. Horn	"	"
S/Sgt Robert Ursel	"	"
T/Sgt Robert W. Grahler	"	"
S/Sgt William T. Gillispie	"	"
T/Sgt James J. Cathy	423	"
S/Sgt George B. Franklin	"	"
S/Sgt Wallace W. Priesman	"	"
T/Sgt Nicholas W. De Seve	"	"
T/Sgt Tony P. Thomas	"	"
S/Sgt Reed T. Milber, Jr.,	"	"
S/Sgt Robert W. Marble	368	"
2nd Lt Wilfred T. Riedal	423	GO 639, 1st ED,
1st Lt Aron Mahabedian	"	19 Dec., 1944.
2nd Lt Donald C. Haugenson	367	"
1st Lt Ralph F. Bordner	368	"

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RECIPIENT	ORG	GO NO & DATE
2nd Lt Robert S. Tomlinson	368	GO 639, 1st ED.
1st Lt Blain S. Gailey	369	19 Dec. 1944.
1st Lt John A. Murphy	423	"
F.O Edward S. Smolenski	"	"
S/Sgt Lawrence G. Joslin	367	"
S/Sgt Everett E. Hulme	"	"
S/Sgt Everett E. Hulme	"	"
S/Sgt Forrest D. Manzie	"	"
T/Sgt Gordon R. Lothian	"	"
S/Sgt Charles E. Paine	"	"
S/Sgt Norman Morrow	"	"
S/Sgt James McDonough	423	"
S/Sgt Everett B. Brooks	"	"
T/Sgt J.R. Winborn	368	"
S/Sgt Max D. Boston	"	"
S/Sgt Richard E. Cooper	"	"
T/Sgt Richard D. Mills	"	"
T/Sgt Darwin G. Smith	"	"
S/Sgt William R. Carrasco	"	"
S/Sgt Albert J. Stalder	"	"
S/Sgt Lucius B. Smitherman	"	"
T/Sgt James J. Noonan	423	"
S/Sgt Norman D. Hall	"	"
S/Sgt Leon J. Persac, Jr.,	"	"
T/Sgt Oliver E. Hobbs	"	"
T/Sgt Dan D. Erwin	"	"
S/Sgt Edward C. Harold	"	"
S/Sgt Leon R. Richards	367	"
T/Sgt Mahlon C. Morley	368	"
S/Sgt Palmer D. Swope	"	"
T/Sgt Robert A. Osee	"	"
S/Sgt Wayne F. Laubert	"	"
T/Sgt Merle E. Geving	367	"
T/Sgt John E. Price	423	"
S/Sgt John W. Perry	"	"
S/Sgt Colvin W. Sheora	"	"
T/Sgt William J. Perovskich	367	"
T/Sgt William E. Farrell	423	"
T/Sgt Robert K. Reis	"	"
S/Sgt Charles V. Haven	"	"
S/Sgt John E. Buckley	"	"
T/Sgt Raymond W. Roy	368	"
S/Sgt Clement R. White	"	"
T/Sgt Russell K. Decker	"	"
S/Sgt Robert W. Featross	"	"
S/Sgt Leonard T. Anderson	"	"
S/Sgt Clyde K. Ukele	369	"
S/Sgt Jack W. Kahlley	"	"
S/Sgt Jacob Galyath	"	"
S/Sgt Maurice W. Westmoreland	"	"

