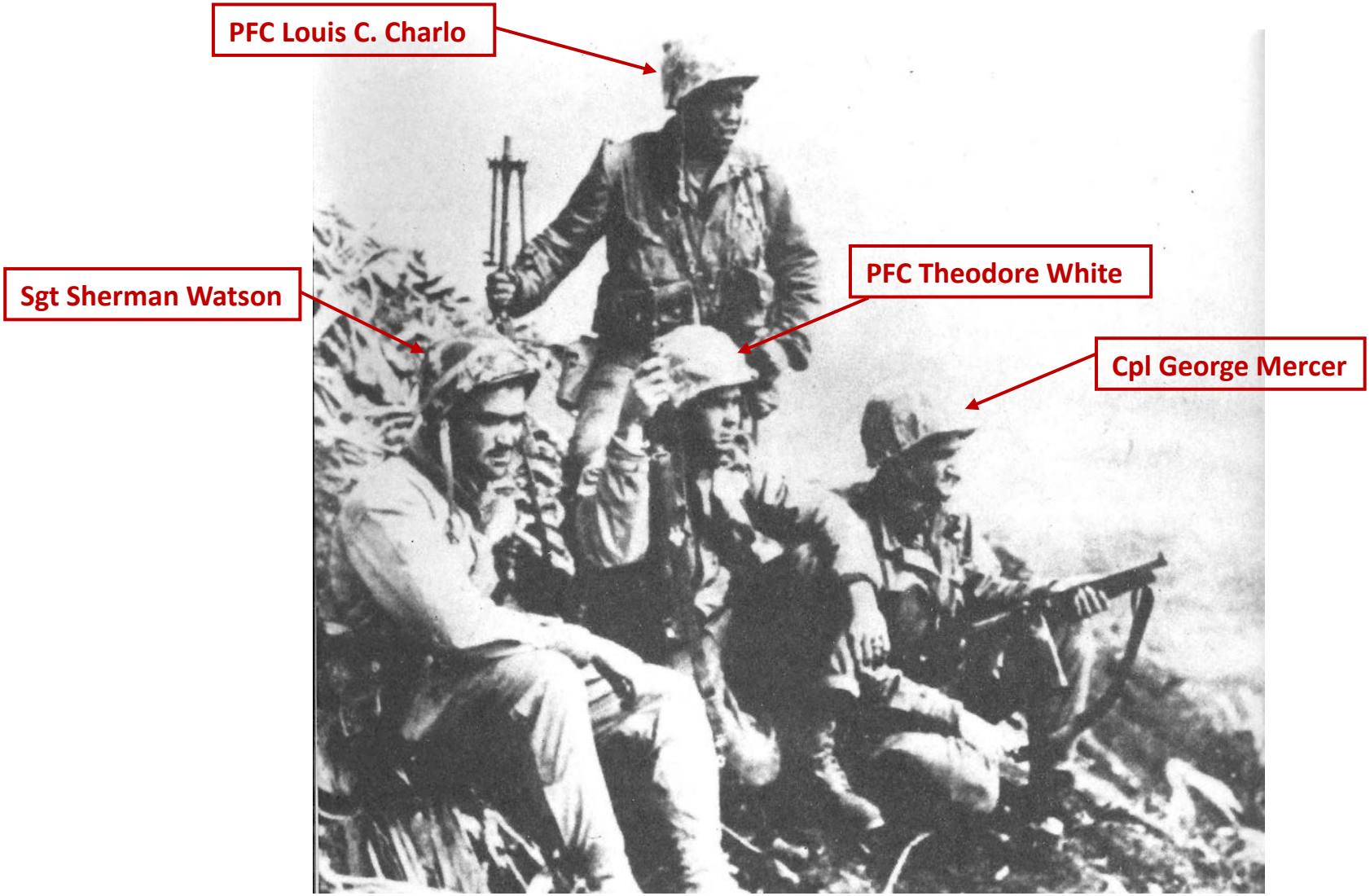
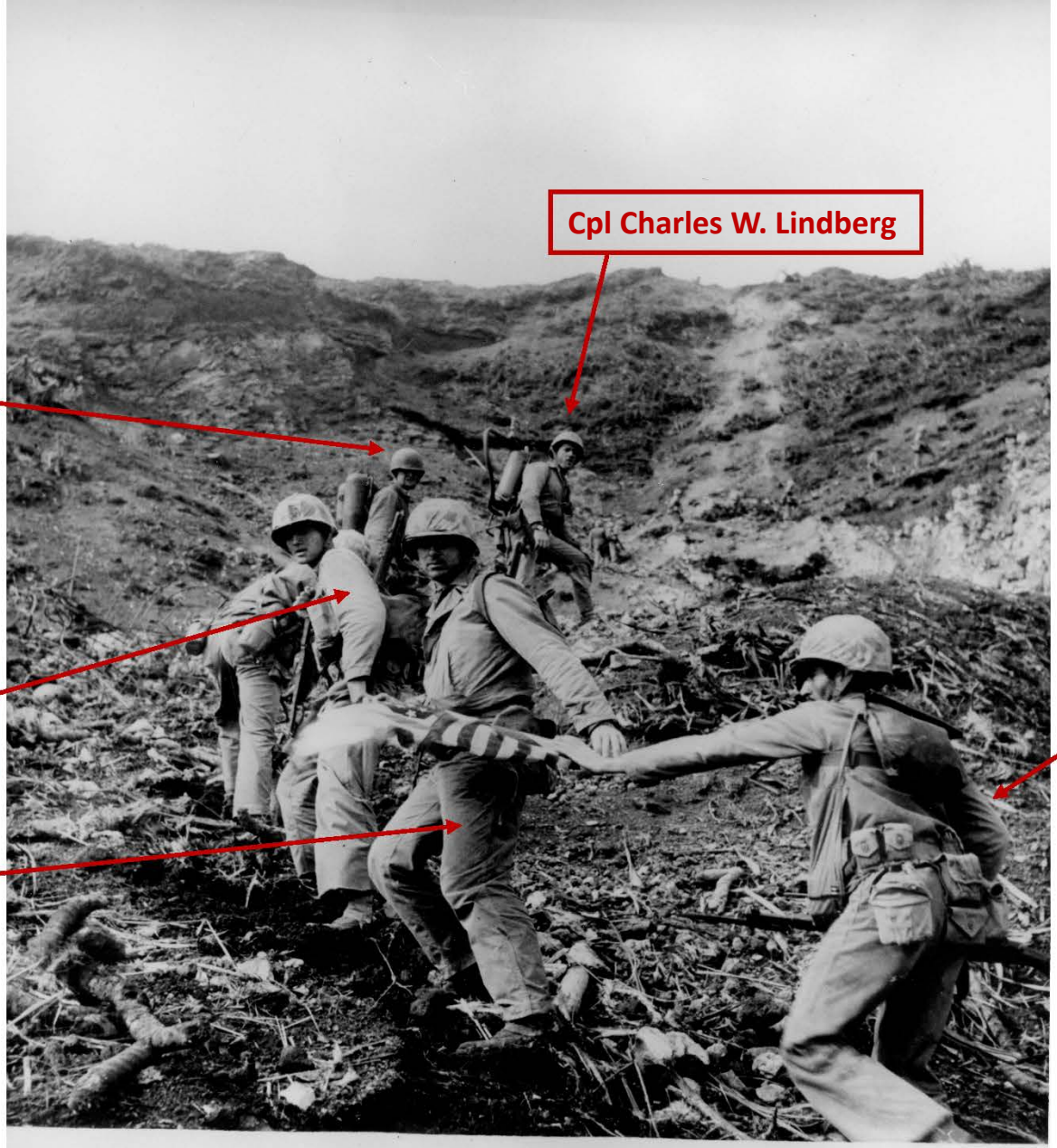
Enclosure 2: Reference Photographs of the First Flag Raising on Iwo Jima, 23 February 1945

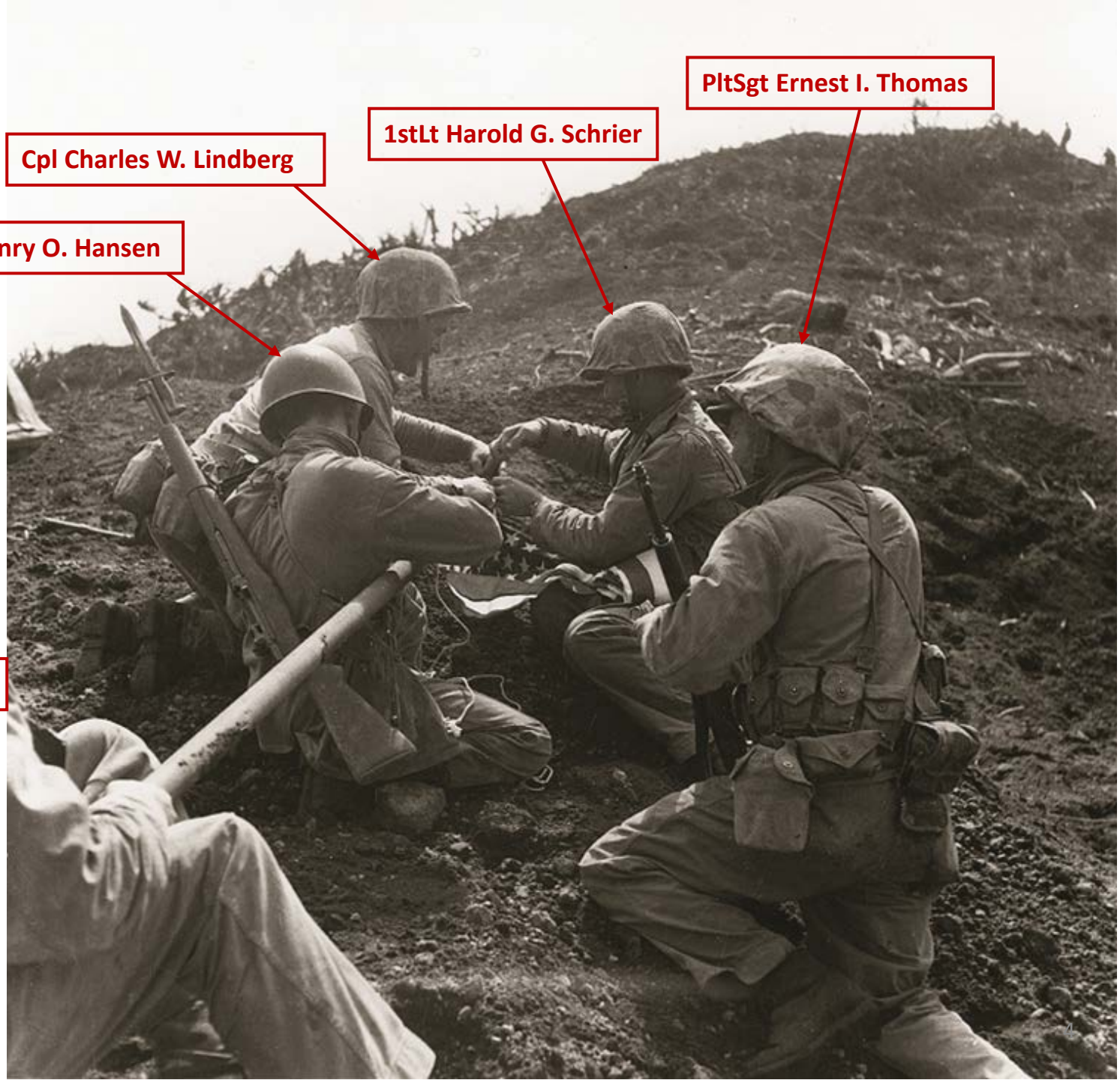
Unless otherwise noted, all photographs were taken by SSgt Louis R. Lowery on 23 February 1945. All identifications were derived from references (a)-(l) and determined by History Division on 01 July 2016.



