

MACR 5297

<u>DATE:</u> 23. May 1944	<u>AT:</u> 1604	<u>RANK:</u>	<u>NAME:</u>	<u>KU - 2024</u>
<u>PLACE:</u> Osterholz near Bremen		2nd Lt.	SCHLENGER, David Woodward	ASN: 0-678952
<u>TYPE OF CRAFT:</u> Fortress		1st Lt.	STONE, Rudolph Melvin	ASN: 0-749350
<u>MARKINGS:</u> ..067		2nd Lt.	THOMAS, James Earl	ASN: 0-752961
749 (Hb) Sqd.		2nd Lt.	MILLHAM, John Oliver	ASN: 0-691781
457 Group		S/Sgt.	STEWART, Charles L.	ASN: 34354658
<u>AIRBASE:</u> Glatton		Sgt.	MOORE, Sheldon John	ASN: 39585001
<u>TARGET:</u> Airbase HQ Bremen- Neulanderfeld		M/Sgt.	KENNER, Robert Charles	ASN: 16026826
		S/Sgt.	WELING, Irwin Arthur	ASN: 35794609
		S/Sgt.	WAGONER, Walter W.	ASN: 18000321
		Sgt.	BENUS, William Frank;	ASN: 18112010

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Downing of ...

Name: **WAGONER Walter W**
A.S.N.: **18 090 321**

✓ **dead**
MIA 287m 2/42
K14

To: Interrogation - Center West Oberursel

Concerning: sites of crash of 28 May 1944 (raids all over Germany)

time: 16,05, Mahndorf SE Bremen, DS 99, Boeing, 80 % damage, markings
U in a triangle, below: 297 067, below: YK.
7 men captured, 2 wounded, 1 man dead. Oldenburg is taking care.
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6-3224, AF(5)

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REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 16/ XI AIRFIELD DETACHMENT

PLACE: BREMEN - (NEUENLANDERFELD)

DATE: 28. May 44

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **FORTRESS B-2**EN. LANDING: AT: **OSTERHOLZ b. BREMEN**
on 28. May 44 at 1604

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

WAGNER,FIRST NAME: **WALTER**SERIAL NUMBER: (US.) **16090321**RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **dead**PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **-/**NAME OF HOSPITAL: **-/**PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: **will be reported later**

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1 IDENTIFICATION TAG:

WALTER W. WAGONER
18090521 T 43 .A
FRANCIS B. WAGONER
GAYVILLE, S.D. P

28 May 44

HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 16/XI
-AIRFIELD DISTRICT -
BREMEN AIRFIELD.

Ku 2026
BREMEN 6, JUNE 44

REF. 1.) Lt. Kdo. Reich Pz. Abt. Ic No. 15802/44 gch. v. 16 May 44.
2.) HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT 9/XI DELMENHORST Id Erb. Nr. 6536/44
gch. v. 1. June 44.

REQ. OBLIGATION FOR DELIVERY OF ESCAPE MEANS OF ENGLISH AND AMERICAN
PRISONERS OF WAR.

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INTELLIGENCE OFFICE WEST

OBENBURSEL/TAHUS

According to the above cited reference, the added 7 escape-kits are sent. These are the escape-kits from the American prisoners of war, sent to you from here on 29. May 44, who were captured on 28. May 44 in OSTERHOLE near BREMEN.

1. SGT. MOORE
2. LT. STOLL
3. LT. SCHLENGER
4. SGT. STEWART
5. SGT. WELLMING
6. SGT. KREITZ
7. LT. THOMAS

In opposition to the statements of the D(Luf) 2706/07, the HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT EWISCHENWANN, which is the Chief Concentration-Center for English/American Prisoners of War in the HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT 9/XI DELMENHORST, has ordered, to collect escape-kits and emergency-provision-cans in the individual airbases. When there is a sufficient amount therefrom collected, they should be sent forthwith to time to your Intelligence Office.

Appendix:

4 closed escape-kits
3 opened escape-kits

Content of the opened escape-kits:

1000 fr. FRANCS	1000 fr. FRANCS	1000 fr. FRANCS
350 belg. FRANCS	350 belg. FRANCS	350 belg. FRANCS
25 dutch GUILDERS	25 dutch GUILDERS	25 dutch GUILDERS
1 saw	1 saw	1 map
1 escape-compass	1 escape-compass	
2 maps	2 maps	

Registered letter (is equal to) serves as receipt.

of Michaels

CPT & COMMANDER

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

PLACE: HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 16/XI AIRFIELD DETACHMENT

DATE: B R E H E N / NEUBRANDENFELD , 25. May 44

NAME AND FIRST NAME OF PRISONER: S T E W A R T, CHARLES
ASN: 34351655

YEAR OF BIRTH: ./.

RANK: SGT.

PLACE AND DATE OF CAPTURE: 25. May 44 at 1620 OSTERHOLZ b. BREMEN

PARTICULARS CONCERNING CAPTURE:- ./.
(CRASHED? EMERGENCY LANDING? SHOT DOWN?)TYPE OF CRAFT FORTRESS B 2

REMARKS: Downed on 25. May 44 at 1604 near OSTERHOLZ b. BREMEN

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST:

HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 16/XI AIRFIELD DETACHMENT

PLACE:

B R E M E N NEUHLANDERFELD.

