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MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

REPORT: This report will be compiled in triplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an air crew member is officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location, by Lane England; Command or Air Force 3 A.F.
Group 457 Bomb. Gr. (H); Squadron 751st; Detachment _____
2. SPECIES: Place of Departure Station 130; Course _____
Target or Intended Destination Berniers, Germany; Type of Mission _____
Objective Bombing
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: _____
10/10th's cloud cover.
4. DATE: (a) Day 2 month Nov. Year 1944; Time 1255; and Location of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft. Approx. 51-35N 11-25W to 51-10N 11-10E.
(b) Specify whether aircraft was last sighted (X); Last contacted by radio (); Forced down (); Seen to crash (); or Information Not Available ().
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one) Enemy aircraft (X); Enemy anti-aircraft (); Other Circumstances as follows: _____
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17G; AAF Serial Number 43-37766 ✓
7. NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT, if any: "Dolores"
8. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97; AAF Serial Number _____
(a) S-017336; (b) S-017373; (c) SF-021519; (d) SW-019677
9. INSTALLED ALFOS (Furnish below date, type and serial number):
(a) 1215790; (b) 1302729; (c) 1212159; (d) 1213544;
(e) 1212115; (f) 1212290; (g) 1213452; (h) 1212295;
(i) 1213562; (j) 1213431; (k) 1212305; (l) 1213560;
(m) _____; (n) _____; (o) _____; (p) _____
10. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty _____
11. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 9; Passengers 0; Total 9
(Starting with Pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 11 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form.)

Crew Position	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Current Status	
1. Pilot	<u>M. Morrow, Earl A.</u>	<u>1st Lt.</u>	<u>0751562</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>RTD</u>
2. CP	<u>W. Stenach, William (H)</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0762057</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>RTD</u>
3. N	<u>W. Shaffer, George E. Jr.</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0720020</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>RTD</u>
4. B	<u>V. Lisica, Samuel J.</u>	<u>F/O</u>	<u>12897</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>RTD</u>
5. TTG	<u>Upton, Clifford A.</u>	<u>T/Sgt.</u>	<u>16017745</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>RTD</u>
6. RO	<u>V. Lindquist, Charles</u>	<u>T/Sgt.</u>	<u>37656278</u>	<u>MIA</u>	
7. WG	<u>W. Salarno, Joseph P.</u>	<u>S/Sgt.</u>	<u>36876085</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>K/A</u>
8. BTG	<u>W. Koerner, Robert K.</u>	<u>S/Sgt.</u>	<u>35915113</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>K/A</u>
9. TG	<u>H. Pannell, Harold J.</u>	<u>S/Sgt.</u>	<u>37510147</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>K/A</u>

12. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMNS TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:
Check Only One Column
- | Name in Full
(Last Name First) | Serial Number | Contacted by Radio | Last Sighted | Saw Crash | Forced Landing |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------|-----------|----------------|
| 1. _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 2. _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 3. _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

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13. IF PERSONS ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, A STATE TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING REASONS: (a) Parachutes were used _____; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____; or (c) Any other reason (Specify)

See para. 6 and 7 of S-2 Summary of Eye-Witness Account.

14. ATTACH ALL PHOTOGRAPHS, MAPS, CHARTS, OR SKETCHES, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF CRASH, INCLUDING LAST KNOWN HEAD OFFICE.

15. ATTENTION TO WITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER SITUATION OCCURRING TO ASSIST IN INVESTIGATION.

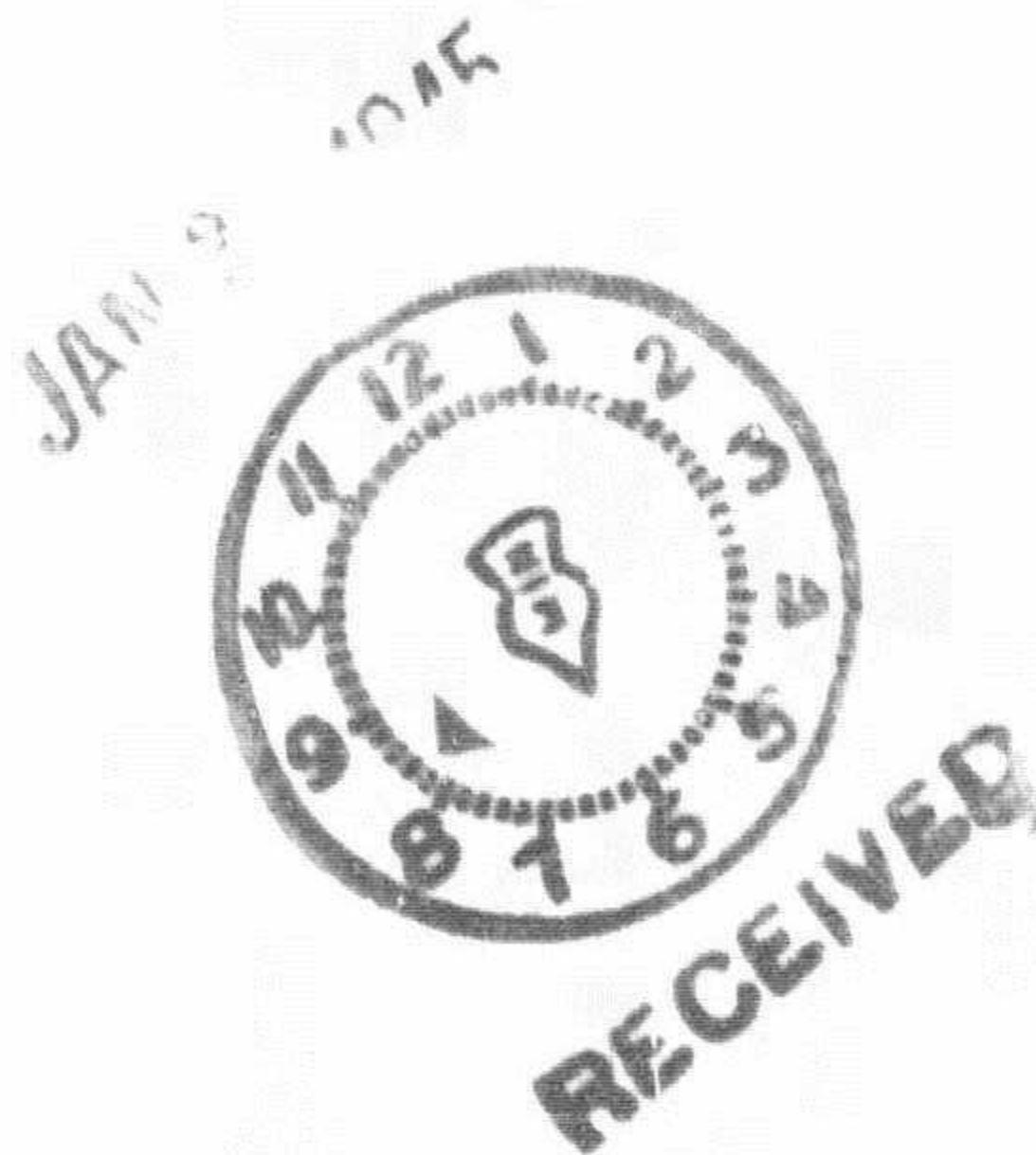
16. CIVILIAN, MILITARY SERVICEMAN OR OFFICER IN CHARGE OF SEARCH, IF ANY, TO CHECK & DESCRIBE SEARCH AREA.