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RECIPIENT	ORG	GO NO. & DATE
T/Sgt Delor C. Mondor	423	GO 639, 1st ED.
S/Sgt Loren E. Baker	"	19 Dec., 1944.
S/Sgt Carl G. Barron	369	"
1st Lt Robert J. Chrisjohn	368	GO 641, 1st ED.
1st Lt Charles N. Levy	"	20 Dec., 1944.
Capt George C. Schneider	369	"
1st Lt Ludien F. Peters, Jr.	"	"
1st Lt Lucien F. Peters, Jr.	"	"
S/Sgt William H. Sanders	367	"
S/Sgt Calvin B. Culp	"	"
T/Sgt Robert M. Coleman	423	"
2nd Lt James L. Cation	369	GO 644, 1st ED.
2nd Lt Courtney G. Campbell	423	21 Dec., 1944.
2nd Lt Vernon F. Daley	367	"
F/O Norman Strand	"	"
2nd Lt Nathaniel W. Hemmway	"	"
2nd Lt George L. Hatch	"	"
2nd Lt James A. Frederick	368	"
1st Lt Howard L. Hall	"	"
2nd Lt Richard T. Gregg	"	"
T/Sgt Louis E. Gilbert	"	"
2nd Lt Irving D. Smith	367	GO 649, 1st ED.
2nd Lt Bayard W. Johnson	"	23 Dec., 1944.
2nd Lt Kenneth R. Rowley	"	"
2nd Lt Donald C. Macdonald	"	"
2nd Lt Eugene A. Skonieczny	"	"
2nd Lt Arthur J. Maenner	368	"
2nd Lt Louis J. Krsanien	"	"
T/Sgt Joseph M. Hoffman	"	"
T/Sgt Raymond J. Yoder	"	"
S/Sgt Simpson J. McGalberry, Jr.	369	"
S/Sgt Yuen Hop	368	"
S/Sgt Edward F. Danaber	"	"
S/Sgt Eugene J. Feeney	"	"
2nd Lt Robert S. Ladan	"	GO 665, 1st ED.
1st Lt Jack B. Lewis	369	29 Dec., 1944.
T/Sgt Harry T. Miller	"	"
S/Sgt Keith J. Chapman	368	"
T/Sgt Mack E. Farmer	369	"
S/Sgt Gerald F. Bushall	423	"
1st Lt Padraic B. Evans	368	GO 673, 1st ED.
2nd Lt Lealie Berry	423	31 Dec., 1944.
2nd Lt Frank M. Seiford	368	"
2nd Lt Joe M. Pavin	"	"
2nd Lt Richard E. Griffin	423	"
2nd Lt Earl P. Shapland	"	"
1st Lt John C. Conlin	367	"
T/Sgt Charles A. Fatice	423	"
T/Sgt Mahlen C. Morley	369	"
T/Sgt Thomas G. Girardot	"	"
S/Sgt Everett E. Hulme	369	"

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RECIPIENT	ORG	GO NO & DATE.
T/Sgt Sherman D. Bennett	368	GO 573, 1st ED,
T/Sgt John P. Zamora	423	1 Dec., 1944.
S/Sgt Lyle A. Brown	368	"
S/Sgt Harold H. Benson	423	"
Sgt Sol Schmoll	370	"
1st Lt Robert J. Curran	368	GO 572, 1st ED,
		1 Dec., 1944.
1st Lt John E. Delapour	423	GO 580, 1st ED,
1st Lt Robert D. Graunig	377	3 Dec., 1944.
F/O George H. Blahnik	423	"
S/Sgt George L. Barber	368	"
S/Sgt David C. DeBeauchamp	369	GO 588, 1st ED,
		5 Dec., 1944.
T/Sgt Curtis N. Foster	368	GO 584, 1st ED,
T/Sgt John W. Reese	369	5 Dec., 1944.
S/Sgt Paul Brunetti	368	"
S/Sgt James C. Ellis	423	"
S/Sgt Porter L. Sneed	369	"
1st Lt Robert T. Denny	368	GO 611, 1st ED,
S/Sgt Riley Beach	369	11 Dec., 1944.
S/Sgt Roy C. Ficklin	378	"
S/Sgt John P. Lighthouse	"	"
1st Lt Eldon J. Burrell	423	GO 631, 1st ED,
		16 Dec., 1944.
Capt Edward J. Seifried	368	GO 630, 1st ED,
1st Lt Robert L. Cardon	377	16 Dec., 1944.
T/Sgt Gordon M. Inaley	423	GO 599, 1st ED,
T/Sgt Audrey F. Klepser	"	8 Dec., 1944.
T/Sgt Joseph V. Schember	"	"
Colonel James S. Sutton	Hq	GO 625, 1st ED,
		15 Dec., 1944.
1st Lt John P. Dillon	369	GO 632, 1st ED,
2nd Lt Louis F. Prokop	367	16 Dec., 1944.
2nd Lt Anthony P. Barulich	369	GO 637, 1st ED,
2nd Lt Joseph R. Berman	"	18 Dec., 1944.
T/Sgt Louis R. Gilbert	368	"
Capt George C. Schneider	369	GO 643, 1st ED,
1st Lt John P. Heraty	367	21 Dec., 1944.
Capt Arthur Vann	"	GO 653, 1st ED,
1st Lt Robert J. Chrisjohn	368	25 Dec., 1944.
1st Lt Irving I. Greenberg	369	"
T/Sgt Carl G. Barron	"	GO 658, 1st ED,
T/Sgt Fred M. Cannon	423	27 Dec., 1944.
S/Sgt Lawrence F. Pesterfield	368	"
1st Lt Lucien F. Peters	369	GO 663, 1st ED,
1st Lt Warren M. Doman	367	29 Dec., 1944.
1st Lt Paul H. Martin	"	"
1st Lt Gordon A. Spencer	"	GO 664, 1st ED,
1st Lt Raymond B. Evans	369	29 Dec., 1944.
1st Lt Paul K. Marshall	369	"
2nd Lt Richard E. Townsend	367	"