DATE:

25. May 44

REGARDING:

CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, FORTRESS B-2

EH. LANDING:

AT: OSTERHOLE D. BRUMEN
on 25. May 44 at 1604

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

N O O R E

FIRST NAME:

SHELDON

RANK:

Sgt

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

39555001

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

25. May 44 at 1620 OSTERHOLE D. BRUMEN

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

-/.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

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REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESPOST: HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A ~~ENGINEER~~ 16/XI AIRFIELD DETACHMENT

PLACE: BRUNNEN-NEUENLANDERFELD.

DATE: 28. May 1944

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **FORTRESS BII**EM. LANDING: AT: **OSTERHOLZ near BRUNNEN**
on 28. May 44 at 1604NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **K R I T Z.**FIRST NAME: **ROBERT**SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **16026826**RANK: **M/SGT.**
RESULTS: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **captured**PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **28. May 44 1620 OSTERHOLZ b. BRUNNEN**NAME OF HOSPITAL: **/.**PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: **/.**

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESPOST: **84. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 16/X AIRFIELD DETACHMENT**PLACE: **D E H H H H - HANOVERFELD.**DATE: **28. May 44**REGARDING: **CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, FORCES III****EN. LANDING: AT: OSTERHOLZ b. BERLIN**
on 28. May 44 at 1600NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **W E L L I N G**FIRST NAME: **IRWIN**RANK: **SGT.**
SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **35704609**RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **captured**PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **on 28. May 44 1620 OSTERHOLZ b. BERLIN**NAME OF HOSPITAL: **./.**PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: **./.**

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HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 16/XI AIRFIELD DETACHMENT

B R E M B E - BRUNLANDERFELD

25. May 44

OSTERHOLZ b. BREMEN
on 25. May 44 at 1604

THOMAS

JAMES

RANK: 2ND LT.

0752961

captured

25. May 44 at 1620 OSTERHOLZ b. BREMEN

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5 IDENTIFICATION TAGS WITH FOLLOWING INSCRIPTIONS:

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|---------------------|----------|---------|---|--|---|
| 1. ROBERT G. KRITZ | 16026826 | F 43 | 0 | DAISY G. KRITZ
207 W PINE ST
LANSING ILL | P |
| 2. JAMES E. THOMAS | 0-752961 | F 42-43 | A | .. | 0 |
| 3. JOHN O. MELLANBY | 0-691761 | F 43 | 0 | | 0 |
| 4. SHELDON J. MOORE | 59555001 | F 43 | 0 | MARGARET ROBINSON
1127 LA MAITA
N HOLLYWOOD
HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. | 0 |
| 5. IRWIN A. WELLING | 35764609 | F 43 | 0 | ARTHUR WELLING
MOORE
MILLBURY, OHIO | P |

28 May 54

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 15/XI AIRFIELD DETACHMENT
 PLACE: BREMEN + KUNDELANDERFELD
 DATE: 25. May 44
 REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, FORTRESS 12
 LANDING: AT: OSTERSHOLE b. BREMEN
 NAME: (L. I. OR SURNAME) on 25. May 44 at 1604
 FIRST NAME: SCHILLBERG
 SECOND NAME: DAVID
 RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPT: -2) 678952 captured
 PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: 25. May 44 1620 OSTERSHOLE b. BREMEN
 NAME OF HOSPITAL:
 PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: ./.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 10/41 AIRFIELD DETACHMENT

PLACE: B B B M H H - HAUHLAUFERFELD

DATE: 25. May 44.

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, PROBESS B-2
EM. LANDING: AT: OSTROGOLZ L. BRUNEN
NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) STOLL on 25. May 44 at 1604FIRST NAME: RUDOLPHRANK: 1ST LT.
SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 749350

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: captured
on 25. May 44 at 1620 OSTROGOLZ L. BRUNENNAME OF HOSPITAL: ./.PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: ./.

Date and Time Aircraft
was shot down:

5/28/44 - 16.04

Casualty No. EU 2026

Place of Crash:

Osterholz near v Bremen

Type Of plane:

Fortress

Reporting Unit:

Air base Hdqu. Bremen - Neulandsfeld.

NAME		RANK	ASN	Captured Wounded Dead	Place of Internment
SCRELLINGER	David Woodard	2.Lt.	0-578952	Captured	Dulag Luft
STOHL	Radolph Melvin	1.Lt.	0-749350	"	"
THOMAS	James	2.Lt.	0-752961	"	"
STEWART	Charles L.	S/Sgt.	34354635	"	"
KEVITZ	Robert Charles	X/Sgt.	16026826	"	"
WELING	Irwin Arthur	S/Sgt.	35764609	"	"

Casualty No. EU 2026

1. Additional Report from 8/11/44

MOORE Sheldon John Sgt., 39555001 " " "

Casualty No. EU 2026

2. Additional Report from 8/11/44

MILINAM John Oliver 2. Lt. 0-691787 " " "
S/S/21 Johnson City, N.Y.