Date of Report 12 November 1944

Gerald H. Galligan
(Signature of Preparing Officer)

GERALD H. GALLIGAN,
Capt., A. C.,
Air Statistical Officer.

17. NAMES OF ALL WITNESSES STATE IN THIS:



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(S-2 Summary of
Eye-Witness Accounts)

C O N F I D E N T I A L

(S-2 Summary of
Eye-Witness Accounts)

Instructions: 1. If aircraft returned, only questions 6 and 7 are applicable. 2. Question number 5 not applicable to Fighter Groups. 3. Summary will be prepared in five copies, four of which will be forwarded. 4. Interrogating Officer will sign original and second copy.

GROUP 457th Sqdn. 751st A/C No. 43-37766

MISSION DATE 2 November 1944 FIRST PILOT Earl M. Morrow
(Name)

1st Lt. 0-751562 DESTINATION Merseburg
(Rank) (Serial No.)

1. Position of missing aircraft when last sighted or contacted:

(a) By coordinates Approximately 5135-1125 to 5110-1110

(b) Approximate altitude Unknown

(c) Last noted heading Unknown

(d) If out of formation, approximate distance from formation Unknown

2. Describe enemy opposition (intensity of flak, intensity and method of enemy fighter attack, etc., with particular reference to missing A/C):

Approximately 40 enemy aircraft bounced group at about 1248 to 1258, 17 to 27 minutes after bombs away, in area between above coordinates. They attacked from the tail between 5 and 8 o'clock. They came in in waves, but each of them appeared to single out an individual B-17 to attack.

3. Description of extent of damage to missing aircraft (including fires, explosions, etc):

No description.

4. If aircraft was out of control describe appearance:

No description.

(Over)

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5. If distressed aircraft was out of formation, was it last seen with
escort? No If so, give distinguishing markings of Fighter
Group if noted (Group number, color and/or fighter aircraft numbers,
nicknames, etc.): _____

6. Number of parachutes seen and description of jumps (approximate
altitude, time between jumps, etc.):

None seen.

7. Any other remarks not covered by above: This was one of seven aircraft shot
down from the low squadron. There was also one aircraft shot down from each of the lead
and high squadrons. The squadrons were flying in group formation. The confusion caused
by the attack makes the accuracy of the reports doubtful. There were a number of re-
ports from crew members about unidentified B-17's going down, with engines, wings, or
tails on fire; about unidentified parachutes being seen; and about unidentified air-
craft blowing up; and one or two reports about unidentified aircraft colliding. A/C
43-37766 was not identified in any eye-witness report.

8. Date of report 12 November 1944

EYE-WITNESSES:	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>A.S.N.</u>	<u>A/C No.</u>
* 1.	<u>Alfred C. Hetrick</u>	<u>Sgt.</u>	<u>13188326</u>	<u>43-31505</u>
* 2.	<u>William D. Mock</u>	<u>1st Lt.</u>	<u>0-763707</u>	<u>44-3152</u>
* 3.	<u>Richard J. Rementeria</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-557544</u>	<u>42-97649</u>
* 4.	<u>Leonard G. Stoner</u>	<u>1st Lt.</u>	<u>0-772767</u>	<u>42-32101</u>

INTERROGATING OFFICER (Sign Original and One Copy):

Hugh M. Hamill
HUGH M. HAMILL 1st Lt. 0-571919 Asst. Gp. S-2
(Name) (Rank) A.S.N. Duty

NOTE: Supplemental information developing subsequent to this account will
be forwarded in manner prescribed in par 6, letter WD, AG, 704
(5 July 44) OB-S-447-1, subject "Missing Air Crew Report", 7 July 44.

* These are witnesses of unidentified B-17's going down. None of them
identified aircraft 43-37766.

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LINDQUIST, Char. E.

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1st Ind.

(C-B-4)

HEADQUARTERS, AAF STATION 130, APO 557, 24 December 1944.

TO: Commanding General, Communications Zone, ETOUSA, APO 871
ATTN: AG Casualty Division (THRU: Channels.)

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For the Commanding Officer:

K. A. BRADUNAS, Lt. Col., AC

F. M. MUNCH, Capt., AC

1 Incl:

n/c

Basic: Ltr fr 457th Bomb Gp, 14 Dec 44, subj: Release of Casualty Information,
re: T/Sgt Charles E. Lindquist, 37656278.

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2nd Ind.

(G/D/11)

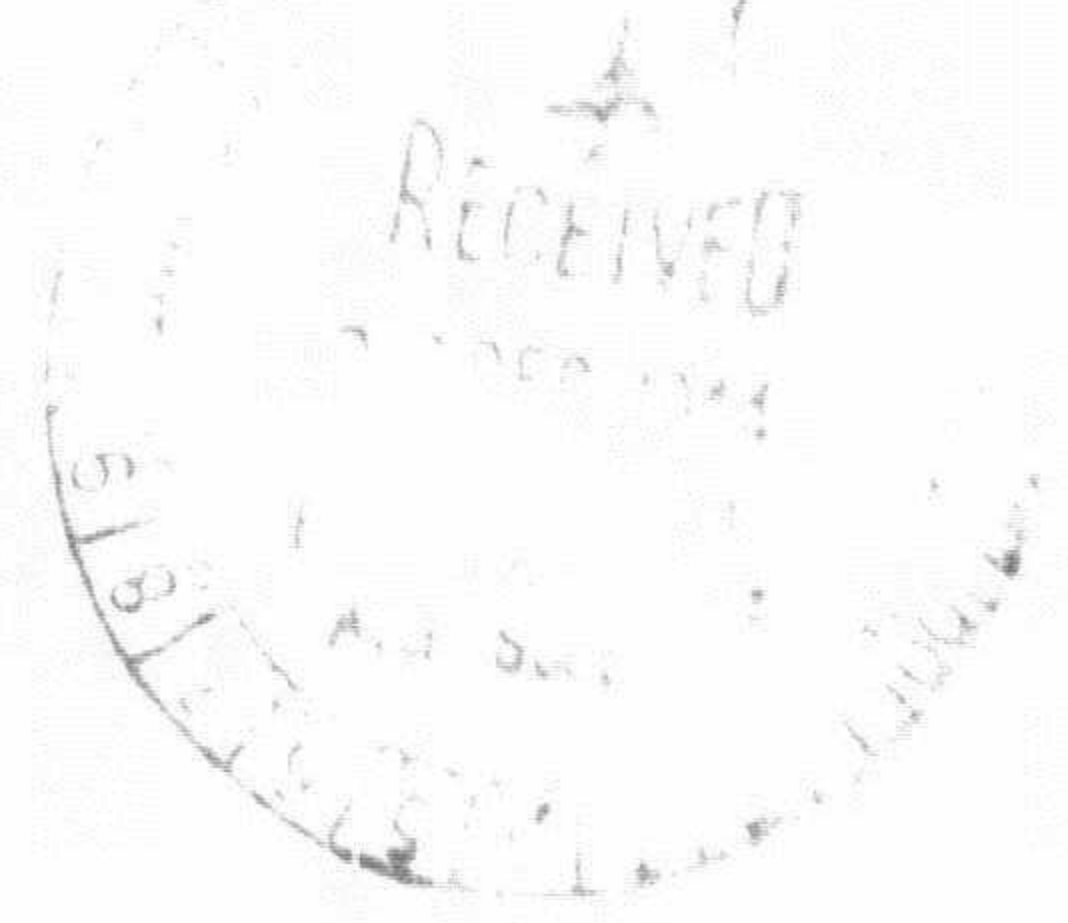
HEADQUARTERS, 1ST BOMBARDMENT DIVISION, APO 557, 28 December 1944.