Photograph of PFC Louis C. Charlo (standing), Sgt Sherman Watson, PFC Theodore White, and Cpl George Mercer (left to right) a day after their scouting party reconnoitered Mount Suribachi. Taken by George Burns, this photograph appeared on the cover of the Pacific edition of *Yank.*



Photographer, fearing that the patrol might not reach the mountain's crest, asks Marines to exhibit the flag. Picture happily proved to be anti-climactic.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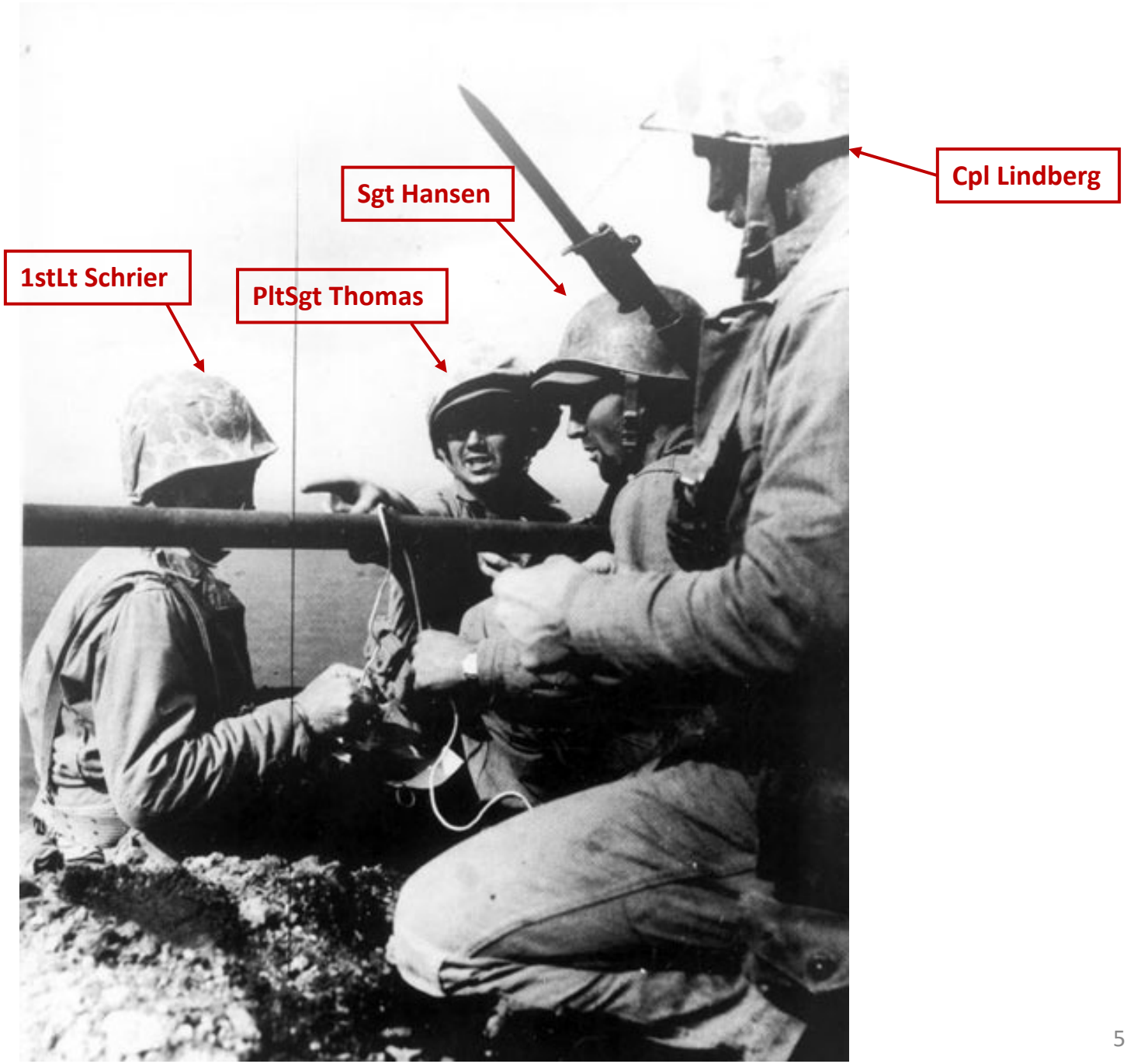
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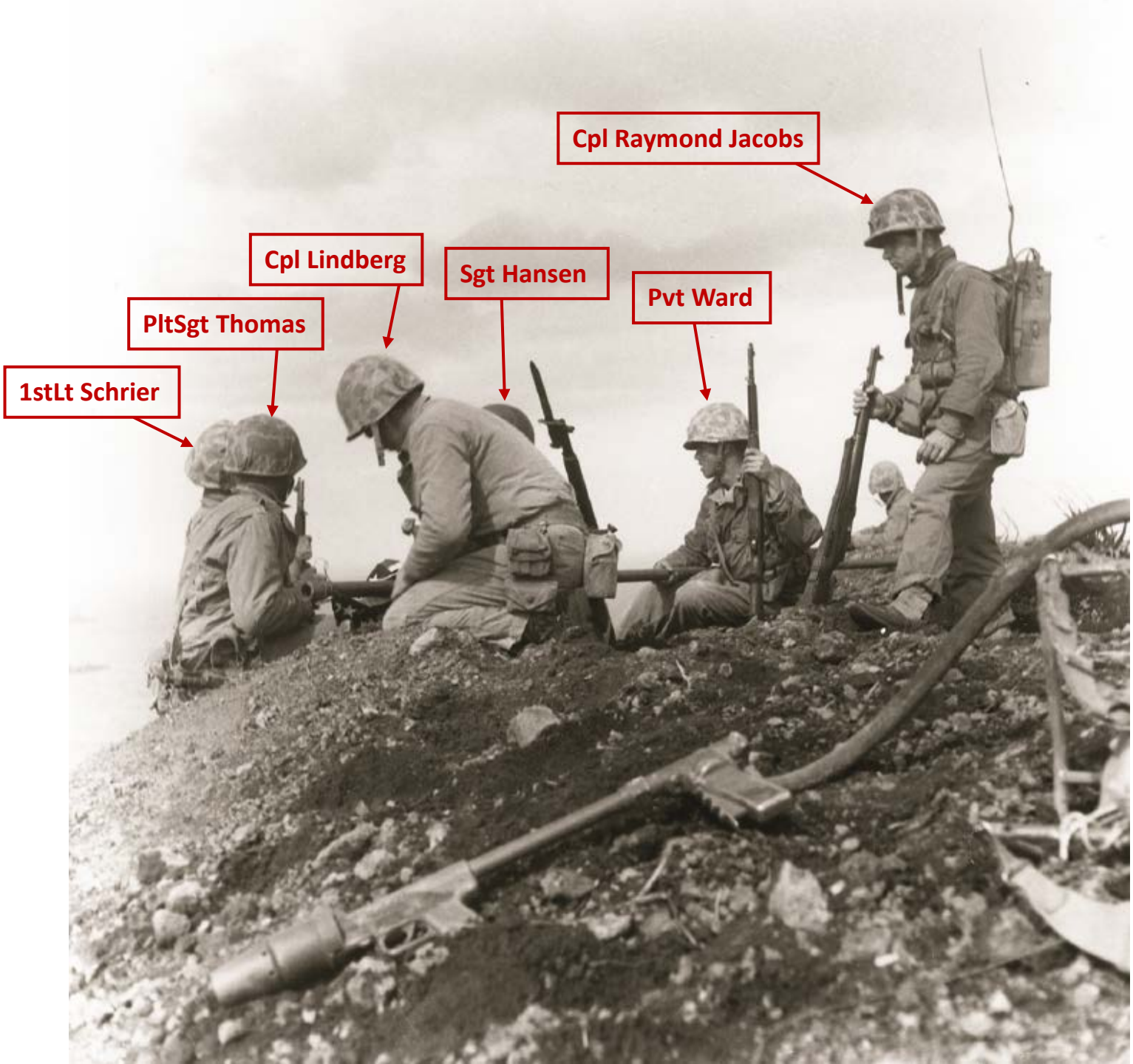
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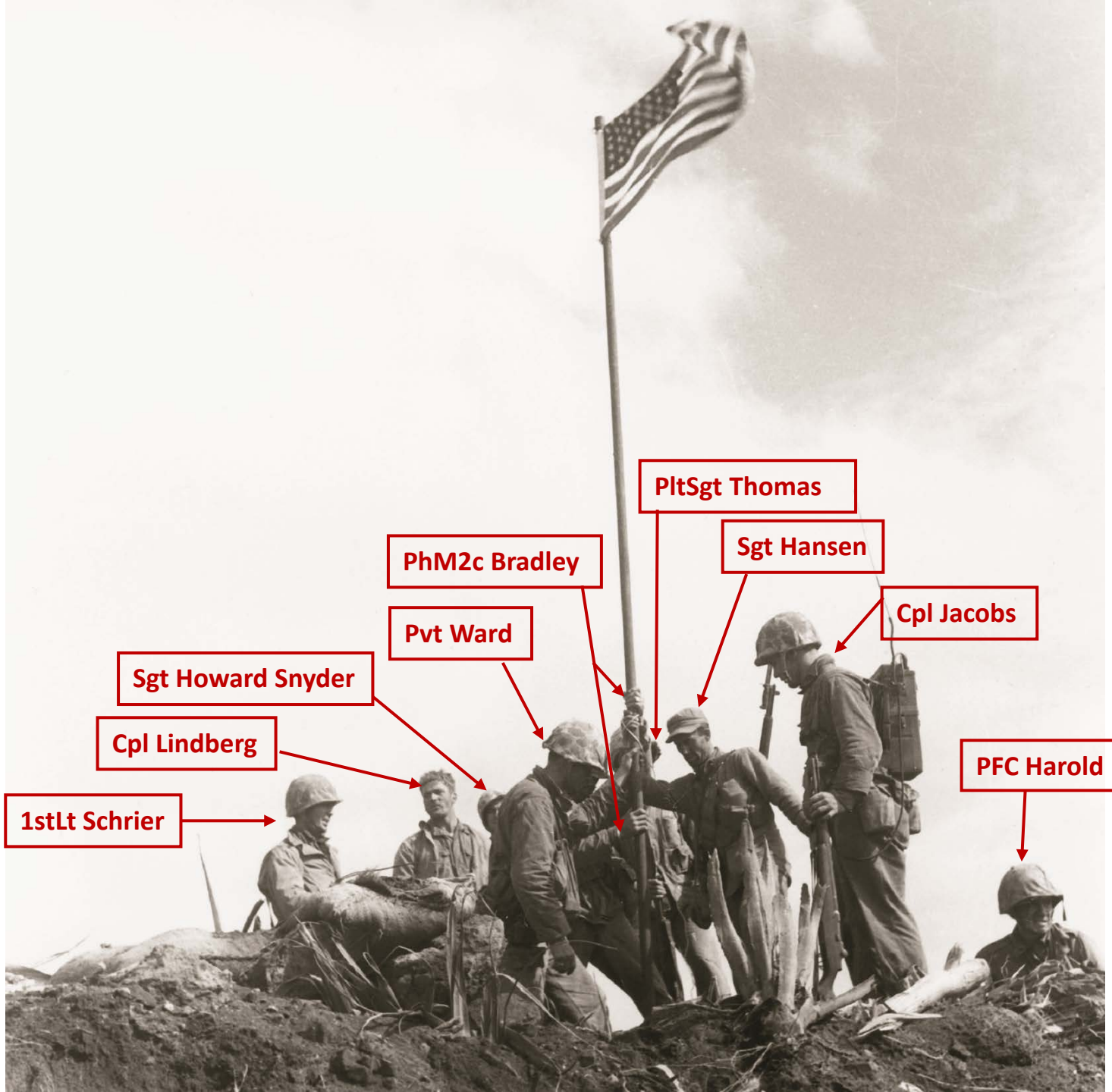
