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HISTORICAL DATA

SQUADRON HISTORY  
390TH FIGHTER SQUADRON  
360TH FIGHTER GROUP

MAY 1945

SQUADRON HISTORIAN - 1ST LT. HENRY B. SPALDEN  
RECORDER - CPL. THOMAS J. GRIFFIN

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1. [Faint text]

2. Summary:

beginning of [unclear]	37	[unclear]
Net increase	1	[unclear]
Net decrease	1	[unclear]
Total at end of [unclear]	37	[unclear]
Total [unclear]	[unclear]	37

3. [Faint text]

4. [Faint text]

5. [Faint text]

... authorized ... center  
of operations, [unclear], at [unclear], subject:  
battle [unclear] award - [unclear], result  
was awarded battle credit for [unclear]  
[unclear].

In accordance with para 1, secret [unclear], [unclear] center  
of operations, [unclear], at [unclear], subject:  
Battle [unclear] award - [unclear], result  
this unit was awarded battle credit for [unclear]  
[unclear].

In accordance with para 1, secret [unclear], [unclear] center  
of operations, [unclear], at [unclear], subject:  
Battle [unclear] award - [unclear], result  
this unit was awarded battle credit for [unclear]  
[unclear].

In accordance with section 1, [unclear], [unclear] with  
[unclear] [unclear], the following received [unclear] [unclear]  
[unclear]:

Capt Alfred W. Benton (transid) 1st Lt Robert S. [unclear] (transid)  
Capt Henry J. Olson " 1st Lt John H. [unclear] (transid)

In accordance with [unclear], [unclear], [unclear] [unclear],  
the following awards were made:

Silver Star (posthumously)  
Capt Meredith J. Perry

Distinguished Flying Cross

Capt Perry W. [unclear] 1st Lt Robert J. [unclear]  
1st Lt Richard C. Fox 1st Lt Gilbert S. [unclear]  
1st Lt Gerald A. Bruce 1st Lt Kenneth L. [unclear]

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MEMORANDUM  
TO: [illegible]  
FROM: [illegible]

CLASSIFICATION  
: [illegible]  
: [illegible]  
: [illegible]  
: [illegible]  
: [illegible]  
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SUBJECT: Battle of Iwo Jima Medals - [illegible] (4)  
TO: Commanding General;  
[illegible]

1. To recognize and give the provisions of [illegible] (10), AR 600-10, 15 October 1964, announcement is made of [illegible] medals [illegible] established [illegible] General Order No. 10, War Department, 1942;

/s/ [illegible]  
/s/ [illegible]  
[illegible]  
[illegible]

*Gregory B. Shale*  
[illegible]  
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REMARKS: Article 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200

TO: Commanding General,  
Strategic Air Command

1. In accordance with the provisions of paragraph 101 (10),  
All AC-119, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200

/s/ W. H. Lovett  
W. H. Lovett  
Major General, USAF  
Director, USAF

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on an armed reconnaissance mission over enemy territory. Although his engine developed a malfunction he immediately elected to remain with his flight which was being attacked by over sixteen hostile planes, and by initiating a brilliant and forceful attack he destroyed one enemy aircraft and was largely instrumental in thwarting the attack of the remainder. Lt OLSON'S daring and intrepid actions on this occasion are exemplary of the finest traditions of the Army Air Forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

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JOHN R. RAUSS, 0300510, Second Lieutenant, US, 333rd Fighter Group. For heroism and extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight in the European theater of operations on 13 November 1944. Lt RAUSS exhibited firm courage and superior flying skill on that date while piloting his P-51 type aircraft on a close support mission over German territory. With complete disregard for his own personal safety Lt RAUSS descended to a dangerously low altitude where he dive-bombed and strafed a hostile artillery installation with telling effect, following with a daring and highly effective attack on tracked vehicles concealed in a nearby woods. By his brilliant performance in reducing an enemy strong point on this occasion Lt RAUSS rendered vital assistance to the advancing ground units. Lt RAUSS is missing in action. Next of kin: Mrs. Pearl A. Rauss (mother), Northampton, Pennsylvania.

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By command of Major General [redacted]

W. W. WILLARD  
Colonel, USMC  
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OFFICIALS:

/s/ J. M. Seebach  
/t/ J. M. SEEBACH  
Colonel, USMC  
Adjutant General

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First Lieut., Air Corps.

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