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Air Force, AAF Station 101, APO 634.

Attention is invited to basic communication.

For the Commanding General:

Harry Hance
HARRY T. HANCE
Major, AGD
Asst. Adjutant General



1 Incl: n/c

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per authority TAG

by *WZS* Date *2-5-45*

Wesley Z. Shippe
2d Lt., A.G.D.

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751st BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
457th BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
AAF STATION 130
APO 5 57

WCM/wpr

14 December 1944

SUBJECT: Release of Casualty Information.

TO : Commanding General, Communications Zone, ETOUSA, APO 871,
"Attention: AG Casualty Division" (Thru: Channels).

1. In compliance with Ltr., Headquarters Eighth Air Force, AAF Station 101, dd 27 July 1944., Subject: Release of Casualty Information, the following information is submitted:
2. T/Sgt. Charles Lindquist, ASN 37656278, a member of this organization has been MIA since 2 November 1944, after a mission to Mersberg, Germany. His Aircraft, a B-130, #43-37766, was hit by Enemy Aircraft between 1250 and 1300 hours in area between 51 N-1125E and 5110N-110E.
3. Aircraft was flying #2, position, low flight, low squadron and only lead Aircraft in this squadron returned and no eye witness accounts of the attack are available.

For the Commanding Officer:



WILLIAM C. MCKONE,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

1 Incl:

Incl 1- Ltr from Mrs J.W. Landegren (Aunt of EM concerned)

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CASUALTY INTERROGATION FORM
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

THE FAMILIES OF MANY OF YOUR COMRADES HAVE NOT BEEN AS FORTUNATE AS YOURS. THEIR SONS AND HUSBANDS HAVE BEEN REPORTED MISSING IN ACTION AND THEY ARE ANXIOUSLY WAITING TO LEARN THEIR FATE. YOU MAY BE ABLE TO SUPPLY THE INFORMATION WHICH WILL HELP TO TERMINATE THE SUSPENSE AND ANXIETY THEY ARE SUFFERING.

IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE DEATH IN ACTION OR DURING IMPRISONMENT OF ANY MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES YOU ARE REQUESTED TO FURNISH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT THE DECEASED:

FULL NAME OF DECEASED
Robert K. Koerner

HOME TOWN OR STATE
Near Cleveland, Ohio

GRADE OR RANK
S/Sgt. B-17 Ball Gunner

ORGANIZATION
8th AAF, 457 Bomb Group, 751 Sq.

DATE AND PLACE OF DEATH
2 Nov 44; Mercesberg, Germany

CAUSE OF DEATH
I was piloting our B-17 when we were hit by German fighters and their fire tore off our tail and left wing. Believe Koerner was killed instantly in the ship by enemy fire and he didn't have a chance to bail out.

PLACE OF BURIAL
Unknown

WERE YOU AN EYEWITNESS TO HIS DEATH
No

NAMES OF PERSONS BELIEVED TO HAVE WITNESSED HIS DEATH
**Fellow Crewman
S/Sgt. Harold Pannell, Tail Gunner
Joplin, Mo.**

IF YOUR INFORMATION IS HEARSAY
GIVE NAME AND ADDRESS OF YOUR INFORMANT

SIGN HERE Earl M. Morrow
Name and Serial Number

~~1st Lt. Earl M. Morrow, O-751562~~
our home address
~~RD/1, Granville, N. Y.~~

NOTE: THIS FORM IS FOR USE BY CASUALTY BRANCH, THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON 25, D. C. ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THE FORM ARE AVAILABLE TO YOU. PLEASE FILL ONE OUT FOR EACH MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES WHOM YOU KNOW OR BELIEVE TO BE DEAD.

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FULL NAME OF DECEASED **Joseph P. Salerno**

HOME TOWN OR STATE **Benton Harbor, Mich.**

GRADE OR RANK **S/Sgt.** **B-17 W. Gunner**

ORGANIZATION **8th AAF, 457 Bomb Group, 751 Sq.**

DATE AND PLACE OF DEATH **2 Nov 44; Mercesberg, Germany**

CAUSE OF DEATH **I was piloting our B-17 when we were hit by German fighters and their fire tore off the tail and left wing. Believe Salerno died in the ship from enemy fire and didn't have a chance to bail out.**

PLACE OF BURIAL **Unknown**

WERE YOU AN EYEWITNESS TO HIS DEATH **No**

NAMES OF PERSONS BELIEVED TO HAVE WITNESSED HIS DEATH **Yellow Crewman
S/Sgt. Harold Pannell, Tail Gunner,
Joplin, Mo.**

IF YOUR INFORMATION IS HEARSAY
GIVE NAME AND ADDRESS OF YOUR
INFORMANT

31 July 1945

SIGN HERE

Earl M. Morrow

Name and Serial Number

1st Lt. Earl M. Morrow, O-751562

RD#1, Granville, N. Y.

Your home address

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**Meldung über den Abschluß eines
US-amerikanischen Flugzeuges**

Abschuß-Nr. KU 1140 A

Abschußtag und Zeit: 2.11.44 -
Abschußort: Bieleben
Flugzeugtyp: Fortress
Meldende Dienststelle: Bieleben

Besatzung:

Name und Vornamen: Geburtstag und -ort:	Dienst- grad	Erk.- Marke:	Verbleib:	
			gef.: verw.: tot:	welches Lager Art d. Verwundung Grablage

MORROW	Earl Montgomery	1.Lt.	0-751562	gef.	Dulag-Luft West
STEMACH	William	2.Lt.	0-762057	gef.	Dulag-Luft West

Bemerkungen:

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DULAG-LUFT, den 19.12.44 Wo.

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SANTA ANA ARMY AIR BASE
Santa Ana, California

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Date of Interrogation 26 Oct 45

FULL NAME OF DECEASED SALERNO, Joseph P. S/Sgt Waist Gunner
Last First Initial Rank Position
HOME TOWN OR STATE Unknown
UNIT 457th Bomb Gp, 751st Bomb Sp.
DATE OF MISSION 2 Nov 44 TYPE AIRCRAFT B-17
DATE AND PLACE OF DEATH 2 Nov 44, near Merceberg, Germany

KNOWN INFORMATION:

S/Sgt Salerno was presumably killed, when the plane was attacked by fighters and he also went down with it. Other members of the crew didn't see him bail out from the burning plane.

HEARSAY INFORMATION:

William J. Wieland
Interrogating Officer
WILLIAM J. WIELAND
1st Lt., Air Corps

William Stumach
William Stumach 2nd Lt 0-762057
Source's Name & ASN
129 4th St Eureka, Calif.
Home address

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Date of Interrogation 26 Oct 45

FULL NAME OF DECEASED LINDQUIST, Delbert (unknown) T/Sgt. Radio Operator
Last First Initial Rank Position

HOME TOWN OR STATE Unknown

UNIT 751st Bomb Sq, 457th Bomb Gr.

