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Route Number 3, Box 326-A,
Lufkin, Texas.

2nd Lt. Arthur H. Lindscoog *MIA* Mr. Carl A. Lindscoog, (father)
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4311 California Street,
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Washington, D. C.

2nd Lt. Edward A. Schilling *KIA* Mrs. Jennie A. Schilling, (mother)
206 North 7th Street,
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47 Prairie Avenue,
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S/Sgt. Harold E. Ahlfors *POW* Mrs. Irene Ruuska, (mother)
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S/Sgt. Donald B. Boyle *POW* Mrs. Gertrude D. Boyle, (mother)
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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

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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 Gp (H); Squadron 748th; Detachment _____
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure Station 130; Course _____
Intended Destination Munich, Germany; Type of Mission Objective Bombing
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: _____
10/10 Cloud
4. GIVE: (a) Date 12 July 44; Time _____; and Location Over Target Area
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether (X) Last Sighted; () 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 one)
() Enemy Aircraft; (X) Enemy anti-Aircraft; () Other Circumstances as follows _____
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17-G; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-31552 X
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97; A.A.F. Serial Number (a) SW-00443
(b) 43-62960; (c) 43-61581; (d) 42-21394
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number) 889449 - 888029
(a) 125370; (b) 213201; (c) 889303; (d) 889537 - 644537
(e) 644736; (f) 644511; (g) 644282; (h) 887861 - 887781 - 889587
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty _____
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 9; Passengers 0; Total 9
(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>P. Kerr, Gerald L.</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0758456</u>
2. P	<u>Lindskoog, Arthur H.</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0817715</u>
3. B	<u>Levine, Melvin L.</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0703504</u>
4. N	<u>Schilling, Edward A.</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0716676</u>
5. AAEGB	<u>Ahlfors, Harold E.</u>	<u>S/Sgt.</u>	<u>31286052</u> (PTW)
6. AAG	<u>Boyle, Donald B.</u>	<u>S/Sgt.</u>	<u>36811253</u> (RTD)
7. AEG	<u>Finneran, Leon (NMI)</u>	<u>T/Sgt.</u>	<u>11063468</u> (RTD)
8. ROG	<u>Hegedus, Ernest J.</u>	<u>T/Sgt.</u>	<u>35631000</u> (RTD)
9. AROG	<u>Younger, Samuel P. Jr.</u>	<u>S/Sgt.</u>	<u>13120666</u> (RTD)

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

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Check Only One Column			
			Contacted By	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing

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) _____

13. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHEN AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN. NONE.

14. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT. NONE. ATTACHED

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 14 July 1944

Gerald H. Galligan
(Signature of Preparing Officer)

GERALD H. GALLIGAN, 1st Lt., AC
Group Statistical Officer

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HEADQUARTERS 457TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer
AAF STATION 130

E-F-1

A P O 557
16 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Summary of Facts and Statements concerning Missing A/C 42-31552 -
Mission 12 July 1944 - Munich.

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Air Force, A.P.O. 634.
(THRU: Channels). Attn: Statistical Control.

1. The following is a summary of facts and statements concerning
A/C 42-31552:

- a. A/C was hit in #1 engine and salvoed its bombs over the primary target. It began to lag and dropped out of formation. It is believed that this A/C was last seen heading for Switzerland. One crew stated that the A/C had fighter escort, but statement was not substantiated by any other crews participating in the mission.