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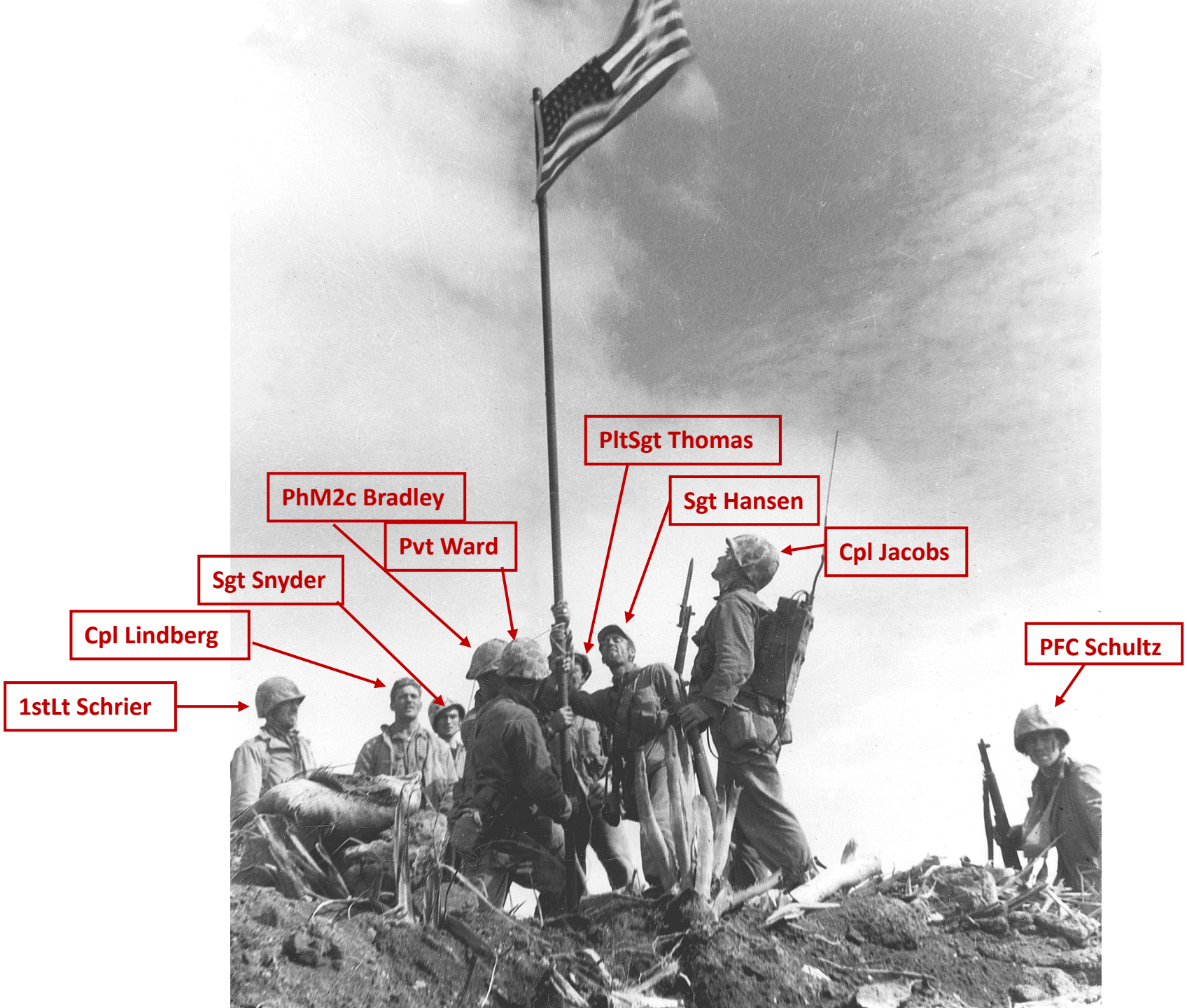
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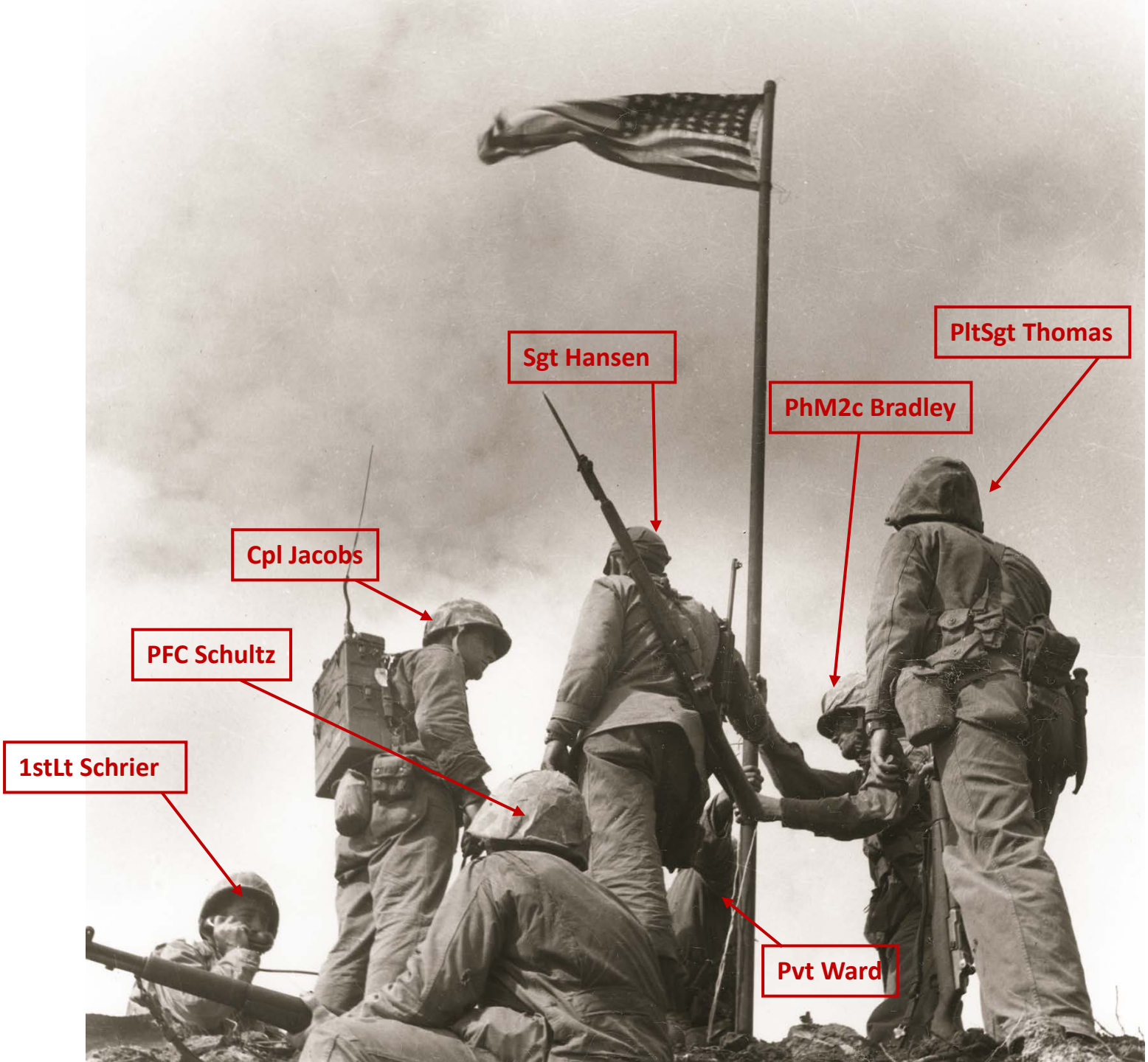
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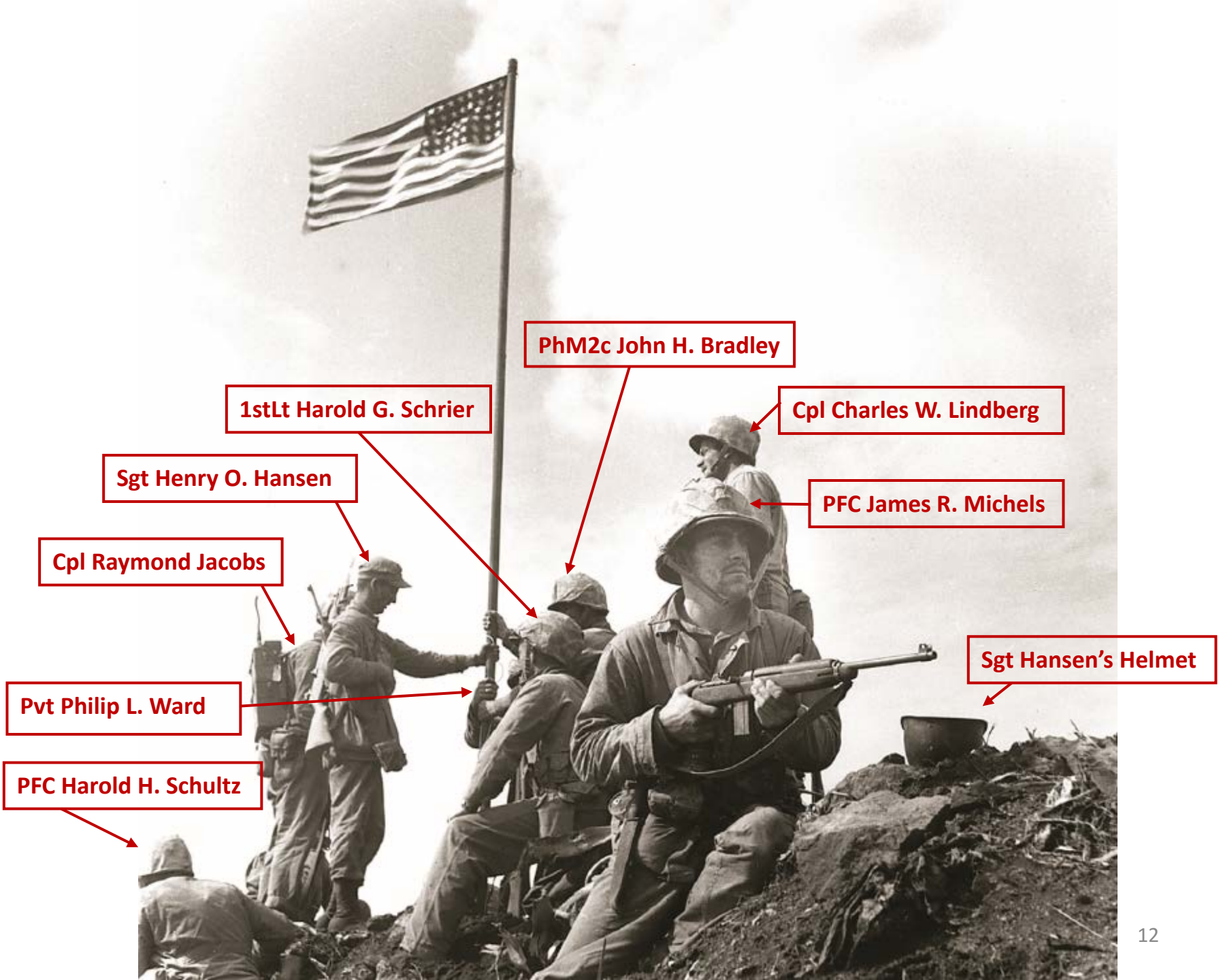
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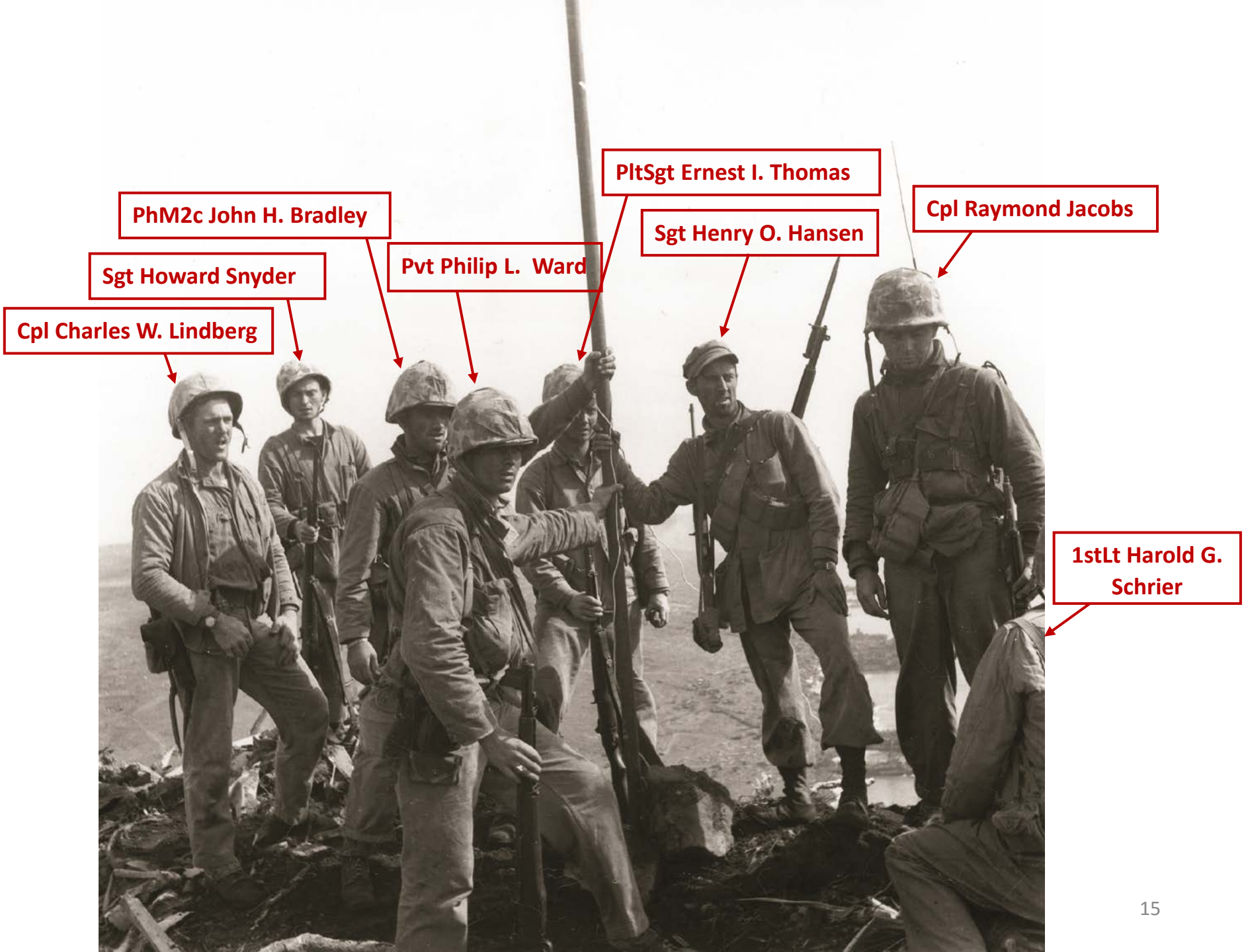