Casualty No. EU 2026

3. Additional Report from 8/28/44

WAGONER Walter W. T/Sgt. 18090321 Dead

Casualty No. EU 2026

4. Additional Report from 9/22/44

BEMUS William Frank Sgt. 16189010 Captured Dulag Luft

Dulag Luft - Date: 6/8/44

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DATE: May 1946	AF: 1604	NAME	UNIT	FLY NO.
PLACE: Cotabato near Brown		2nd Lt. SCHLESINGER, vid Woodard		ASH: O-67002
TYPE OF CRAFT: Fortress		1st Lt. SECKE, Ralph Melvin		ASH: O-71350
MARKING: .OCY		2nd Lt. THOMAS, James Earl		ASH: O-71351
740 (Hqs) Sq.		2nd Lt. MILLER, John Oliver		ASH: O-68761
407 Group		S/Sgt. STEWART, Charles L.		ASH: 345605
AIRBASE: Gibson		Sgt. MOORE, Sheldon John		ASH: 355001
FLIGHT: Airbase HQ Brown-Kendallfield		S/Sgt. ERWIN, Robert Charles		ASH: 1600026
		S/Sgt. WELLEN, Irwin Arthur		ASH: 2576009
		S/Sgt. WAGNER, Walter H.		ASH: 1600021
		Sgt. B. JONES, William Frank		ASH: 1600010

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 all accounted for
 KIA in 1944
 missing list also
 March 1945
 - [unclear]

WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

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

1. ORGANIZATION: Location England ; Command or Air Force 8AF
Group 457th Bomb Op (H) ; Squadron 749th ; Detachment _____
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure Station 130 ; Course _____
Intended Destination Dessau, Germany ; Type of Mission Objective Bombing
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: Good
4. GIVE: (a) Date 28 May 46 Time 1400 ; and Location 52-00 N 11-23 E
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether () Last Sighted; () Last contacted by Radio;
() Parachuted Down; () Seen to Crash; or () Information not Available.
5. AIRCRAFT LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one) Enemy Aircraft; () Enemy Anti-Aircraft; () Other Circumstances as follows _____
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17-G ; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-27067
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97 ; A.A.F. Serial Number(a) SW-010692
(b) SW-010625 ;(c) SW-010562 ;(d) SW-010492
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number) 638735; 389350
(a) 950075 ; (b) 727562 ; (c) 638677 ;(d) 637939; 637944
(e) 639566 ; (f) 638558 ; (g) 950061 ;(h) 949853; 637943; 963150
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty _____
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10 ; Passengers 0 ; Total 10
(Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 10 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
1.	Pilot	<u>Stohl, Rudolph M.</u>	<u>1st Lt.</u>	<u>0-749350 RTD</u>
2.	CP	<u>Schallenger, David W.</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-678952 RTD</u>
3.	W	<u>Millham, John OY</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-691781 RTD</u>
4.	R	<u>Thomas, James E.</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-752961 RTD</u>
5.	ABG	<u>Kreite, Robert C.</u>	<u>M/Sgt.</u>	<u>16026826 RTD</u>
6.	BOG	<u>Wagner, Walter W.</u>	<u>T/Sgt. +</u>	<u>18090521</u>
7.	AAAG	<u>Reamus, William F.</u>	<u>Sgt.</u>	<u>18189010 RTD</u>
8.	ABOG	<u>Moore, Sheldon J.</u>	<u>Sgt.</u>	<u>39555001</u>
9.	AG	<u>Welling, Irwin A.</u>	<u>S/Sgt.</u>	<u>35764609 RTD</u>
10.	AG	<u>Stewart, Charles L.</u>	<u>Sgt.</u>	<u>34354555 RTD</u>

1. IDENTIFY IN THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME.

Check: Only One Column

	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted			Saw	
				By	Last Sighted	Crash	Forced Landing	
1.								
2.								
3.								

12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS:(a) Parachutes were used _____ ; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____ ; or (c) Any other reasons (Specify) None
13. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHEN AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN. None
14. ATTACH EYE-WITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDINGS, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT. No information available.
15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE None

Date of Report 1 June 1946

Gerald H. Galligan
(Signature of Preparing Officer)
GERALD H. GALLIGAN, 1st Lt. AC
Statistical Officer

leaf 26'

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: WAGONER Walter W. File 5297
 Rank: T/Sgt.
 Serial number: 18090521
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~Radio Operator~~ Radio Operator

Did he bail out? not known (possibly fell out)

Where? approx. 12 miles southwest of Bremen, Germany

If not, why not? Fatally wounded

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

Was he injured? Yes, both legs and one arm dis membered severe wounds in chest and head. (told to me by Sgt Stewart)

Where was he when last seen? at radio before being hit. (tail-gunner)

Any helpful information: Sgt. Stewart, Sgt. Moore, Lt. Schellenger had to go after Sgt. Wagoner after all of us were captured.

Sgt Wagoner was found about 2 or 3 miles from the plane. His parachute wasn't opened. He was dead at the time they went after him.

Source: Sgt. Stewart, Sgt. Moore, Lt. Schellenger

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: I believe that we recieved a direct flak hit in the radio room ver y near Sgt Wagoner.

Total number of missions of above crew member: approx. 21

Dates and destinations if possible: not known

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member:

Rank:

MOORE Sheldon J.

File 5297

Serial number:

Sgt.

Position: Crew (Bomber)

~~10555001~~ of Flight (Fighter)

Ball Turret Gunner

Did he bail out? yes

Where? approx. 12 miles southwest of Bremen, Germany

If not, why not? _____

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

Was he injured? slight flak wound on top of head

Where was he when last seen? on evacuation march from Stalag Luft IV

Any hearsay information: _____

Sources: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: Moore seemed to be having more trouble than others

while on the evacuation march from fatigue, exposure, and

sickness(mainly diarrhea) He also considered escaping

from the column (while on the march) and trying to reach our

troops.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 21

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Kreite, Robert C. Rank M/Sgt. Serial No. 16026826
2. Organization 457 BG Gp Commander _____ Rank _____ Sqn CO _____ Rank _____
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month May day 28 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Bombing, target, Dressau, Germany, target time, _____, altitude, 20,000 route scheduled, _____, route flown _____
5. Where were you when you left formation? just after the IP
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". Wagoner (unknown) Nav. Bombardier, Co-pilot, and asst. Eng. all through front escape hatch. Pilot and I through bomb bay. Tail-gunner, left-waist gunner, and ball turret gunner through the rear side door
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? approx 12 miles SW of Bremmen, Ger.
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) none
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? _____