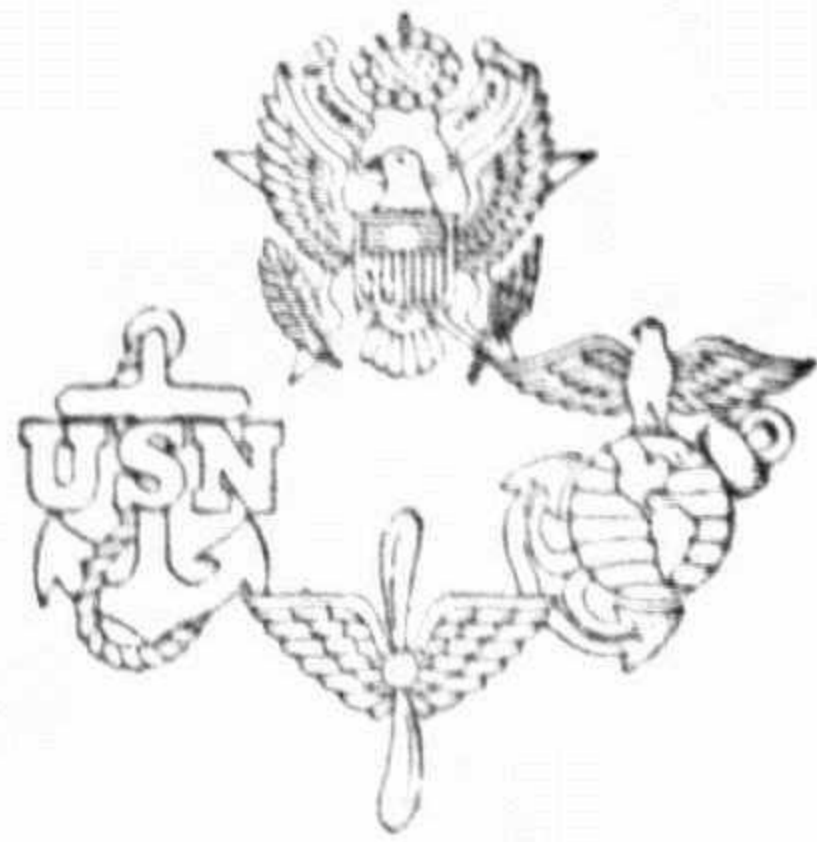
Gerald H. Galligan
GERALD H. GALLIGAN,
1st Lt., A. C.,
Gp. Statistical Officer.

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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name DONALD B. BOYLE Rank T/SGT Serial No. 36811253
457 Bd. Gp 748 Sq DN.
2. Organization _____ Gp Commander UNKNOWN Rank COL. Sqn CO UNKNOWN Rank _____
 (full name) (full name)
3. What year 1945 month JULY day 12 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, HIGH ALT. BOMBING, target, MUNICH, CITY, target time, UNKNOWN, altitude, APPROX. 24,000 route scheduled, UNKNOWN, route flown UNKNOWN
5. Where were you when you left formation? ON THE I.P.
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". I JUMPED FIRST (T.G.) WAIST GUNNER, RADIO-MAN, & THEN BALL-TARGET GUNNER WE HIT APPROX. 300 YDS. APART. (BTD) LANDED ON OTHER SIDE OF MOUNTAIN WE DIDNT MEET HIM TILL AFTER HE WAS TAKEN PRISONER
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? UNKNOWN
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) I HEARD FROM A CREW-MEMBER IT CRASHED IN SWITZERLAND
11. Where were they in aircraft? UNKNOWN
12. What was their condition? UNKNOWN
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? ALL WERE IN PROPER POSITIONS. WHEN WE WERE HIT G.P. SOUNDED HIGHLY EXCITED PILOT TOLD HIM TO BE QUIET
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)



Dear Sir,

If any information is found out, please let me know, if it is at all possible. My engineer, Leon Fennerian, says that he went to the official ~~house~~ funeral in Switzerland. That is, all except the co-pilots, who ~~hadn't~~ died when he bailed-out.

That is all I know & I would like to find out the complete story.

Yours truly,
Lon Boyle
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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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Name of crew member: KERR, Gerald L.
 Rank: 2nd.Lt.
 Serial number: O-758456
 Position: ~~Crew (Bombardier)~~ ~~Crew (Fighter)~~ P

Did he bail out? NO

Where? _____

If not, why not? FLEW SHIP SO CREW COULD JUMP. CRASHED BEFORE HE COULD JUMP

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: GOD DAMN IT JUMP, YOU GUYS (WORDS TO THAT EFFECT)

Was he injured? NOT BEFORE WE JUMPED. LATER FOUND DEAD

Where was he when last seen? PILOTING HIS SHIP

Any hearsay information: NONE

Source: _____

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

JUMPED FROM THE RADIO ROOM BACK LT KERR TRIED FLYING THE PLANE
SO EVERYONE ^{IN FRONT} COULD JUMP BUT WHILE IN THIS CLOUD HE
CRASHED INTO A MOUNTAIN

Total number of missions of above crew member: ELEVEN MISSIONS

Dates and destinations if possible: His last ten were HAMBURG JUNE 20 1944
BERLIN JUNE 21 - ROUEN, FRANCE JUNE 22 - HOLQUE FRANCE JUNE 24 - MONTAUBEN
JUNE 25 - LEIPZIG JUNE 29 - NOBALL JULY 6 - LEIPZIG JULY 7 - MUNICH JULY 11
MUNICH JULY 12.