DATE OF MISSION 2 Nov 44 TYPE AIRCRAFT B-17

DATE AND PLACE OF DEATH 2 Nov 44, near Merceburg, Germany

KNOWN INFORMATION:

T/Sgt Lindquist was presumably killed when plane was attacked by fighters and he also went down with it. Other crew members did not see him bail out from the burning plane.

HEARSAY INFORMATION:

William Wieland
Interrogating Officer
WILLIAM J. WIELAND
1st Lt., Air Corps

William Stenach ASV 0-761029
Source's Name & ASN
129 3rd St Eureka, Calif.
Home address

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Date of Interrogation 26 Oct 45

FULL NAME OF DECEASED KOERNER, Robert (unknown) S/Sgt. Ball Turret
Last First Initial Rank Position
HOME TOWN OR STATE Unknown

UNIT 751st Bomb Sq, 457th Bomb Gp.

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Source's Name & ASN

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1. Joseph P. Salerno, S/Sgt
2. Waist Gunner
3. 457th Bomb Grp. - 751st Bomb Sqw.
4. 2 Nov. 1944
5. Prior to take off.
6. Shot down by enemy aircraft over Germany.
Plane in flames at time of bail out.
- 7.
8. Waist gunner was laying down in waist near gun presumably hit, injured or dead and was not seen to have bailed out. This information was obtained from tail gunner and can be assumed to be reliable

William Stenach
2nd Lt AC O-762057

1. Albert Lindquist 1/Sgt.
2. Radio Operator
3. 457th Bomb Grp - 751st Bomb Sqn.
4. 2 Nov. 1944
5. Prior to take off
6. Shot down by enemy aircraft over Germany.
Plane in flames at time of bail out.
- 7.
8. Radio operator was laying down in waist
near waist gunner presumably hit, injured
or dead and was not seen to have bailed
out. This information was obtained from
tail gunner and can be assumed to
be reliable.

William Stemach
2nd LT AC O-762057

1. Robert Koerner S/Sgt. RESTRICTED

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2. Ball Turret Gunner

3. 457th Bomb Grp - 757st Bomb Sqn.

4. 2 Nov. 1944

5. Prior to take-off

6. Shot down by enemy aircraft over Germany.
Main in flames at time of bail out.

7.

8. Have no hearsay information on Sgt.
Koerner as he was not seen to have
left the ball turret or to have bailed
out.

William Stenach

2nd Lt AC 0-762057

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Ku 1140A

2 November 1944

PLACE: Bisleben

TYPE: Fortress

RANG	NAME (12 December 1944)	KU 1140
2nd Lt.	Stenach William	0 762057
1st Lt.	MORROW Earl Montgomery	0 751562

KU 3 275

NO FURTHER INFORMATION

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DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT

WAS SHOT DOWN 2 Nov. 1944

CASUALTY NO. KU 1140 A

PLACE OF CRASH Eisleben

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT Fortress

REPORTING OFFICE Eisleben

NAME	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	CAPT'D WOUNDED DEAD	PLACE OF INTERNMENT
MORROW, Earl Montgomery	1/Lt.	G-751562	captured	Dulag-Luft West
STEMACH, William	2/Lt.	G-762057	"	"

REMARKS:

Dulag-Luft, 19 Dec. 1944 No.

K U - 3245

Type of aircraft: Boeing B-17-G
Place of crash: 3 km W. of Volkstedt, 5 km N. of Hieleben
Time of crash: 2 Nov. 1944, at 1250

✓
K O E R N E R , Robert
35915113 T 43-44

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dead

November 2, 1944: 1250,
Volkstedt near
Halle; Fortress,
Target: Airbase Halle

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December 19, 1944

RANK	NAME	ASN	KU 3245
Sgt.	KOEHNER Robert	35915113	dead

2 Dead

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REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

PLACE:

Volkstedt near Halle

KU 3245

DATE:

2 Nov 44 - 1250

NAME AND FIRST NAME OF PRISONER:

YEAR OF BIRTH:

KOEHNER

Robert

ASN: 35915113

RANK:

PLACE AND DATE OF CAPTURE:

PARTICULARS CONCERNING CAPTURE:-

(CRASHED? EMERGENCY LANDING? ~~Sunk~~ DOWN?)

TYPE OF CRAFT

Fortress

REMARKS:

1 unknown dead

Reporting office: Airbase HQ Halle

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Dulag-Luft, 4 Jan 45 No.

FINAL REPORT ON CAPTURED AIRCRAFT

POST: Hq Airbase Hq Airbase Distr. 7/III Grossenhain

LOCATION: Halle/Saale

DATE: 11/8/44

DATE AND TIME: 11/2/44 1250 hrs.

AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN

PLACE OF CRASH: 3 km W. Volkstedt, 5 km N. Eisleben.
(NEAREST TOWN)

KIND OF CAPTURE: Flak
(FLAK, HUNTER, NIGHT HUNTER,
EMERGENCY LANDING)

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Boeing B 17 G, attacking.

MARKINGS OF CRAFT: white U in black triangle.
(LETTERS, FRONT OR REAR OF INSIGNIA)

ADMITTANCE NO: ./.

EQUIPMENT:

F.T. FREQUENCIES:

CONDITION OF AIRCRAFT: 99% destr.

DELIVERED TO DISTRIBUTOR: Enemy Equipment Examination Point
(DULOG - LUFT, ETC.) Hq Air Distr. Qu/Lg. Ing.
Hq Airbase Distr.
Ev. Pt. West, Oberursel/Tannus
Draft

Guard at crash: Home Guard Volkstedt

Result of Crew

Deads 2 men 1) KORNBER, Robert, 35915113 T43-44, identified by tag, burial will be reported later.
2) Unknown

s/ MIERSCH
2nd. Lt.

Technical Data:

Nacelles: Fuselage: 99% destr. Landing Gear: 99% destr.
 Wings : 99% destr. Tail Unit : 99% destr.
Model of Engines: Stude Baker with Exhaustturbine.
Nr of Engines and destr.: Not to be found out.
Metal propellers: 3 blades; make: Hamilton - Standard
DRG Nr.: 6477 A-0, Serial Nr. blade 1) — 2) — 3) —
Radius of props: 1750 mm; 0.7 radius: 1225 mm, at this point depth of blade is
 320 mm.
Weapons: 2 12.7 mm machin guns, make not found out (crashed and burned), instal-
 lation not found out.
Used Sights: Circular sights.
Ammunition: not found out.
Ratio of components: not found out.
Bombs: none found.
Bombtracks: not found out.
Bomb-sight: not found out.
Armorings: none found.
Radio Sets: Transmitter Tuning Unit TU - 5 - B and TU - 8 - B
Cameras: none found.
Fuel: Fuel could not be removed because of complete destruction of tanks.
Nr. of fuel tanks: not found out.

s/ KRAUSE
Tester d.B.

11/2/44

1250 hrs.

Fortress 17 G

3 km W. Volkstedt

U

5 km N. Eisleben

Flak (A)

Airbase Halle

99% destr.

2 dead, rest unknown

KU 3245

Identification: ROBERT K. KOERNER
35915113 T43-44 A
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REPORT ON CAPTURED AIRCRAFT

POST: **Receiving Unit**

LOCATION: **Halle/Seale**

DATE: **11/3/44** 1000 hrs.

