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24 November 1944
BLACKOUT HOURS:
1730 hrs 24 Nov 1944
0804 hrs 25 Nov 1944

DAILY BULLETIN)

NUMBER 236)

1. OFFICER OF THE DAY 1100 hrs 25 Nov 1944 to 1100 hrs 26 Nov 1944
CAPT LESLIE G. GERDTS O-854169 327th Bomb Sq (H)
2. LIBERTY RUN FOR ENLISTED MEN: 446th Sub-Depot will furnish one officer.
3. PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S THANKSGIVING DAY PROCLAMATION: The following teletype received from 1st Bomb Division, dated 23 November 1944:
"CIRCULAR 432 WD, CURRENT SERIES, SECTION IV READS AS FOLLOWS:
'THANKSGIVING DAY 1944. FOLLOWING PROCLAMATION OF THE PRESIDENT IS
PUBLISHED FOR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE OF ALL CONCERNED:
PROCLAMATION 2629 - THANKSGIVING DAY 1944 - BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA - A PROCLAMATION.

IN THIS YEAR OF LIBERATION WHICH HAS SEEN SO MANY MILLIONS FREED FROM TYRANNICAL RULE IT IS FITTING THAT WE GIVE THANKS WITH SPECIAL FERVOR TO OUR HEAVENLY FATHER FOR THE MERCIES WE HAVE RECEIVED INDIVIDUALLY AND AS A NATION AND FOR THE BLESSING HE HAS RESTORED THROUGH THE VICTORIES OF OUR ARMS AND THOSE OF OUR ALLIES TO HIS CHILDREN IN OTHER LANDS. FOR THE PRESERVATION OF OUR WAY OF LIFE FROM THE THREAT OF DESTRUCTION FOR THE UNITY OF SPIRIT WHICH HAS KEPT OUR NATION STRONG; FOR OUR ABIDING FAITH IN FREEDOM; AND FOR THE PROMISE OF AN ENDURING PEACE WE SHOULD LIFT UP OUR HEARTS IN THANKSGIVING.

FOR THE HARVEST THAT HAS SUSTAINED US AND IN ITS FULLNESS BROUGHT SUCCOR TO OTHER PEOPLES; FOR THE BOUNTY OF OUR SOIL WHICH HAS PRODUCED THE SINEWS OF WAR FOR THE PROTECTION OF OUR LIBERTIES; AND FOR THE PROTECTION OF OUR LIBERTIES; AND FOR A MULTITUDE OF PRIVATE BLESSINGS KNOWN ONLY IN OUR HEARTS WE SHOULD GIVE UNITED THANKS TO GOD, TO THE END THAT WE MAY BEAR EARNEST WITNESS TO OUR GRATITUDE TO ALMIGHTY GOD I SUGGEST A NATION WIDE READING OF THE HOLY SCRIPTURES DURING THE PERIOD FROM THANKSGIVING DAY TO CHRISTMAS.

LET EVERY MAN OF EVERY CREED GO TO HIS OWN VERSION OF THE SCRIPTURES FOR A RENEWED AND STRENGTHENING CONTACT WITH THOSE ETERNAL TRUTHS AND MAJESTIC PRINCIPLES WHICH HAVE INSPIRED SUCH MEASURE TO TRUE GREATNESS AS THIS NATION HAS ACHIEVED.

"NOW THEREFOR, I, FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IN CONSONANCE WITH THE JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE CONGRESS APPROVED DECEMBER 26, 1941, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THURSDAY THE 23RD DAY OF NOVEMBER 1944, A DAY OF NATIONAL THANKSGIVING, AND I CALL UPON THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES TO OBSERVE IT BY BENDING EVERY EFFORT TO HASTEN THE DAY OF FINAL VICTORY AND BY OFFERING TO GOD OUR DEVOUT GRATITUDE FOR HIS GOODNESS TO US AND TO OUR FELLOW MEN.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO BE AFFIXED.

DONE AT THE CITY OF WASHINGTON THIS FIRST DAY OF NOVEMBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 1944, AND OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THE 169TH

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4. PROMOTION OF OFFICERS: The following teletype received from 1st Bomb Division, dated 22 November 1944:

"1BD N-1024-C EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY COMBAT OFFICERS PROMOTED TO 1ST LT WITHOUT REGARDS TO POSITION VACANCY, PER AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN PAR 4D (1), SECTION II, AR 605-12, AS AMENDED, DTD 3 FEB 44, WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED AS OCCUPYING A T/O VACANCY SUBSEQUENT TO PROMOTION ON PERSONAL HISTORY STATEMENT, POSITION VACANCIES FOR GROUND OFFICERS RECOMMENDED FOR PROMOTION TO 1ST LT WILL BE DETERMINED ON THE BASIS OF NON-COMBATANT VACANCIES AUTHORIZED. THIS HOLDS TRUE ONLY ON PROMOTIONS FROM 2ND LT TO 1ST LT.

IN THE FUTURE, RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PROMOTION OF RADAR NAVIGATORS ASSIGNED IN THE T/O POSITION OF "ELECTRONICS OFFICER" WILL CONTAIN FOLLOWING QUALIFYING STATEMENT IN THE BOTTOM MARGIN OF PAGE 1 OF RECOMMENDATION: "SUBJECT OFFICER PERFORMING ADDITIONAL DUTIES AS RADAR NAVIGATOR WHICH INVOLVES PARTICIPATION IN ACTUAL COMBAT." (DOES NOT APPLY TO FIGHTER WING)

TURNER COMBODIV ONE"

By order of Colonel WILSON:

WILLIAM V. CROAK,
Major, AC,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

Edward C. Weizer
EDWARD C. WEIZER,
Captain, AC,
Asst. Adjutant.

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