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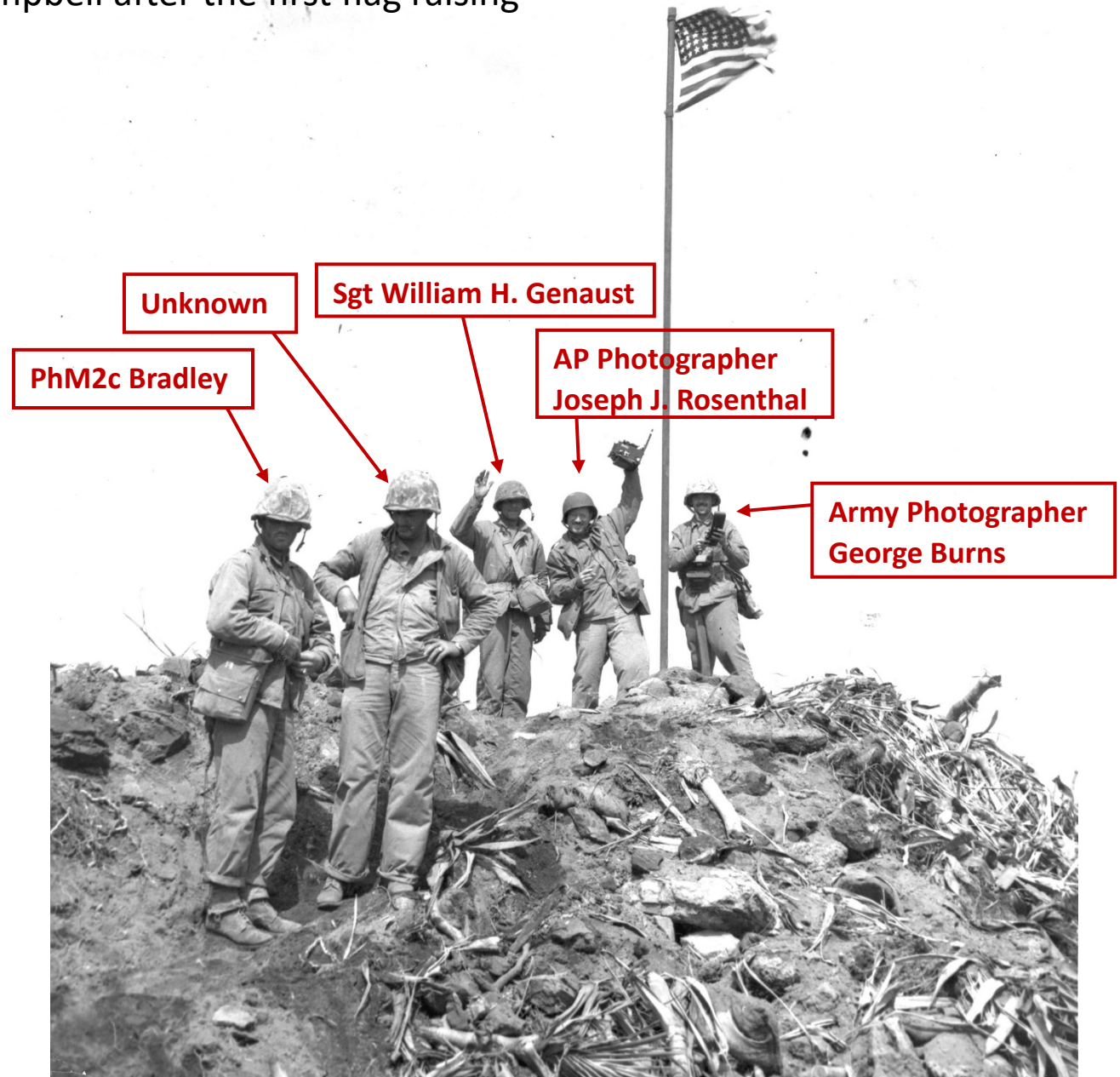
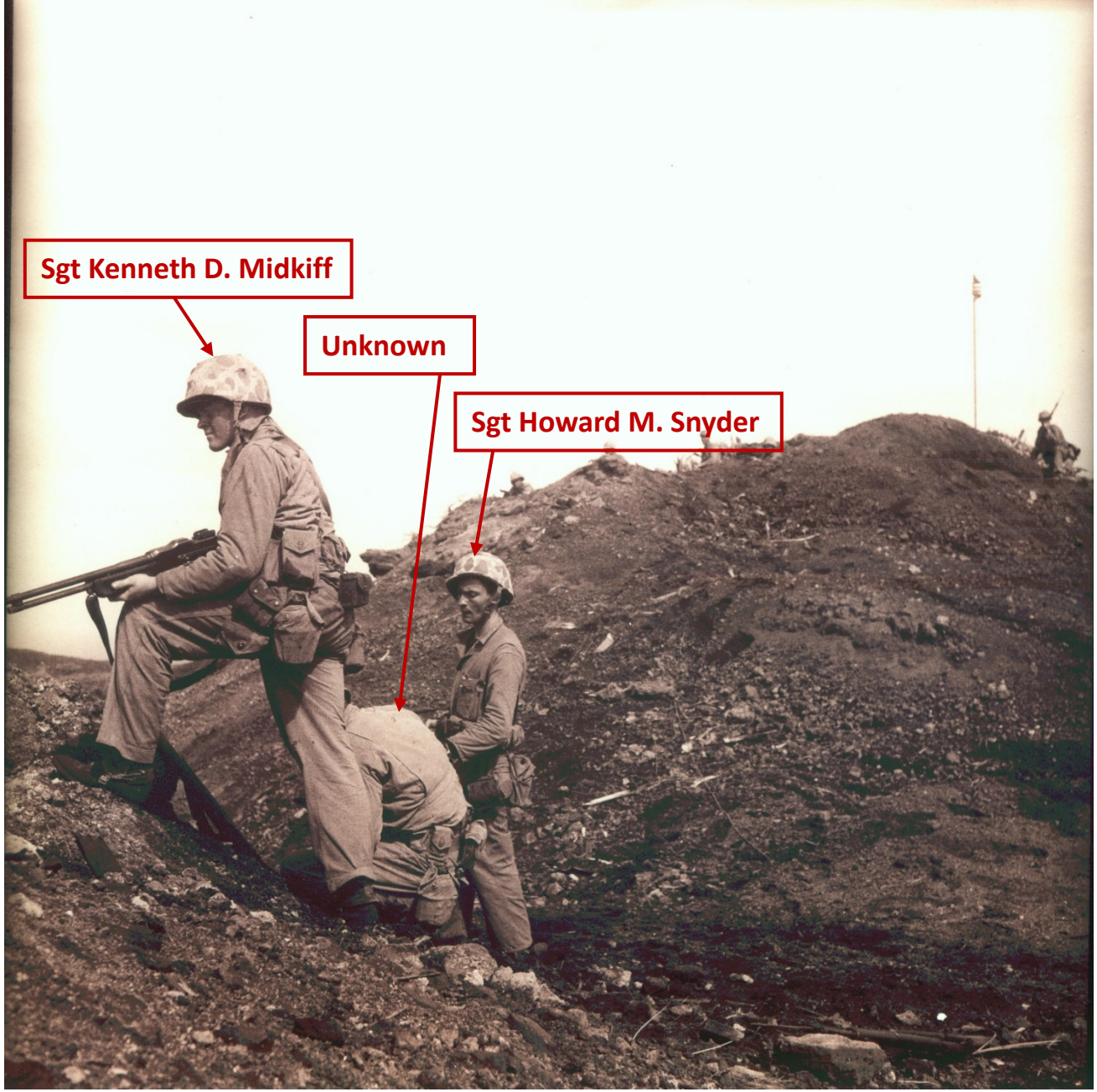
Photograph of PhM2c John H. Bradley, an unknown Marine, Sgt William Genaust, Joseph Rosenthal, and George Burns, taken by PFC Robert R. Campbell after the first flag raising