DATE AND TIME: **11/2/44** 1250 hrs.

AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN

PLACE OF CRASH: **3 km W. Volkstedt, 5 km N. Eisleben.**
(NEAREST TOWN)

KIND OF CAPTURE: **Flak**
(FLAK, HUNTER, NIGHT HUNTER,
EMERGENCY LANDING)

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: **Boeing B 17 G**

MARKINGS OF CRAFT: **white U in black Triangle.**
(LETTERS, FRONT OR REAR OF INSIGNIA)

ADMITTANCE NO: **not found out**

EQUIPMENT: **not found out**

F.T. FREQUENCIES: **not found out.**

CONDITION OF AIRCRAFT: **99% destr. crashed and burned.**

DELIVERED TO DISTRIBUTOR: **Hq Air Distr. III/Ic, Berlin-Dahlen.**
(DULOG -LUFT, ETC.) **Kv. Pt. West, Oberursel.**

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CASUALTY NO.

U-3540

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT
WAS SHOT DOWN:

prior to 6 Nov 1944

PLACE OF CRASH:

Body was recovered near Halle

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT:

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REPORTING OFFICE:

Reception Unit of Air Force Signal Post Halle

CREW

SURNAME, AND
FIRST NAME:

SALERNO , Joseph

DATE OF BIRTH:

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RAEK:

./.

SERIAL NUMBER:

36876085

CAPTURED:

WOUNDED:

DEAD:

yes

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP:

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TYPE OF INJURY:

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GRAVE LOCATION:

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REMARKS:

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Dulag Luft, 15 Dec 1944 No.

MIA 2 Nov 44 ✓
Kia 2 Nov 44

✓

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Receiving Unit**

PLACE: **Halle/Seale**

DATE: **11/8/44 1000 hrs.**

REGARDING: **CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Boeing B 17 G by flkak.**

~~EM. LANDING:~~ AT: 3 km. W. Volkstedt, 5 km N. Eisleben.

11/2/44 1250 hrs.

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **KOERNER**

FIRST NAME: **Robert**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **35915113 T43-44**

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **recovered dead**

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: **report later**

s/ **NIERSCH**
2nd.Lt.

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REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Receiving Unit
 PLACE: Halle/Saale
 DATE: 11/8/44 1000 hrs.
 REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Boeing B 17 G by flak
EM. LANDING: AT: 3 km W. Volkstedt, 5 km N. Bisleben 11/2/44 1250 hrs.
 NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) Unknown
 FIRST NAME: ./.
 SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) ./.
 RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) recovered dead
 PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:
 NAME OF HOSPITAL:
 PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: report later.

s/ MIERSCH
 2nd.Lt.

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1st. Lt. Earl M. Morrow ✓

Mrs. Nell L. Morrow (wife) ✓
1111 Howard Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

2nd. Lt. George A. Shaffer, Jr. ✓

Dr. George E. Shaffer (father) ✓
647 East Allegheny Avenue
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

2nd. Lt. William Stenach ✓

Mrs. Antonia Blasina (mother) ✓
129 Third Street
Bureka, California

F/O Samuel J. Lisica ✓

Mrs. Elisabeth F. Lisica (mother) ✓
14 Thorn Run
Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

T/Sgt. Charles E. Lindquist ✓

Mrs. Mabel E. Lindquist (mother) ✓
920 South Central Avenue
Burlington, Iowa

S/Sgt. Joseph P. Salerno ✓

Mrs. Rose Salerno (mother) ✓
385 Park Street
Benton Harbor, Michigan

S/Sgt. Robert K. Koerner ✓

Mrs. Ann Koerner (wife) ✓
23529 Center Ridge Road
Rocky River, Ohio

S/Sgt. Harold W. Pannell ✓

Mr. John B. Pannell (father) ✓
2028 Main Street
Joplin, Missouri

T/Sgt. Clifford A. Upton ✓

Mrs. Hazel M. Upton (mother) ✓
1302 Pennsylvania Avenue
Joplin, Missouri

		Date Rec'd	
Morrow, Earl M.	POW	5 Jan 45	002083
	EUS	6 May 45	134050
Shaffer, George E. Jr.	POW	23 Dec 44	361154
	EUS		152038
Stenach, William	RMN		ETO Ship 132
Lisica, Samuel J.	POW	1 Jan 45	002082-U
	EUS		146147
Salerno, Joseph P.	KIA	2 Mar 45	0642174
Koerner, Robert K.	KIA	1 Feb 45	032103
Pannell, Harold W.	POW	16 Dec 44	353091
	EUS	9 Jul 45	199061
Upton, Clifford A.	POW	26 Dec 44	364091
	EUS		164070

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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Name of crew member: **PANHELL, Harold V.**
Rank: **S. Sgt.**
Serial number: **37810147**
Position: ~~Crew~~ (Bomber) or ~~Flight~~ (Fighter): **TO**

Did he bail out? YES

Where? NEAR MERSEBURG, GERMANY

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: _____
CONVERSATION OVER INTERPHONE

Was he injured? NO

Where was he when last seen? TWO DAYS LATER ON THE GROUND

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: _____

Total number of missions of above crew member: _____

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

(over)

Sgt Pannell bailed out and was not hurt
as I saw him 2 days after we were shot
down. He travelled from a small town
near Meneburg to the interrogation center
near Frankfurt together.

Name of crew member: **LINDQUIST, Charles L.**
 Rank: **T. Sgt.**
 Serial number: **57655379**
 Position: **Crew (Bombardier/Fighter/Bomber):** **NO**

Did he bail out? not to my knowledge

Where? —

If not, why not? —

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: —

Was he injured? —

Where was he when last seen? —

Any hearsay information: According to the tail gunner, Sgt Lindquist was last seen lying on the deck near the waist window apparently injured or dead

Source: Sgt Harold H. Pannell

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: —

I presume Sgt Lindquist went down with the plane as no one saw him bail out

Total number of missions of above crew member: approx 22

Dates and destinations if possible: —

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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Name of crew member: SALERNO, Joseph P.
 Rank: S. Sgt.
 Serial number:
 Position: Crew (Bombardier) / Flight (Fighter): VO

Did he bail out? not to my knowledgeWhere? If not, why not? Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Was he injured? Where was he when last seen? Any hearsay information: According to the tail gunner, Sgt
Salerno was also seen lying on the deck near the
waist window along side of Sgt Indignick
apparently injured or deadSource: Sgt Harold H. PannellAny explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition:

I presume Sgt Salerno went down with the plane
as he was not seen bailing out

Total number of missions of above crew member: approx 23Dates and destinations if possible:

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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Name of crew member: **ROEMER, Robert E.**
 Rank: **S. Sgt.**
 Serial number: **24215113**
 Position: **Crew (Bomber) or Pilot (Fighter):** **AWO**

Did he bail out? not to my knowledge

Where? _____

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: _____

Was he injured? _____

Where was he when last seen? _____

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: _____

I do not know or have I heard what happened to Sgt Koerner but assume that he also went down with the plane as no one saw him leave the ball turret.