Name of crew member: ~~LINDSKOG~~ LINDSKOOG, Arthur H.
 Rank: 2nd. Lt.
 Serial number: 0-817715
 Position: ~~Copilot~~ C P

Did he bail out? YES

Where? NO KNOWLEDGE

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: HELPING AND GETTING INSTRUCTIONS FROM PILOT ON FEATHERING ENGINES

Was he injured? NOT TO MY KNOWLEDGE

Where was he when last seen? CHUTE NOT OPENING AFTER JUMPING

Any hearsay information: NONE

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: T/SGT LEON FINNERAN TOLD ME HE JUMPED BEFORE LT LINDSKOOG, AND SEEING THE COPILOT GO PAST HIM HIS CHUTE NOT OPEN

Total number of missions of above crew member: APPOX. EIGHT MISSIONS

Dates and destinations if possible: THE LAST EIGHT OF LT KERR'S MISSIONS

Name of crew member: **LEVINE, Melvin A.**
 Rank: **2nd.Lt.**
 Serial number: **0-703504**
 Position: ~~Crew (Bomber) on Flight (Fighter)~~ **B**

Did he bail out? NO

Where? _____

If not, why not? AWAITING TURN BUT STILL HELPING PILOT AND NAV. IN DIRECTING SHIP

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

PILOT GROUND AIDS AND CONDITIONS

Was he injured? NO

Where was he when last seen? IN BOMBARDIER-NAVIGATORS COMPARTMENT IN NOSE

Any hearsay information: NONE

Sources: _____

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

PILOT HELPING HIM GUIDE SHIP THROUGH MOUNTAINS

Total number of missions of above crew member: 10

Dates and destinations if possible: HAMBURG JUNE 20 1944 - BERLIN JUNE 24 -

ROUEN JUNE 22 - HOLQUE FRANCE JUNE 24 - MONTAUBEN FR JUNE 25 - LEIPZIG JUNE 29

NOBALL JULY 6 - LEIPZIG JULY 7 - MUNICH JULY 11 - MUNICH JULY 12

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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Name of crew member: **SCHILLING, Edward A.**
 Rank: **2nd.Lt.**
 Serial number: **0-716676**
 Position: ~~COMMUNICATIONS SECTION~~ **B**

Did he bail out? NO

Where? TRIED TO CHART COURSE AND GAVE NAVIGATIONAL AID TO PILOT

If not, why not? →

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: GAVE PILOT
HEADING FOR SWITZERLAND AFTER BEING LEFT BY ESCORT

Was he injured? NO

Where was he when last seen? NAVIGATION TABLE IN NOSE OF PLANE

Any hearsay information: NONE

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: TRIED AIDING
PILOT BY VISUAL AND NAVIGATIONAL MEANS. SHIP
CRASHED BEFORE HE HAD TIME TO JUMP

Total number of missions of above crew member: 10

Dates and destinations if possible: SAME AS LT MELVIN L. LEVINE

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Name of crew member: **HALFORS, Harold E.**
 Rank: **S. Sgt.**
 Serial number: **31286052**
 Position: ~~XXXXXX~~ **AABG LWG**

Did he bail out? YES

Where? GERMAN ALPS APPROXIMATELY FIFTY KILOMETRES FROM SWISS BORDER

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: I TOLD HIM TO JUMP AS ORDERED BY PILOT

Was he injured? YES, HE LANDED ON HIS HEAD AMONG BOULDERS AFTER CHUTING,

Where was he when last seen? I SAW HIM LAST FEB 4 1945, STAMM LUTHE BY TRAIN
HE WAS SHIPPED FROM

Any hearsay information: HE WAS TO HAVE TRAVELED BY RAIL FOR A FEW WEEKS TO BARTH GERMANY WITH OTHER CASES THAT COULD NOT GO ON THE FORCED MARCH ACROSS GERMANY WITH THE REST OF US ON FEB 6 1945