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

Name of crew member: WAGO NER Walter W. File 5297
 Rank: T/Sgt.
 Serial number: 18090521
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~or Pilot (Fighter)~~ Radio Operator

Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? HE WAS KILLED BEFORE SHIP STARTED DOWN

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: INTERPHONE WAS OUT. HE WAS KILLED JUST BEFORE SHIP STARTED DOWN

Was he injured? - KILLED

Where was he when last seen? OSTERHOLTZ - SOUTH OF BREMEN

Any hearsay information: I NEVER SAW HIM AFTER I PARCHUTED BUT OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CREW DID AND SAID THAT HE FELL OUT BALL TURRET HOLE (TURRET WAS DROPPED. HIS CHUTE WAS NOT OPENED.

Source: Co-Pilot

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: I AM CERTAIN THAT HE WAS KILLED SINCE I WAS TOLD THE FOREGOING STATEMENT BY SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE CREW WHO SAW HIM.

Total number of missions of above crew member: APPROXIMATELY (19)

Dates and destinations if possible: SHOT DOWN MAY 28, 1944

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: MOORE Sheldon J. File 5297
 Rank: Sgt.
 Serial number: 39555001
 Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Light (Fighter)~~ Ball Turret Gunner

Did he bail out? YES

Where? OSTERHOLTZ - SOUTH OF BREMEN

If not, why not? —

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: DON'T REMEMBER - INTERPHONE OUT.

Was he injured? NO - NOT SERIOUSLY - ONLY SCRATCHES

Where was he when last seen? STALAG LUFT II (FRANKFURT)
ENLISTED CREW MEMBERS SAW HIM AT ABOUT TIME THEY WERE
 Any hearsay information: LIBERATED

I WAS TOLD BY ENLISTED CREW MEMBERS WHOM I
SAW AFTER LIBERATION AT CAMP LUCKY STRIKE THAT
HE HAD SUFFERED SORE FEET ON A MARCH EITHER JUST PRIOR
TO LIBERATION OR JUST AFTER AND HAD ENTERED A HOSPITAL
 Source: MSGT ROBT. C. KREITE, S/SGT IRWIN WEAVER, MSGT SGT. CHAS
STEWART

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: FOR MORE PRECISE INFORMATION, I REQUEST
THAT YOU WRITE MSGT ROBT C. KREITE TO MRS.
DAISY S. KRETE, FISHER, ILL. OR CHAS. L. STEWART
TO MRS. BARBARA STEWART SPRING GARDEN, ALABAMA.
UNTIL NOW I SUPPOSED THAT SGT. MOORE HAD REACHED
THE U.S. ALRIGHT

Total number of missions of above crew member: APPROXIMATELY 19

Dates and destinations if possible: —

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name RUDOLPH M. STOHL Rank 1ST LT. Serial No. 0-749380
2. Organization 457TH Gp Commander Col. LUPER Rank Col Sqn CO ?? HOFFMAN Rank LT. Col.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month MAY day 28 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, DESSAU, target, JUNKERS PLANT, target time, APPROX 1400, altitude, APPROX. 23000 route scheduled, _____, route flown _____
5. Where were you when you left formation? NEAR DESSAU.
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". DAVID W. SCHELLENGER OSTERHOLTZ (NEAR BREMEN) 1603 O'CLOCK ALL BUT WALTER W. WAGONER BAILED AT THE SAME TIME
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? OSTERHOLTZ (NEAR BREMEN)
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) NONE
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? I SAW ALL BUT SHELDON J. MOORE (INDIV. QUESTIONNAIRE) WAGONER (SAME) (DEAD) AND WM. F. BEMUS (REPATRIATED) AT CAMP LUCKY STRIKE AFTER LIBERATION.
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 QUESTIONNAIREName of crew member: WAGONER Walter W.

File 5297

Rank: T/Sgt.Serial number: 18090521Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~RE ENGINEER~~ Radio OperatorDid he bail out? NOT TO MY KNOWLEDGE

Where? _____

If not, why not? WOUNDED OR DEAD (HERE SAY)

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

Was he injured? YES (HERE SAY)Where was he when last seen? RADIO ROOM (HERE SAY)Any homesay information: BODY WAS SEEN CLOSE TO WRECKAGE OF PLANESource: DAVID W. SCHNEIDER Co-PILOT

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: ABOUT 20Dates and destinations if possible: NOT CERTAIN

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **MOORE Sheldon J.** File 5297
 Rank: **Sgt.**
 Serial number: **39555001**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Ball Turret Gunner

Did he bail out? YES

Where? ABOUT TEN MILES SOUTH OF BREMEN, GERMANY

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? INTERROGATION CENTER FRANKFURT, GERMANY

Any hearsay information: MOORE WAS HOSPITALIZED FOR FROST-BITTEN FEET WHILE BEING MARCHED FROM ONE P.W. CAMP TO ANOTHER. I THINK THIS OCCURRED EARLY IN 1945.