Total number of missions of above crew member: approx 12

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name WILLIAM STEMACH Rank 2nd LT Serial No. 0-762057
2. Organization 457 BOMB GROUP Gp Commander J.R. LUPER Rank Col. Sqn CO SYPTAK Rank MAJ
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month NOV day 2 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, MARSEBURG, GERMANY, target, OIL REFINERY, target,
time, ?, altitude, ? route scheduled, ?
?, route flown ?
5. Where were you when you left formation? DID NOT LEAVE FORMATION
6. Did you bail out? YES
7. Did other members of crew bail out? YES
8. Tell all you know about when, where, how each person in your aircraft for whom no individual questionnaire is attached bailed out. A crew list is attached. Please give facts. If you don't know, say: "No Knowledge". PILOT, BOMBARDIER, ENGINEER AND NAVIGATOR BAILED OUT OF THE NOSE HATCH ABOUT OR APPROX. 10 MINUTES OR MORE AFTER WE LEFT THE TARGET
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? ?
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) ?
11. Where were they in aircraft? ?
12. What was their condition? ?
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? THE LAST I SAW OF THE RADIO OPERATOR, TAIL GUNNER AND WAIST GUNNER WAS JUST BEFORE TAKE-OFF
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. _____

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

10318

Name of crew member: **PANHILL, Harold W.**
 Rank: **S. Sgt.**
 Serial number: **37510147**
 Position: ~~Crew (Bombardier/Navigator)~~: **TG**

Did he bail out? Yes

Where? Near Eislaben

if not, why not?

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: None

Was he injured? No

Where was he when last seen? inton reported seeing him after

Any hearsay information: he was liberated - My last talk with

him was at Dulag Luft (Wetzlar) about Nov 10,

1944 - He was then shipped out to a camp

in North Germany - However we were told at the

time that he was going to Limburg [the British bombed

Source: This camp although only officers were reported killed]

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition:

None

Total number of missions of above crew member: Approximately 22

Dates and destinations if possible: Brest Aug 2, 1944 Raven Aug 11, 1944

Strasbourg Aug 15, 1944

Name of crew member: **LINQUIST, Charles L.**
 Rank: **T. Sgt.**
 Serial number: **37666278**
 Position: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~: **NO**

Did he bail out? [Probably]

Where? Near Eislaben

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: He reported position to me abt 10min before attack.

Was he injured? [Probably] was staggering possibly due to plane being out of control.

Where was he when last seen? In plane.

Any hearsay information: Pennell reported him leaving just before bailing out

Source: Pennell

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: He may have died of wounds on way down. He'd a temper and may have tried to fight even with odds greatly against him.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 23.

Dates and destinations if possible: X

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

10319

Name of crew member: **SALERNO, Joseph P.**
 Rank: **S. Sgt.**
 Serial number: **30873028**
 Position: ~~Army Transporter (Flight)~~ **VO**

Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? Dead

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: He reported
a track on ground

Was he injured? Yes

Where was he when last seen? Slumped over guns

Any hearsay information: Sannell reported that he was
slumped over guns.

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: _____

Killed during attack

Total number of missions of above crew member: 20

Dates and destinations if possible: X

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

10318

Name of crew member: WHEBER, Robert E.
 Rank: Sgt.
 Serial number: 39916113
 Position: Observer (Pilot) (Light) (Fighter): BTC

Did he bail out? Probably Not

Where? ~~~~~

If not, why not? May have been trapped

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: _____

None

Was he injured? Unknown

Where was he when last seen? when he entered turret

Any hearsay information: None

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: _____

Since attack came from rear I doubt that he was injured - Intercom went out so he may not have heard signal and realized situation too late

Total number of missions of above crew member: 20

Dates and destinations if possible: X

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name George E. Shaffer Jr. Rank 2nd Lt Serial No. 0-220020
2. Organization H.C. Gp Commander Col. Rogner Rank Col Sqn CO Wallis Rank Capt
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month November day 2 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Oil, target, Merseburg, target time, 11:40, altitude, 27,000 route scheduled, Northern
on Southern out, route flown Cut short of briefed route abt 30 min. before target time dropped bombs turned back abt 36 nmi. South
5. Where were you when you left formation? Near Eislaben. of course
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Pilot - Co-Pilot - Bombardier - Engineer
Tailgunner - [E.M. Morrow, W. Stenack, Sol. Lisica, G. Upton, H. Pannell]
8. Tell all you know about when, where, how each person in your aircraft for whom no individual questionnaire is attached bailed out. A crew list is attached. Please give facts. If you don't know, say: "No Knowledge". Morrow, Stenack, Lisica, Upton, Pannell & Shaffer (myself) all bailed out near Eislaben - 11:30 G.E.T.
All were in good shape except Stenack who was wounded, and Morrow who hurt himself on landing
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? Unknown (Morrow said it exploded shortly after he left it)
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) Selerno, Kocner
11. Where were they in aircraft? Selerno - W.G. [Pannell reported him dead] Kocner B.T.G.
12. What was their condition? Selerno - [Dead] Kocner - [Unknown]
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? Hindquist - [was reported to have bailed out by Pannell, he was probably wounded at this time.]
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information.

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

10318

Name of crew member: FANHELL, Harold V.
 Rank: S. Sgt.
 Serial number: 37510167
 Position: Crew (Bomber) or Flight (Fighter): TC

Did he bail out? YESWhere? NEAR HALLE, GERMANY

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: WASWITH HIM AFTER CAPTURE FOR ABOUT 5 DAYS.Was he injured? No. - SLIGHT SPRAINED ANKLE.Where was he when last seen? ENG. T/SGT. S. UPTON SAW HIM INAny hearsay information: FRANCE AFTER V. E. DAY. S/SGT. P. L.BELLINGER SAW HIM LATER AT #57 B. GROUP INENGLAND.Source: T/SGT. CLIFFORD UPTON

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: _____

BELIEVE HE IS HONORABLY DISCHARGED.Total number of missions of above crew member: 15 TO 20 GERMANYDates and destinations if possible: AUG 3 TO NOV. 2, 1944

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

10318

Name of crew member: LINDQUIST, Charles E.
 Rank: T. Sgt.
 Serial number: 37888278
 Position: ~~Crew (Bomber)~~ ~~Flight (Fighter)~~ ~~Navigator~~: 30

Did he bail out? NOT POSITIVE - BELIEVE HE DID.

Where? NEAR HALLE, GERMANY - SMALL TOWN NEAR BY.

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: WHEN ENEMY SIGHTED, LINDQUIST REPORTED TO ME THAT HE WAS ON R. WAIST GUN.

Was he injured? UN KNOWN

Where was he when last seen? T. GUNNER BELIEVED HE SAW HIM FLASH

Any hearsay information: PAST HIS TAIL ESCAPE HATCH. THE EMERGENCY RELEASE TO WAIST HATCH WAS USED AND HATCH WAS GONE. T. GUNNER SAW L. WAIST GUNNER IN WAIST BUT DID NOT SEE LINDQUIST FEW SECONDS AFTER BAIL-OUT WAS ORDERED.

Source: TAIL GUNNER - S/SGT. H.W. PANSELL, AFTER CAPTURE.

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: BELIEVE HE WAS SEVERELY WOUNDED. NAVI. ^{LT.} GEO. SHAFFER WAS TOLD BY A GERMAN WOMAN THAT AN AMERICAN IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY WAS WOUNDED AND BLEEDING. SHE SAID OR INTIMATED A DOCTOR WOULD BE NEEDED TO SAVE HIM.