Source: INFORMATION GIVEN BY GERMANS AND SGT HALFORS HIMSELF

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: NO

Total number of missions of above crew member: 10

Dates and destinations if possible: DATE AS LT YELVIN L. LEVINE

Name of crew member: YOUNGER, Samuel P. Jr.
 Rank: S.Sgt.
 Serial number: 13120666
 Position: ~~Crew (Observer) or Pilot (Fighter)~~ AROG BTG

Did he bail out? YES

Where? GERMAN ALPS

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: ~~EVERYONE WAS~~

I TOLD HIM TO JUMP AS ORDERED

Was he injured? YES, RECEIVED A BUMPED UP LEG WHEN HE LINED

Where was he when last seen? STALAG LUFT IV FEB 4 1945

Any hearsay information: NO ONE OTHER THAN AS FOR LT AHLFORS

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: NO

Total number of missions of above crew member: 11

Dates and destinations if possible: SAME AS FOR LT LEVINE

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name ERNEST J. HEGEDUS Rank T/SGT Serial No. 35631000
2. Organization 457 Gp Command Rank _____ Sqn CO SMITH Rank CAPT.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month JULY day 12 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, MUNICH, target, _____, target time, 11 00, altitude, 25000 FT route scheduled, _____, route flown _____
5. Where were you when you left formation? ON THE BOMB RUN
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". 1st LT LEON FINNERAN BAILED OUT OVER SWITZERLAND
1st SGT DONALD BOYLE FIRST TO BAIL OUT OVER GERMANY IN THE MOUNTAINS
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? SWISS ALPS
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) LTS KERR, ~~MAKOS~~, LEVINE, SCHILLING
11. Where were they in aircraft? IN THEIR POSITIONS
12. What was their condition? DEAD
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? 1st SGT AHLFORS ABIT BRUISED IN STALAG LUFT IV FEB '1 1945
1st SGT DONALD BOYLE STALAG LUFT IV FORCED MARCH ABOUT MARCH 1945
1st SGT SAMUEL P YOUNGER STALAG LUFT IV FEB '1 1945
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)

Name of crew member: KERR, Gerald L.
 Rank: 2nd. Lt.
 Serial number: O-758456
 Position: ~~Crew (Bombardier) or Flight Navigator~~ P

Did he bail out? NO

Where? —

If not, why not? CRASH UNKNOWN

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

NOT WORKING, RANG BAIL-OUT ALARM

Was he injured? KILLED

Where was he when last seen? IN PLANE

Any hearsay information: CRASHED IN SWITZERLAND &

KILLED

Source: FROM CREW-MEMBER

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

ACTION

Total number of missions of above crew member: UNKNOWN

Dates and destinations if possible: UNKNOWN

Name of crew member: ~~LINDSKOG~~ LINDSKOG, Arthur H.
 Rank: 2nd.Lt.
 Serial number: 0-817715
 Position: ~~Crew Chief~~ CP

Did he bail out? YES

Where? UNKNOWN

If not, why not? -

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: HE
BECAUSE OF OIL PRESS. FAILURE
WANTED TO FEATHER ONE OF OUR LAST TWO ENGS.

Was he injured? KILLED

Where was he when last seen? IN PLANE

Any hearsay information: BAILLED OUT & CHUTE FAILED
TO OPEN.

Source: CREW-MEMBER

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: KILLED
BECAUSE OF FAILURE OF CHUTE TO OPEN

Total number of missions of above crew member: UNKNOWN

Dates and destinations if possible: UNKNOWN

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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Name of crew member: SCHILLING, Edward A.
Rank: 2nd.Lt.
Serial number: O-716676
Position: ~~CREW MEMBER - PILOT~~ N

Did he bail out? NO

Where? /

If not, why not? UNKNOWN

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? IN PLANE

Any hearsay information: KILLED IN CRASH

Source: CREW-MEMBER

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: UNKNOWN

Dates and destinations if possible: UNKNOWN

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Name of crew member: AHLFORS, Harold E.
Rank: S. Sgt.
Serial number: 31286052
Position: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ AABG LWG