Photograph of Sgt Kenneth D. Midkiff and Sgt Howard M. Snyder, taken by photographer SSgt Louis Lowery after the first flag raising

Photograph of PFC Louis C. Charlo, taken by Sgt Louis R. Burmeister after the first flag raising on Mount Suribachi, Iwo Jima, 23 February 1945

“Gung Ho” photograph, taken by AP photographer Joseph J. Rosenthal after the second flag raising on Mount Suribachi, Iwo Jima, 23 February 1945

Comparison Photographs with Known Portrait Identifications

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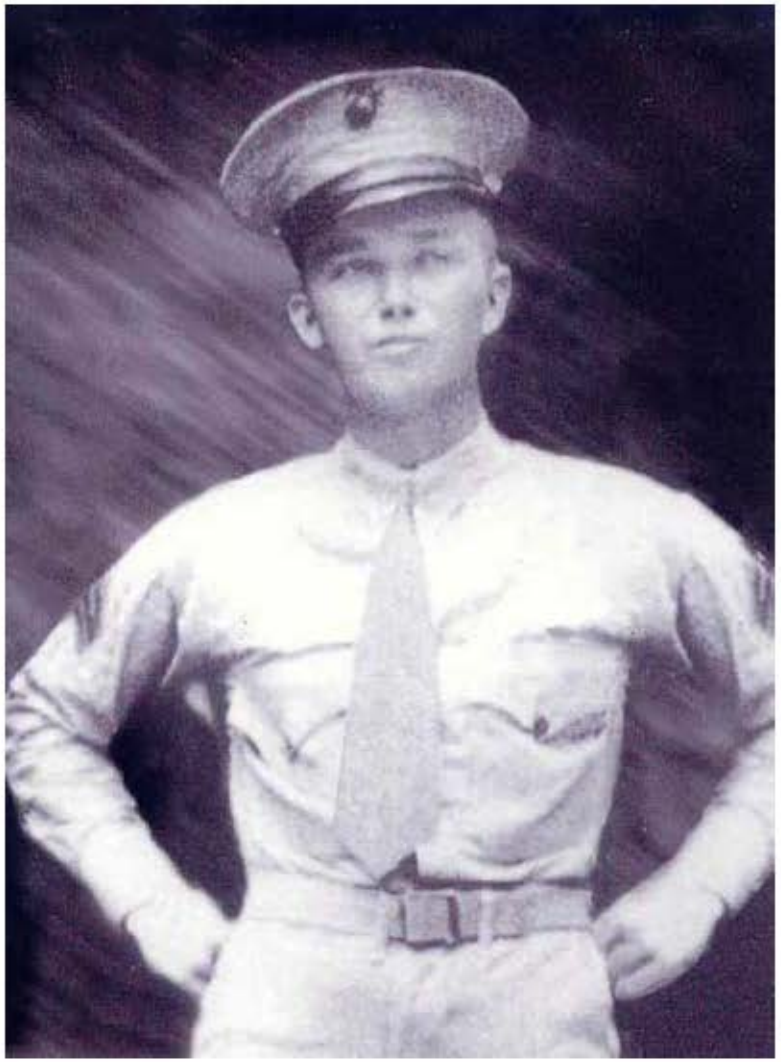

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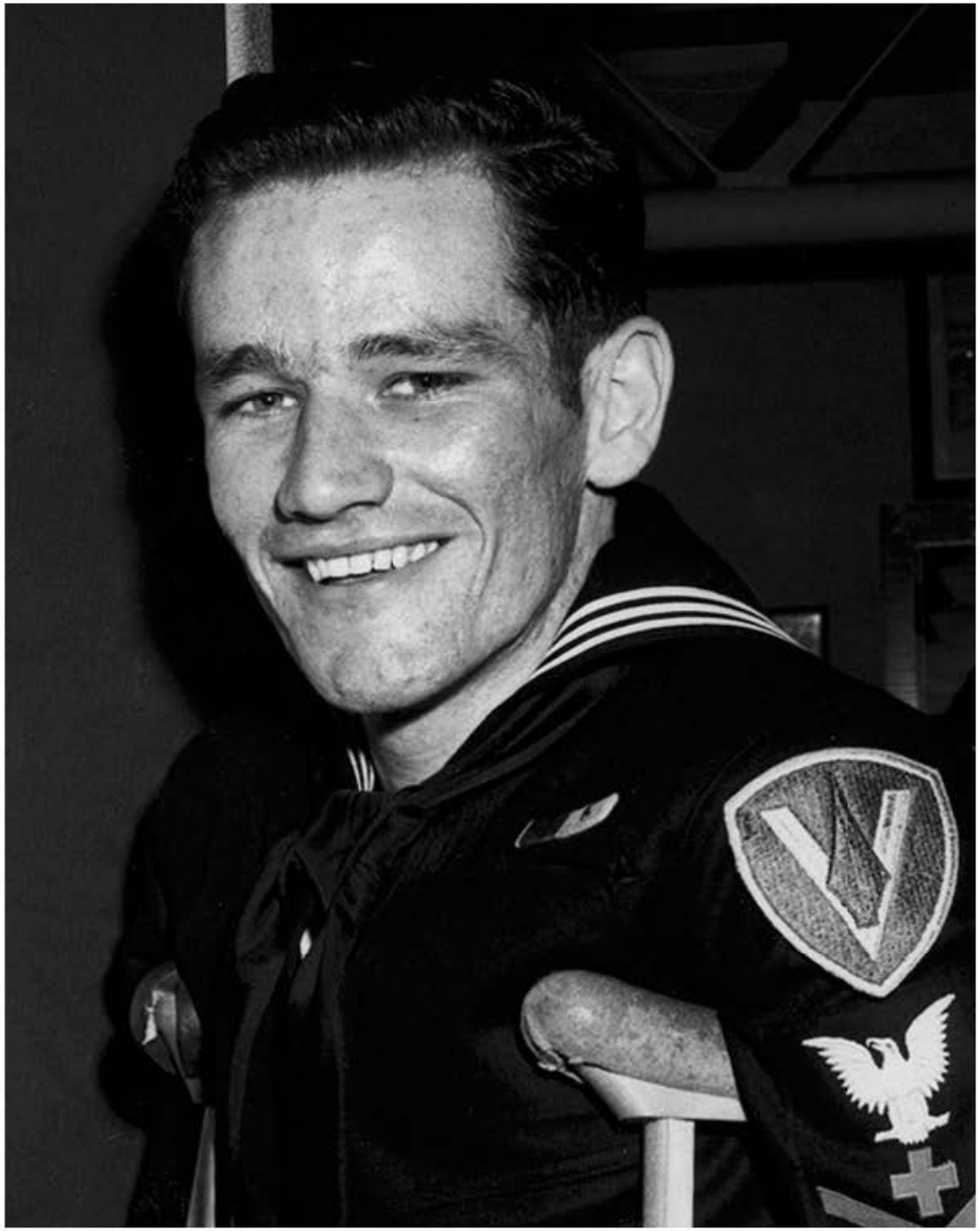

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