Total number of missions of above crew member: APPROXIMATELY 20 TO 25

Dates and destinations if possible: AUG 3 TO NOV. 2, 1944. MAJORITY WERE MISSIONS TO GERMANY PROPER.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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Name of crew member: SALERNO, Joseph P.
 Rank: S. Sgt.
 Serial number: 10316
 Position: Crew (Bomber) or Flight (Fighter):

Did he bail out? UNKNOWN BUT BELIEVE HE DID NOT.

Where? NEAR HALLE, GERMANY

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: OXYGEN

CHECK ABOUT 3 MINUTES BEFORE ATTACK.

Was he injured? UNKNOWN - BELIEVE HE WAS.

Where was he when last seen? STANDING BY OR SLUMPED OVER HIS GUN

Any hearsay information: BY T. GUNNER, H.W. PANNELL.

AT TIME BAIL-OUT ORDER WAS GIVEN. THE
WAIST SECTION WAS SHOT UP BADLY AND RUDDER &
VERTICAL STABILIZER WERE SHOT OFF. BY FIRST TWO
ATTACKS OR WAVES OF FIGHTERS.

Source: T. GUNNER - S/SGT. H.W. PANNELL & T/SGT. CLIFFORD UPTON T. TURRET

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: BELIEVE

SALERNO WAS KILLED BEFORE BAIL-OUT ORDER WAS
GIVEN.

Total number of missions of above crew member: APP. 18 TO 20

Dates and destinations if possible: AUG. 3 TO NOV. 2, 1944 GERMANY

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

10318

Name of crew member: ROBERT, Robert K.
 Rank: S. Sgt.
 Serial number: 38915113
 Position: Crew (Bomber) or Pilot (Fighter): BTO

Did he bail out? UNKNOWN - BUT BELIEVE HE DID NOT.

Where? HALLE, GERMANY

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: _____

OXYGEN CHECK 3 MIN. BEFORE ATTACK.

Was he injured? UNKNOWN

Where was he when last seen? WAS NOT SEEN AFTER ATTACK

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: DO NOT

BELIEVE HE EVER GOT OUT OF BALL TURRET.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 20 TO 25

Dates and destinations if possible: AUG 3 TO NOV. 2, 1944 GERMANY.

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name MORROW, EARL M. Rank 1st Lt. Serial No. 0-751562
2. Organization 457 B.Gp Commander ROGNER Rank Col. Sqn CO _____ Rank MAJ.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month NOV. day 2 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, _____, target, _____, target time, _____, altitude, _____ route scheduled, _____, route flown _____
5. Where were you when you left formation? #5 in 2nd Element of Low Squad
6. Did you bail out? YES
7. Did other members of crew bail out? 6 MEN BAILED OUT FOR POSITIVE. BELIEVE R.O. MAY HAVE BAILED OUT.
8. Tell all you know about when, where, how each person in your aircraft for whom no individual questionnaire is attached bailed out. A crew list is attached. Please give facts. If you don't know, say: "No Knowledge". NAV. ENG. BOMB. CO-PILOT AND PILOT BAILED OUT NOSE HATCH IN ORDER NAMED.
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? AIRCRAFT EXPLODED JUST AS PILOT LEFT IT AT 28000 FT.
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) BELIEVE BT.G. AND W.G. WERE IN AIRCRAFT WHEN IT EXPLODED.
11. Where were they in aircraft? BALL TURRET AND LEFT W.GVN.
12. What was their condition? NO POSITIVE KNOWLEDGE.
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? _____
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. NONE.

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: PANNELL, Harold W.
Rank: S. Sgt.
Serial number: 37510147
Position: ~~Crew~~ (Bomber) or ~~Flight~~ (Fighter): TG

Did he bail out? YES

Where? ABOUT TEN MINUTES OF THE TARGET

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: A

REPORT FROM THE TAIL OF THE ATTACK.

Was he injured? NO

Where was he when last seen? HE IS SAFE AT HOME.

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: _____

Total number of missions of above crew member: _____

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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Name of crew member: LINDQUIST, Charles E.
 Rank: T. Sgt.
 Serial number: 37656278
 Position: ~~crew member of flight (fighter)~~: RO

Did he bail out? NO KNOWLEDGE

Where? _____

If not, why not? NO KNOWLEDGE

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: HE

REPORTED HE HAD REACHED HIS GUN POSITION

Was he injured? NO KNOWLEDGE

Where was he when last seen? _____

Any hearsay information: TAIL GUNNER SAID HE THOUGHT
HE SAW LINDQUIST BAIL OUT BUT WASNT
SURE

Source: HAROLD W. PANNELL, S/SGT

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: IT WAS

QUITE POSSIBLE THAT HE WAS SERIOUSLY
WOUNDED. THE SHIP WAS PRETTY WELL SHOT
UP IN HIS SECTION.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 23.

Dates and destinations if possible: UNKNOWN. AT PRESENT.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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Name of crew member: SALERNO, Joseph P.
 Rank: S. Sgt.
 Serial number: 36876085
 Position: ~~CREW (ENGINE) / COPILOT (PILOT)~~ WG

Did he bail out? NO KNOWLEDGE

Where? NO KNOWLEDGE

If not, why not? NO KNOWLEDGE

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: NONE

Was he injured? NONE

Where was he when last seen? AT TAKE OFF + OXYGEN CHECKS

Any hearsay information: NONE. S/LT NASSARO (NAME MAY NOT BE CORRECT) HAD SALERNO'S DOGTAGS AT STALAG LUFT 4. I SAW THEM AND MADE SURE OF THEM. NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: NONE

Total number of missions of above crew member: 17

Dates and destinations if possible: NO KNOWLEDGE

Name of crew member: KOERNER, Robert K.
 Rank: S.Sgt.
 Serial number: 35915113
 Position: ~~Crew (Bombardier) or Crew (Fighter)~~: BTG

Did he bail out? NO KNOWLEDGE

Where? _____

If not, why not? NO KNOWLEDGE

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: AT TAKE OFF AND AT OXYGEN CHECKS.

Was he injured? NO KNOWLEDGE

Where was he when last seen? AT TAKE OFF

Any hearsay information: NONE

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: NONE

Total number of missions of above crew member: IF (22) MAY BE INCORRECT

Dates and destinations if possible: NO KNOWLEDGE

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name CLIFFORD A. UPTON Rank T/SGT Serial No. 16012245-
2. Organization 45th TGP Commander RODRICK Rank COL Sqn CO SYPTAN Rank MAJ.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month NOV day 2 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, MERSEBURG, target, OIL REFINERY, target time, 13:--, altitude, 28000 route scheduled, _____, route flown _____
5. Where were you when you left formation? About 10 minutes from the target
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Yes, The Pilot, Bombardier, Navigator, Copilot @ TG
8. Tell all you know about when, where, how each person in your aircraft for whom no individual questionnaire is attached bailed out. A crew list is attached. Please give facts. If you don't know, say: "No Knowledge". THE TAIL GUNNER BAILED OUT THE TAIL DOOR. THE OFFICERS & I ALL WENT OUT THE NOSE ESCAPE HATCH. THE RO. & WAIST & BALL TURRET GUNNERS I HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? PARTS FELL ABOUT 1/4 MILE AWAY THE PILOT REPORTED.
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) NO KNOWLEDGE
11. Where were they in aircraft? NO KNOWLEDGE
12. What was their condition? NO KNOWLEDGE
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? I NEVER SAW THE BALL TURRET OR WAIST GUNNER SINCE TAKEOFF. THE RADIO OPERATOR HELPED ME GET THE BOMBS AWAY WHEN OUR RELEASE FAILED OVER THE TARGET, HE WAS ON THEN.
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. NO KNOWLEDGE

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

When I was in prison camp one of the men
in our squadron (his name unknown) was a P.W.
too and he had the dog tags of JOSEPH P
SALERNO 36876085, he didn't know me and
so wouldn't give me any information. I
believe his name was NASSARO or something
like that.