Did he bail out? YES

Where? AUSTRIAN-ALPS APPROX. 15 MI. FROM SWITZERLAND

If not, why not? —

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

Was he injured? MINOR CUT ON BACK OF HEAD

Where was he when last seen? IN PRISON CAMP-LATER IN FRANCE

Any hearsay information: NONE

Source: —

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

PRISONER & LATER RELEASED

Total number of missions of above crew member: UNKNOWN

Dates and destinations if possible: UNKNOWN

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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Name of crew member: **YOUNGER, Samuel F. Jr.**
 Rank: **S. Sgt.**
 Serial number: **13120666**
 Position: ~~Crew (Bomber) or Flight (Fighter)~~ **AROS BTG**

Did he bail out? YES

Where? AUSTRIAN - ALPS

If not, why not? —

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

Was he injured? SPRAINED KNEE WHEN HE HIT THE GROUND

Where was he when last seen? IN PRISON CAMP & LATER IN FRANCE

Any hearsay information: NONE

Source: —

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

PRISONER & LATER RELEASED

Total number of missions of above crew member: UNKNOWN

Dates and destinations if possible: UNKNOWN

KU 845 A

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Hq. Airbase A (o) ~~19~~ 14/VII
 PLACE: Kaufbeuren
 DATE: 14 July 1944

REGARDING: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ OF. Parachute jump on 12 July 1944 at 1430 o'clock in
 Partenen, county Bludenz, Reichs-district Tirol and
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ AT: Vorarlberg.

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) Y O U N G E R
 FIRST NAME: SAMUEL P.
 S/Sgt.
 SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 13120666 T42-43

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: on 12 July 1944 1545 o'clock at mountain-cabin of the
 border-protection-service in Cromer-valley by
 NAME OF HOSPITAL: --- auxiliary - costum house assistant Josef Sonnleitner.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: ---

signed Maegele
 Major and unattached officer.

KU 845 A

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Hq. Airbase A (o) 14/VII
 PLACE: Kaufbeuren
 DATE: 14 July 1944

REGARDING: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ OF, Parachute jump on 12 July 1944 at 1430 o'clock in
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ AT: Partenen, county Bludenz, Reichs-district Tirol and
 Vorarlberg.

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) A H L F O R S
 FIRST NAME: HAROLD E.
 S/Sgt.
 SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 312 860 52 T43-44 0
 RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: on 12 July 1944 2045 o'clock between the wire-railway -
 station Schwarzenboeden and the Saarbrueckner-cottage in
 NAME OF HOSPITAL: — the Cromer-valley by the custom-house officer Josef Ascherl.
 PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: —

signed Maegele
 Major, unattached officer.

KU 845 A

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Hq. Airbase A (o) 14/VII

PLACE: Kaufbeuren

DATE: 14 July 1944

REGARDING: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ OF, Parachute jump on 12 July 1944 at 1430 o'clock in
Partenen, county Bludenz, Reichs-district Tirol and
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ AT: Vorarlberg.

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) B O Y L E

FIRST NAME: DONALD B.
Sgt.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 36 811 253 T43-44

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: on 12 July 1944 2045 o'clock between the wire-railway-
station Schwarzenboeden and the Saarbrueckner-cottage in

NAME OF HOSPITAL: --- the Cromer-valley by custom-house officer Josef Ascherl.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: ---

signed Maegele
Major, unattached officer.

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POST: Hq. Airbase A(o) 14/VII
 PLACE: Kaufbeuren
 DATE: 14 July 1944

REGARDING: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ OF, Parachute jump on 12 July 1944 at 1430 o'clock in
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Partenen, county Bludenz, Reichs-District Tirol and
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ AT: Vorarlberg.
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) HEGEDUS
 FIRST NAME: Ernest J.
 SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) Sgt.
 35631000 T43-44 A
 RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: on 12 July 1944 2045 o'clock between the Wire-railway-
 station Schwarzenboeden and the Saarbrueckner-cottage in
 NAME OF HOSPITAL: ----- the Cromer-valley. by custom-house officer Josef Ascherl.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: -----

signed Maegele

Major, unattached officer.

KU 845 A

Airbase Kaufbeuren

Date and Time of capture: 12 July 1944 1430 o'clock

Place of capture: Parthenen Bludenz, ~~XXXXXX~~ Vorarlberg.

Sgt. Hegedus, Ernest, J.

Sgt. Younger, Sam. P.

Sgt. Ahlfors, Harold, E.

Sgt. Boyle, Donald, B.

aircraft flew into Switzerland.