Source: ENLISTED MEN OF CREW

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: ABOUT 20

Dates and destinations if possible: NOT CERTAIN



IN REPLY REFER TO: AFPPA-8

HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON



SUBJECT: Casualty Information of Crew Members
TO: 2nd Lt. James E. Thomas

1. You will be interested to know that there have been formed here in Washington and in the theaters overseas, Missing Aircrew Research and Investigation Offices to collect all information from our own and enemy sources, correlate this information and furnish it to search teams in the theaters who will go to the scene of the casualty incident and investigate. These teams will question those in the area who have knowledge of the incident and trace all leads down until they have the story. The German records we have translated are excellent. We have just received the Japanese records. By combining all this data with the story available in your memory, we can tell next of kin the things that mean so much to them.

2. You may or may not have been questioned in this manner before concerning the mission on which you were shot down and the events that followed. Regardless of previous questionnaires, it is important that we have the information requested here to complete our records concerning combat crewmen remaining in a casualty status.

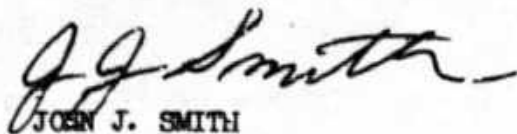
3. If you have been sworn to secrecy as a result of your escape, evasion or internment, you may consider yourself released from all restrictions as to disclosure or publication of experiences except:

- a. Secret intelligence activities and methods developed for use, or actually used, in prison camps.
 - b. Details of techniques employed by military intelligence organizations operating behind enemy lines to assist evasion and escape.
 - c. Negotiations conducted on high government or military level to secure release from internment in a neutral country. (See AAF Reg 46-8 dated 30 October 1945)
4. Please answer all the questions you can promptly and accurately. Re-

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quest that, if possible, answers be typewritten; if not, printed. Mail the reply to Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: AFPPA-8, Washington 25, D. C.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL ARNOLD:



JOSEPH J. SMITH
Lt. Col., Air Corps
Chief Notification Section
Personnel Affairs Branch
Personnel Services Division, AC/AS-1

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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name James Earl Thomas Rank 1st Lt Serial No. 0-752961
2. Organization 457th Gp Commander James L. Cooper Rank Col Sqn CO Hoffman Rank Major
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month MAY day 28 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Dessau, Germany, target, PLANE FACTORY, target
time, 1400, altitude, 20,000 route scheduled, NORTHERN
route flown NORTHERN
5. Where were you when you left formation? TARGET
6. Did you bail out? yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? ALL BUT RADIO OPERATOR
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".
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? SOUTH OF BREMEN, GER.
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) RADIO OPERATOR - HERESAY
11. Where were they in aircraft? IN RADIO ROOM
12. What was their condition? WOUNDED, IF NOT DEAD
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? SAW ALL MEMBERS OF CREW EXCEPT WALTER W. WAGONER AND SHELDON J. MOORE IN FRANCE SHORTLY AFTER LIBERATED APRIL 29, 1945. ALL WERE IN FAIR CONDITION. EXISTED MEN REPORTED THAT MOORE WAS HOSPITALIZED, WHILE BEING MOVED FROM ONE P.W. CAMP TO ANOTHER, FOR FROST BITTEN FEET.
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

Name of crew member: WAGO MER Walter W. File 5297
 Rank: T/Sgt.
 Serial number: 18090521
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~or Pilot (Fighter)~~ Radio Operator

Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? HE WAS DEAD OR MORTALLY WOUNDED AND REST OF CREW COULDN'T THROW HIM OUT

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: ABOUT FIVE MINUTES BEFORE PLANE WENT DOWN

Was he injured? NOT UNTIL IMMEDIATELY BEFORE PLANE WENT DOWN

Where was he when last seen? HIS BODY WAS CARRIED INTO TOWN BY UNINJURED MEMBERS OF CREW, BREMEN, GERMANY

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: HIS LEGS APPEAR TO BE COMPLETELY SEPARATED FROM HIS BODY AT THE HIPS

Total number of missions of above crew member: 21

Dates and destinations if possible: SCHWEINFURT, FEB 24, 1944; ANGSDURG, FEB 25; 5 MISSIONS TO BERLIN; GYRINIA, APRIL 9, 1944; MUNICH; HAMB; LUDWIGSHAFEN; MERZBERG; SEITZ;

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: MOORE Sheldon J. File 5297
 Rank: Sgt.
 Serial number: 39555001
 Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~ENGINEER~~ Ball Turret Gunner

Did he bail out? YES

Where? BREMEN GERMANY

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: ABOUT FIVE MINUTES BEFORE PLANE WENT DOWN

Was he injured? NO

Where was he when last seen? _____

Any hearsay information: OTHER MEMBERS OF

CREW SAID THAT MOORE HAD DROPPED OUT

OF FORCED MARCH ACROSS GERMANY SOMETIME

IN THE SPRING OF '45

Source: IRWIN WELLS, WAIST GUNNER; CHARLES STEWART, TAIL GUNNER

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: 21

Dates and destinations if possible: same as Heysner

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name MILLHAM, JOHN O. Rank 2ND LT. Serial No. 0-691781
2. Organization 45TH Gp Commander LUPER Rank COL Sqn CO HOFFMAN Rank LT. COL
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month MAY day 28 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, BOMBER, target, DESSAU, GERMANY, target time, 1300, altitude, 20,000 route scheduled, CROSSED HOLLAND COAST, route flown SCHEDULED
5. Where were you when you left formation? DESSAU GERMANY
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".
WALTER W. WAGONER DID NOT BAIL OUT
SHELDON J. MOORE BAILED OUT AND WENT TO PRISON CAMP - NO KNOWLEDGE AFTER THAT
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? 10 MILES S.W. OF BREMEN, GERMANY
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires)
WALTER W WAGONER
11. Where were they in aircraft? RADIO ROOM
12. What was their condition? DEAD
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? SAW SGT. BEMUS, W.M. IN JULY 28, 1944 IN A HOSPITAL IN BREMEN, GERMANY. HE WAS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED
SAW WHOLE CREW EXCEPT BEMUS, MOORE, AND WAGONER IN FRANCE AFTER THE WAR WAS OVER
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: **MOORE Sheldon J.** File **5297**
 Rank: **Sgt.**
 Serial number: **39555001**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ **Ball Turret Gunner**