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2 Identification Tags:

Earl M. Morrow

O - 751562 T 41 - 42 A, P.

William Stemach

O - 762057 T 41 - 42 A, C.

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FINAL REPORT ON CAPTURED AIRCRAFT

POST: Hq Airbase Hq Airbase Distr. 7/III Grossenhain

LOCATION: Halle/Saale

DATE: 11/8/44

DATE AND TIME: 11/2/44 1250 hrs.
AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN

PLACE OF CRASH: 3 km W. Volkstedt, 5 km N. Eisleben.
(NEAREST TOWN)

KIND OF CAPTURE: Flak
(FLAK, HUNTER, NIGHT HUNTER,
EMERGENCY LANDING)

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Boeing B 17 G, attacking.

MARKINGS OF CRAFT: white U in black triangle.
(LETTERS, FRONT OR REAR OF INSIGNIA)

ADMITTANCE NO: ./.

EQUIPMENT:
F.T. FREQUENCIES:
CONDITION OF AIRCRAFT: 99% destr.

DELIVERED TO DISTRIBUTOR: Enemy Equipment Examination Post
(DULOG - LUFT, ETC.) Hq Air Distr. Qu/Lg. Ing.
Hq Airbase Distr.
Ev. Pt. West, Oberursel/Taunus
Draft

Guard at crash: Home Guard Volkstedt

Result of Crew:

Dead: 2 men 1) KORNBER, Robert, 35915113 T43-44, identified by tag, burrail will be reported later.
2) Unknown

s/ NIRSCH
2nd.Lt.

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Technical Data:

Nacelle: Fuselage. 99% destr. Landing Gear: 99% destr.
 Wings : 99% destr. Tail Unit : 99% destr.

Model of Engines: Stude baker with Exhaustturbine.
Nr of Engines and destr.: Not to be found out.
Metal propellers: 3 blades; make: Hamilton - Standard
DFO Nr.: 6477 A-0, Serial Nr. blade 1) -- 2) -- 3) --
Radius of props: 1750 mm; 0.7 radius: 1225 mm, at this point depth of blade is
320 mm.

Weapons: 2 12.7 mm machin guns, make not found out (crashed and burned), instal-
 lition not found out.

Used Sights: Circular sights.
Ammunition: not found out.
Ratio of component: not found out.
Bombs: none found.
Bombbracks: not found out.
Bomb-sight: not found out.
Armoring: none found.
Radio Sets: Transmitter Tuning Unit TU - 6 - B and TU - 8 - B
Cameras: none found.
Fuels: Fuel could not be removed because of complete destruction of tanks.
Nr. of fuel tanks: not found out.

s/ KRAUSE
Tester d.B.

11/2/44

1250 hrs.

Fortress 17 G

3 km W. Volkstedt

U

5 km N. Eisleben

Flak (A)

Airbase Halle

99% destr.

2 dead, rest unknown

KU 3245

Identification: ROBERT E. KOEPNER
35915113 T43-44 A

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REPORT ON CAPTURED AIRCRAFT

POST: Receiving Unit

LOCATION: Halle/Saale

DATE: 11/8/44 1000 hrs.

DATE AND TIME: 11/2/44 1250 hrs.
AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWNPLACE OF CRASH: 3 km W. Volkstedt, 5 km N. Eisleben.
(NEAREST TOWN)KIND OF CAPTURE: Flak
(FLAK, HUNTER, NIGHT HUNTER,
EMERGENCY LANDING)

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Boeing B 17 G

MARKINGS OF CRAFT: white U in black Triangle.
(LETTERS, FRONT OR REAR OF INSIGNIA)

ADMITTANCE NO: not found out

EQUIPMENT: not found out

F.T. FREQUENCIES: not found out.

CONDITION OF AIRCRAFT: 99% destr. crashed and burned.

DELIVERED TO DISTRIBUTOR: Hq Air Distr. III/Ic, Berlin-Dahlem.
(DULOG -LUFT, ETC.) Ev. Pt. West, Oberursel.s/ MIERSCH
2nd.Lt.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Receiving Unit

PLACE: Halle/Saale

DATE: 11/8/44 1000 hrs.

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Boeing B 17 G by flak.RECOVERED AT: 3 km. W. Volkstedt, 5 km N. Eisleben.
11/2/44 1250 hrs.

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) KOERNER

FIRST NAME: Robert

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 35915113 T43-44

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) recovered dead

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: report later

s/ MIKRSCH
2nd.Lt.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Receiving Unit
PLACE: Halle/Saale
DATE: 11/8/44 1000 hrs.
REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Boeing B 17 G by flak
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ AT: 3 km W. Volkstedt, 5 km N. Eisleben 11/2/44 1250 hrs.
NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) Unknown
FIRST NAME: ./.
SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) ./.
RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) recovered dead
PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:
NAME OF HOSPITAL:
PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: report later.

s/ MIERSCH
2nd.Lt.

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CASUALTY INTERROGATION FORM
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

THE FAMILIES OF MANY OF YOUR COMRADES HAVE NOT BEEN AS FORTUNATE AS YOURS. THEIR SONS AND HUSBANDS HAVE BEEN REPORTED MISSING IN ACTION AND THEY ARE ANXIOUSLY WAITING TO LEARN THEIR FATE. YOU MAY BE ABLE TO SUPPLY THE INFORMATION WHICH WILL HELP TO TERMINATE THE SUSPENSE AND ANXIETY THEY ARE SUFFERING.

IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE DEATH IN ACTION OR DURING IMPRISONMENT OF ANY MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES YOU ARE REQUESTED TO FURNISH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT THE DECEASED:

FULL NAME OF DECEASED

Charles Lindquist

HOME TOWN OR STATE

Darlington, Iowa

GRADE OR RANK

T/Sgt.

B-17 W. Gunner

ORGANIZATION

8th AAF, 457 Bomb Group, 751 Sq.

DATE AND PLACE OF DEATH

8 Nov 44; Mercesberg, Germany

CAUSE OF DEATH

I was piloting our B-17 when we were hit by German fighters and their fire tore off our tail and left wing. Believe Lindquist was wounded when he bailed out and later some unknown German woman near the scene of our bail out gave me information that indicated that he was dead when she found him.

PLACE OF BURIAL

Unknown

WERE YOU AN EYEWITNESS TO HIS DEATH

No

NAMES OF PERSONS BELIEVED TO HAVE WITNESSED HIS DEATH

Fellow Crewman:
S/ Sgt. Harold Pannell, Tail Gunner
Joplin, Mo.

IF YOUR INFORMATION IS HEARSAY
GIVE NAME AND ADDRESS OF YOUR
INFORMANT

SIGN HERE

Earl M. Morrow
Name and Serial Number

1st Lt. Earl M. Morrow, O-751562
RD #1, Crawfordsville, Ind.
Home Address

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