KU 845 A

Hq. Airbase A (o) 14/VII

Kaufbeuren, 14 July 1944.
Telephon No. 15

Shipment - List No. 5

of the American Prisoners of War marched out to Oberursel (Dulag-Luft)
on 15 July 1944.

Rank: Last Name: First Name:

1)Sergeant	HEGEDUS Hegedus	Ernst
2)Sergeant	Boyle	Donald
3)Sergeant	Ahlforst	Harold E.
4)Sergeant	Younger	Samuel, Phillipp

stamped: Dulag-Luft, Wetzlar
received: 18July44
Aentralkart.un.Meldest.

Signature Maegele

Major, unattached officer.

KU 845 A

Hq. Airbase A (o) 14/VII

Kaufbeuren, 14 July 1944

Refer.: General Order of Information Center West Oberursel March 1944.

Subject: Parachute jump: on 12 July 1944 at 1430 o'clock in Parthenen, County Bludenz, ReichsDistrict Tirol and Vorarlberg, of the part of a crew of an American Aircraft which is supposed to have continued on its flight in direction to the border of Switzerland.

Crew: Part of the crew captured on 12 July 1944 1545 respectively 2045 o'clock by members of the Police Mountain Station in Cromer-valley.

Type of aircraft: completely ~~unknown~~ unknown

Markings of craft: unknown

Admittance No.: unknown

Downed by: ---

4 Prisoners: Sgt. Hegecius, Ernest J., Ser.No. ~~3561~~35631000 T43-44 A
Sgt. Younger, Samuel P., Ser.No. 13120666 T42-43 B
Sgt. Ahlfors, Harold E., Ser.No. 31286052 T 43-44 O
Sgt. Boyle, Donald B., Ser.No.36811253 T 43-44 O

will be marched out to Oberursel on 15 July 1944.

wounded: ---

dead: ---

under order
Signature Maegale
Major, unattached officer.

Distribution:
Sulag-Luft
for the file

MAOK 6926

B-17

9 men

		<u>Rank:</u>	<u>Name:</u>	<u>KU 845a</u>
Date:	12 July 1944	2nd Lt.	KERR	Ø
	at 1430	2nd Lt.	LINDSKOOG	
Place:	Parthenon	2nd Lt.	SHILLING	
	Bludenz, Vorarlberg	2nd Lt.	LEVINE	
Type:	Fortress	T/Sgt.	HEGEDUS, Ernest Joseph	35631000 .
		S/Sgt.	YOUNGER, Samuel Philip	13120666 .
Target:	FH. Kaufbeuren	S/Sgt.	AHLFORS, Harold E.	31286052 .
	(Plane flew to Switzer-	S/Sgt.	BOYLE, Donald B.	36811253 .
	land)	T/Sgt.	PINNEGAN, Jerome M.	37340949
		Sgt.	KIDWELL, Hugh T.	35368019 *)
		*) Name crossed out with pencil.- see 849		

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT

WAS SHOT DOWN

12 July 1944, 1430 hrsCASUALTY NO. KU 845 A

PLACE OF CRASH

Pathenen

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT

Fortress

REPORTING OFFICE

Local Airbase Kaufbeuren

NAME	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	CAPT'D		PLACE OF INTERNMENT
			WOUNDED	DEAD	

HEGEDUS, Ernest Joseph	T/Sgt.	35631000	captured		Dulag-Luft
AHLFORS, Harold E. 26 Oct. 1923 Phila. Pa.	S/Sgt.	31286052	"	"	"
YOUNGER, Samuel Philip 3 June 1912 Va.	S/Sgt.	13120666	"	"	"
BOYLE, Donald B.	S/Sgt.	36811253	"	"	"

REMARKS:

24 Aug. 1944 No.

KU 845 A

Airbase Kaufbeuren

Time and Date of capture: 12 July 1944 1430 o'clock
Place of capture: Parthenon Bludenz, Vorarlberg
Type of craft: Fortress 17 U, in triangle, H

The ^{craft} continued on its flight in direction to Switzerland.