Did he bail out? Yes

Where? Over Verdun, 30 Km South of Bremen, Germany

If not, why not? Not applicable

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Lt. David W Schellenger saw and talked to Sgt. Moore at Dulag Luft, Frankfurt, Germany five days after being shot down.

Was he injured? No

Where was he when last seen? Dulag Luft, Frankfurt, Germany

Any necessary information: While on an evacuation march Sgt. Moore was put in a hospital for frozen feet. This was in March of 1945. Lt. Schellenger received this information at Camp Lucky Strike at LaHayre, France, from one of the enlisted crew members in Sgt. Moore's crew.

Source: M/Sgt. Robert G. Kreitz and S/Sgt Charles Stewart

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: nineteen

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

David W Schellenger 6-3861-AF
 DAVID W SCHELLENGER
 1st Lt., Air Corps

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: WAGO NER Walter W. File 5297
 Rank: T/Sgt.
 Serial number: 18040521
 Position: Crew (Bomber) or Pilot (Fighter) Radio Operator
~~IXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

Did he bail out? NO

Where? Not applicable

If not, why not? Sgt. Wagoner was killed in the airplane

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Sgt. Wagoner was requested to contact fighter escort five minutes prior to his death. This conversation was on interphone
 Was he injured? Before the airplane struck the ground Sgt. Wagoner's body fell out of the airplane. His body was later seen and identified by Lt. David W Schellenger
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Sgt. Wagoner's body was last seen in the town of Verden, 30 Km South of Bremen, Germany

Any hearsay information: None

Source: Not applicable

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: Sgt. Wagoner was killed when an 88 mm projectile exploded in the radio room.

Total number of missions of above crew member: twenty

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

David W Schellenger 6-3861-AF
 DAVID W SCHELLENGER
 1st Lt., Air Corps

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name David W Schellenger Rank 1st Lt. Serial No. O-678952
457th
2. Organization Bm. Gp. Gp Commander Luper, J. Rank Col. Sqn CO _____ Rank Maj.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month May day 28 did you go down? Yes
4. What was the mission, Bombing (H), target, Desau, target
time, 1410, altitude, 23,000 route scheduled, N Sea, Holland,
to target _____, route flown as briefed
5. Where were you when you left formation? Over the target, after bombs away
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Yes, with the exception of T/Sgt Walter W Wagoner
18090521, Radio Operator, who was killed in the airplane
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". Lt. David W Schellenger,
Co-pilot, gave order to bail out and all members of the crew bailed out immediately.
First pilot and engineer through bomb bays; bombardier, navigator, asst. engineer,
and co-pilot through nose escape hatch. Waist gunner and tail gunner through main
entrance door.
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? approximately 6 Km. west of Verden, Germany.
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should
cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) None
11. Where were they in aircraft? Not applicable
12. What was their condition? Not applicable
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already des-
cribed above? The body of T/sgt Wagoner was seen on the ground by Lt. Schellenger
after he had fallen out of the airplane. After T/sgt Wagoner was killed his body
fall through a hole in the side of the radio room.
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you
have knowledge. Indicate source of information. None
- David W Schellenger
DAVID W SCHELLENGER
1st Lt., Air Corps

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **WAGONER Walter W.** File **5297**
 Rank: **T/Sgt.**
 Serial number: **18090521**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~ISSUE/ISSUE/ISSUE/ISSUE~~ **Radio Operator**

Did he bail out? Yes, chute did not open. Was killed.

Where? Bremen, Germany

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Last conversation a few seconds before I bailed out.

Was he injured? Yes, killed when chute did not open.

Where was he when last seen? Crew members picked him up in a field near Bremen.

Any hearsay information: He was hit in plane by anti-aircraft shell, both his legs were shot off. We tried to get him out but radio room was on fire and he told us to jump just a few minutes before plane crashed.

Source: From other crew members.

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: After we all bailed out Wagoner managed somehow to get out a plane a few hundred feet above the ground. How he got out we don't know unless he fell out of bell turret hole because the bell turret had been dropped about an hour before.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 19

Dates and destinations if possible: I have forgotten the dates and a few of the targets. His last mission was May 28, 1944, Dessau, Germany, we were hit by fighters and lost two engines. Had to leave formation and got back as far as Bremen when we were hit by flack about 6,000 ft.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **MOORE Sheldon J.** File **5297**
 Rank: **Sgt.**
 Serial number: **59555001**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Flight (Fighter)~~ **Ball Turret Gunner**

Did he bail out? Yes

Where? Bremen Germany

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: A few minutes before plane crashed.

Was he injured? Cut on top of head by plank

Where was he when last seen? Getting ready to bail out.