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<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>ORG</u>	<u>GO NO & DATE.</u>
<u>PURPLE HEART</u>		
2nd Lt Charles F. Kimball	423	GO 581 1st ED, 3 Dec., 1944.
S/Sgt Charles Walters	367	"
S/Sgt Clyde K. Umale	369	"
Capt Arthur Vann	367	GO 619, 1st ED, 13 Dec., 1944.
S/Sgt Robert W. Peatross	368	"
S/Sgt Haig Gadarian	"	"
2nd Lt Vernon L. Rasmussen	423	GO 592, 1st ED, 6 Dec., 1944.
T/Sgt John L. Garrett	"	"
T/Sgt Edwin H. McNeil	367	"
S/Sgt Elmer H. Wilke	369	GO 647, 1st ED, 22 Dec., 1944.

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Capt Henderson N. Knight	423	GO 650, 1st ED, 24 Dec., 1944.
M.Sgt Wilbur S. Berks	423	"
M.Sgt George H. Allen	368	"
T/Sgt John L. Morris	423	GO 628, 1st ED, 16 Dec., 1944.
S/Sgt Byron W. Pirtle	368	GO 648, 1st ED, 22 Dec., 1944.





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- 5 Major Harold E. Humal Jr., on temporary duty to the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine for two weeks. Humor immediately had it that this group was Pacific bound!
- 18 S/Sgt Maynard H. Smith, holder of the Congressional Medal of Honor, reduced to the grade of Private. ✓
- 20 1st Lt Hubert R. Jones, Group Ordnance Officer, released from the 43rd Squadron and assigned to Hq., 306th Bomb Gp (H).
Major Charles G. Duy Jr., Group Ground Executive Officer, promoted to Lt Col effective 16 December, 1944.
1st Lt Roger S. Baird, Group Radar Officer, promoted to Captain effective 16 December, 1944.
- 22 Warrant Officer Junior Grade George J. Lamberger assigned to Hq., 306th Bomb Gp (H) as C.O. of Headquarters Detachment, vice Capt. Joseph A. La Votta.
- 27 Private Francis L. Conroy, tried by Courts Martial and found guilty of violation of the 61st, 93rd and 96th Articles of War, is dishonorably discharged from the service and is to be confined at hard labor for ten years at the Federal Reformatory at Chillicothe, Ohio. Sentence adjudged 6 November, 1944.
Major Richard E. Walck, former Executive Officer of the 367th Bomb Sq and now on D.S. at Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, has been assigned to Hq., 306th Bomb Gp (H).
- 31 Captain William C. Van Norman, Group Public Relations Officer, is relieved from Hq., 306th Bomb Gp (H) and assigned to the 368th Bomb Sq. and so ends another year for this organization in the European Theatre of Operations. Happy new year and a quick trip home ! !

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