Pilot	2nd Lt. Kerr
Co-Pilot	2nd Lt. Lindskeog
Navigator	2nd Lt. Shilling
Bombardier	2nd Lt. Levine
Engineer	T/Sgt. Finneran
Gunner	S/Sgt. Boyle, Donald B.
Gunner	S/Sgt. Ahlfors, Harold, E.
Gunner	S/Sgt. Younger, Sam. Ph.
Radio-operator	S/Sgt. Heg Aus, Ernest

KU 845 A

Hq. Airbase A (o) 14/VII

Kaufbeuren, 14 July 1944

Refer.: General Order of Information Center West Oberursel March 1944.

Subject: Parachute jump: on 12 July 1944 at 1430 o'clock in Parthenen, County Bludenz, ReichsDistrict Tirol and Vorarlberg, of the part of a crew of an American Aircraft which is supposed to have continued on its flight in direction to the border of Switzerland.

Crew: Part of the crew captured on 12 July 1944 1545 respectively 2045 o'clock by members of the Police Mountain Station in Cromer-valley.

Type of aircraft: completely unknown

Markings of craft: unknown

Admittance No.: unknown

Downed by: ---

4 Prisoners: Sgt. Hegedus, Ernest J., Ser.No. 22235631000 T43-44 A
Sgt. Younger, Samuel P., Ser.No. 13120666 T42-43 B
Sgt. Ahlfors, Harold E., Ser.No. 31286052 T 43-44 O
Sgt. Boyle, Donald B., Ser.No. 36811253 T 43-44 O

will be marched out to Oberursel on 15 July 1944.

wounded: ---

dead: ---

under order
Signature Maegle
Major, unattached officer.

Distribution:
Sulag-Luft
for the file

KU 845 A

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Hq. Airbase A (o) 22 14/VII
 PLACE: Kaufbeuren
 DATE: 14 July 1944

REGARDING: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ OF, Parachute jump on 12 July 1944 at 1430 o'clock in
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ AT: Vorarlberg.
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) Y O U N G E R
 FIRST NAME: SAMUEL P.
 SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) S/Sgt.
 13120666 T42-43

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: on 12 July 1944 1545 o'clock at mountain-cabin of the
 border-protection-service in Gromer-valley by
 NAME OF HOSPITAL: --- auxiliary - costum house assistant Josef Sonnleitner.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: ---

signed Maegle
 Major and unattached officer.

KU 845 A

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Hq. Airbase A (o) 14/VII

PLACE: Kau. beuren

DATE: 14 July 1944

REGARDING: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ (DOWNED) OF, Parachute jump on 12 July 1944 at 1430 o'clock in Partenen, county Bludenz, Reichs-district Tirol and Vorarlberg.
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) A H L F O R S

FIRST NAME: HAROLD E.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) S/Sgt.

312 860 52 T43-44 0

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: on 12 July 1944 2045 o'clock between the wire-railway - station Schwarzenboeden and the Saarbrueckner-cottage in

NAME OF HOSPITAL: --- the Cromer-valley by the custom-house officer Josef Ascherl.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: ---

signed Naegele
Major, unattached officer.

FORM

KU 845 A

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST:

Hq. Airbase A (o) 14/VII

PLACE:

Kaufbeuren

DATE:

14 July 1944

CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,

REGARDING:

XXXXXXXXXXXXXX

EM. LANDING:

XXXXXXXXXXXXXX

AT:

Parachute jump on 12 July 1944 at 1430 o'clock in Partenc, county Bludenz, Reichs-district Tirol and Vorarlberg.

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

B O Y L E

FIRST NAME:

DONALD B.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

Sgt.

36 811 253 T43-44

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

on 12 July 1944 2045 o'clock between the wire-railway-station Schwarzenboeden and the Saarbrueckner-cottage in the Crozer-valley by custom-house officer Josef Ascherl.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

signed Maegle
Major, unattached officer.

KU 845 A

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Hq. Airbase A(o) 14/VII

PLACE: Kaufbeuren

DATE: 14 July 1944

REGARDING: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Parachute jump on 12 July 1944 at 1430 o'clock in
OF Partenen, county Bludenz, Reichs-District Tirol and
Vorarlberg.
AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) HUGEDUS
FIRST NAME: Ernest J.
SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) Sgt.
35631000 T43-44 A

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: on 12 July 1944 2045 o'clock between the Wire-railway-
station Schwarzenboden and the Saarbrueckner-cottage in
NAME OF HOSPITAL: the Cromer-valley. by custom-house officer Josef Ascherl.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: _____

signed Maegale
Major, unattached officer.