Any homey information: _____

Sources: _____

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

Sgt. Sheldon J. Moore came down alright and was in Stalag Luft. 4 with the rest of us.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 18

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

No Knowledge

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Irwin H. Welling Rank S/Sgt. Serial No. 35764609
2. Organization 457 Gp Commander Luper Rank Lt. Col. Sqn CO ? Rank Major
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month May day 28 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, 2nd Mission, target, Dessau, Germany, ^{Aircraft plant,} target
time, about 1:00 o'clock, altitude, 20,000 route scheduled, _____
_____, route flown _____
5. Where were you when you left formation? Over Dessau, Germany
6. Did you bail out? Yes.
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Yes, all of them.
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, Co-Pilot, bombardier, navigator, & engineer bailed out in front part of plane. Navigator received broken leg when landed. Tail gunner, both waist gunners and ball gunner bailed out of rear door. ~~missed~~
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? In a field outside of Bremen
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) None.
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? Waist gunner, Sgt. Bemis who was flying as engineer was shot through stomach by flak while bailing out was put in hospital, also navigator with broken leg. We did not see these two when we were all caught and took to a Luftwaffe air field at Bremen.
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)

I did not remember our sgd. Co. because he was changed a few times and I can't recall which one was sgd. Co. at time I was shot down.

This is a few more lines about T/Sgt. Walter Wagoner who was killed. When he was hit by an anti-aircraft shell both his legs were shot off, and possibly injured internally bad. Radio room was on fire. We tried to save him but he told us to jump before the plane crashed. We bailed out and a few hundred feet above the ground before the plane crashed he got out of the plane but he didn't open his chute. We did not see him leave the plane but a German officer told us he had jumped out. We can't understand how he got out with both legs off and shot up as badly as he was unless he managed to crawl to the ball turret hole. We had drop the ball turret right after we were hit by fighters about an hour before.

This is all the information that I can think of to help you.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIREName of crew member: ~~WAGNER~~ Walter W.

File 5297

Rank: T/Sgt.

Serial number: 18090521

Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~Navigator (Fighter)~~ Radio OperatorDid he bail out? NO BUT THROWN CLEAR OF PLANEWhere? GERMANY & BELGIAN BORDER

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: TRYING TO CONTACT HELP BY RADIOWas he injured? KILLEDWhere was he when last seen? GERMANYAny helpful information: LT. SHELINGER AND MYSELF HELPED PICK HIM UP & BURY HIM.

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: I KNOW FOR SURE HE WAS DEADTotal number of missions of above crew member: 19

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

DESTINATION GERMANY & FRANCE

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **MOORE Sheldon J.** File **5297**
 Rank: **Sgt.**
 Serial number: **39555001**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ **Ball Turret Gunner**

Did he bail out? YES

Where? GERMANY

If not, why not? _____

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

Was he injured? YES NOT SERIOUS

Where was he when last seen? ON ^{THE} MARCH IN A PERIL

Any hearsay information: NO HEARSAY. HE AND I

WERE IN PRISON TOGETHER. STALAG 17 IN GERMANY. I TALKED TO HIM IN APRIL ON MARCH IN GERMANY DID NOT SEE HIM AFTER

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: DO NOT KNOW WHAT BECAME OF HIM.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 19

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

DESTINATION GERMANY + FRANCE

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name CHARLES L STEWART Rank S/SGT Serial No. 34354455
2. Organization 456^{B. Co.} Gp Commander LUPER Rank COL. Sqn CO HUFFMAN Rank MAJ.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month MAY day 28 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, 19, target, _____, target
time, _____, altitude, 22,000 route scheduled, _____
_____, route flown _____
5. Where were you when you left formation? BUM RUN
6. Did you bail out? YES
7. Did other members of crew bail out? YES. EXCEPT WALTERS W
WAGONER T/SGT. 18090521 RADIO OPERATOR.
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". ALL BAILED OUT
EXCEPT W. W. WAGONER. HE WAS THROWN
OUT BEFORE PLANE HIT GROUND
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? ~~GERMANY~~ GERMANY
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) Not ANY
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? _____

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)

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5 IDENTIFICATION TAGS WITH FOLLOWING INSCRIPTIONS:

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| 2. JAMES E. THOMAS | 0-752961 | T 42-43 | A | | G |
| 3. JOHN O. MELLHAM | 0-691781 | T 43 | 0 | | G |
| 4. SHELDON J. MOORE | 39555002 | T 43 | 0 | MARGARET ROBINSON
11247 LA MAIDA
N WESTERN BLVD
HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. | G |
| 5. IRWIN A. WELING | 35762609 | T 43 | 0 | ARTHUR WELING
HOME
MILLBURY, OHIO | P |

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REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 16/XI AIRFIELD DETACHMENT

PLACE: BREMEN - NEUENLANDERFELD.

DATE: 28. May 44

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, FORRESS BII

EN. LANDING: AT: OSTERHOLZ b. BREMEN
on 28. May 44 at 1600

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) W E L L I N G

FIRST NAME: IRWIN

RANK: SGT.
SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 35764609

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: on 28, May 44 1620 OSTERHOLZ b. BREMEN

NAME OF HOSPITAL: ./.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: ./.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESPOST: HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A ~~XXXXXX~~ 16/XI AIRFIELD DETACHMENT

PLACE: BREMEN-NEUMLANDERFELD.

DATE: 25. May 1944

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, FORTRESS BII

EN. LANDING: AT: OSTERHOLZ near BREMEN
on 28. May 44 at 1604

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) KRIBITZ.

FIRST NAME: ROBERT

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 16026826

RANK: M/SGT.
RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: 28. May 44 1620 OSTERHOLZ b. BREMEN

NAME OF HOSPITAL: ./.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: ./.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: HQ, AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 16/II AIRFIELD DETACHMENT

PLACE: BREMEN NEUENLANDERFELD.

DATE: 28. May 44

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, FORTRESS B-2EN. LANDING: AT: OSTERHOLZ b. BREMEN
on 28. May 44 at 1604

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) MOORE

FIRST NAME: SHELDON

RANK: SGT.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 39555001

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: 28. May 44 at 1620 OSTERHOLZ b. BREMEN

NAME OF HOSPITAL: ./.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: ./.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

PLACE: HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 16/XI AIRFIELD DETACHMENT

DATE: BREMEN/NEUMLANDERFELD, 28. May 44

NAME AND FIRST NAME OF PRISONER: STEWART, CHARLES
ASN: 34354655

YEAR OF BIRTH: ./.

RANK: SGT.

PLACE AND DATE OF CAPTURE: 28. May 44 at 1620 OSTERHOLZ b. BREMEN

PARTICULARS CONCERNING CAPTURE: - ./.
(CRASHED? EMERGENCY LANDING? SHOT DOWN?)TYPE OF CRAFT FORTRESS B 2

REMARKS: Downed on 28. May 44 at 1620 near OSTERHOLZ b. BREMEN

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 16/XI AIRFIELD DETACHMENT

PLACE: BREMEN -- NEUNLANDERFELD

DATE: 28. May 44

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,EM. LANDING: AT: OSTERHOLZ b. BREMEN
on 28. May 44 at 1604

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) THOMAS

FIRST NAME: JAMES

RANK: 2ND LT.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 0752961

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: 28. May 44 at 1620 OSTERHOLZ b. BREMEN

NAME OF HOSPITAL: ./.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: ./.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 16/XI AIRFIELD DETACHMENT

PLACE: BREMEN - NEUENLANDERFELD

DATE: 28. May 44.

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, WORTHLESS B-2EN. LANDING: AT: OSTERHOLZ; b. BREMEN

on 28, May 44 at 1604

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) STOHLFIRST NAME: WOLPHRANK: 1stSERIAL NUMBER: (U.S.) 749350RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) capturedPLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: on 28. May 44 at 1620 OSTERHOLZ b. BREMENNAME OF HOSPITAL: ./.PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: ./.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 16/XI AIRFIELD DETACHMENT

PLACE: BREMEN * NEUENLANDERFELD

DATE: 28. May 44

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, FORTRESS B2EN. LANDING: AT: OSTERFELD b. BREMEN
on 28. May 44 at 1604

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

SCHELLENGER

FIRST NAME: DAVID

RANK: 2ND LT.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 678952

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: 28. May 44 1620 OSTERFELD b. BREMEN

NAME OF HOSPITAL: ./.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: ./.

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WALTER V. WAGONER
18090521 F 43 .A
FRANCIS B. WAGONER
GAYVILLE, S.D. P

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REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 16/ XI AIRFIELD DETACHMENT

PLACE: BREMEN - G. NEUBRANDERFELD

DATE: 28. May 44

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, FORTRESS B-2EN. LANDING: AT: OSTERHOLZ b. BRICKE
on 28. May 44 at 1604

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

WAGNER,

FIRST NAME: WALTER

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 18090321

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) dead

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: ./.

NAME OF HOSPITAL: ./.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: will be reported later

HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT A 16/XI
-AIRFIELD DETACHMENT -
BREMEN NEUBRANDENFELD.

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BREMEN 8. JUNE 44

REF. 1.) Lt. Kdo. Reich Fl. Abt. Ic N. 15802/44 geh. v. 18 May 44.
2.) HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT 9/XI DELMENHORST Ib Brb. Nr. 6536/44
geh. v. 1. June 44.

REG. OBLIGATION FOR DELIVERY OF ESCAPE MEANS OF ENGLISH AND AMERICAN
PRISONERS OF WAR.

TO
INTELLIGENCE OFFICE WEST

OBERSSEL/TAUNUS

According to the above cited reference, the added 7 escape-kits are sent.
These are the escape-kits from the American prisoners of war, sent to you from
here on 29. May 44, who were captured on 25. May 44 in OSTERHOLE near BREMEN.

1. SGT. MOORE
2. LT. STOHL
3. LT. SCHELLENGER
4. SGT. STEWART
5. SGT. WELING
6. SGT. KRITZ
7. LT. THOMAS

In opposition to the statements of the D(Luft) 2706/07, the HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT
ZWISCHENHAHN, which is the Chief Concentration-Center for English/American Prisoners of
War in the HQ. AIRFIELD DISTRICT 9/XI DELMENHORST, has ordered, to collect escape-
kits and emergency-provision-cans in the individual airbases. When there is a suffi-
cient amount therefrom collected, they should be sent fronttime to the Intelligence
Office.

Appendix:

- 4 closed escape-kits
- 3 opened escape-kits

Content of the opened escape-kits:

1000 fr. FRANCS	1000 fr. FRANCS	1000 fr. FRANCS
350 belg. FRANCS	350 belg. FRANCS	350 belg. FRANCS
25 dutch GULDERS	25 dutch GULDERS	25 dutch GULDERS
1 saw	1 saw	1 saw
1 escape-compass	1 escape-compass	
2 maps	2 maps	

Registered letter (is equal to) serves as receipt.

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JPTW & COMMANDER