KU 845 A

Airbase Kaufbeuren

Date and Time of capture: 12 July 1944 1430 o'clock

Place of capture: Parthenen Bludenz, ~~XXXXX~~ Vorarlberg.

Sgt. Hegedus, Ernest, J.

Sgt. Younger, Sam. P.

Sgt. Ahlfers, Harold, E.

Sgt. Boyle, Donald, B.

aircraft flew into Switzerland.

KU 845 A

Hq. Airbase A (e) 14/VII

Kaufbeuren, 14 July 1944.
Telephon No. 15

Statement - List No. 5

of the American Prisoners of War marched out to Oberursel (Dulag-Luft)
on 15 July 1944.

Rank: Last Name: First Name:

1)Sergeant	HEINRICH Hegedus	Ernst
2)Sergeant	Boyle	Donald
3)Sergeant	Ahlfortt	Harold E.
4)Sergeant	Younger	Samuel, Phillipp

stamped: Dulag-Luft, Wetlar
received: 18 July 44
Aentralkart.u. Meldest.

Signature Maegle

Major, unattached officer.

KU 845 A

Airbase Kaufbeuren

Time and Date of capture: 12 July 1944 1430 o'clock
Place of capture: Parthenen Bludenz, Vorarlberg
Type of craft: Fortress 17 U, in triangle, H

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Gunner	S/Sgt. Ahlfors, Harold, E.
Gunner	S/Sgt. Younger, Sam. Ph.
Radio-operator	S/Sgt. Hegedus, Ernest

KU 845 A

List of identification tags and various papers filed under KU 845 A

✓ Samuel P. YOUNGER
13120666 T42-43 B P

HUGH T. KIDWELL
35368019 T42 44 O P

JEROME M. FINNEGAN
37340949 T43 43 B C
John Finnegan
675 SO Sherman
Denver Colo.

✓ DONALD B. BOYLE
36811253 T43-44 O C
Gertrude Boyle
815 St. Claire St.
Ashland, Wis.

~~ERNEST J. HEGEDUS~~
#2

✓ ERNEST J. HEGEDUS
35631000 T43-44 A P

✓ HAROLD E. AHLFORS
31286052 T43-44 O P

Prescription for the sight of Finnegan J.M.
Army Exchange ration card " " S/Sgt. 37340949
Pilot and Crew Members Physical Record Card Hegedus, E. J. 35631000
Army Exchange Ration Card " " "
Pilot and Crew Member Physical Record Card-Donald B. Boyle 36811253
Soldiers individual pay record " " "

Meldung über den Abschluß eines
~~britischen~~ Flugzeuges
 USA

Abschuß-Nr. KU 845 A

Abschußtag und Zeit: 12.7.44 - 14.30
 Abschlußort: Pathenen
 Flugzeugtyp: Fortress
 Meldende Dienststelle: Fl.H. Kaufbeuren

Besatzung:

Name und Vornamen: Geburtstag und -ort:	Dienst- grad:	Erk.- Marke:	Verbleib:	
			gef.: verw.: tot:	welches Lager Art d. Verwundung Grablage
HEGHDUS Ernest Joseph	T/Sgt.	35631000	gef.	Dulag-Luft
ANLFORS Harold E. 26.10.23 Phila. Pa.	S/Sgt.	31286052	gef.	Dulag-Luft
YOUNGER Samuel Philip 3.6.12 Va.	S/Sgt.	13120666	gef.	Dulag-Luft
BOYLE Donald B.	S/Sgt.	36811253	gef.	Dulag-Luft

Bemerkungen:

6726

DULAG-LUFT, den 24.3.44 Wo.

Fragebogen

über Angehörige der britischen Luftwaffe

1. **Name:**

Vorname:

Dienstgrad:

Gebohren am:

Geboren in:

Erkennungsmarke Nr.:

2. **Tag, Zeit und Ort der Gefangennahme (Todes-Hergang) kurz gefaßt:**

3. **Weitere Besatzungsmitglieder:**

4. **Meldende Dienststelle bzw. Meldung von:**

5. **Tag der Einlieferung in DULAG-LUFT:**

6. a) **Verwundet:**

Art der Verwundung:

seit: im Lazarett (Krankenhaus):

Befinden:

Voraussichtliche Krankheitsdauer:

b) **Unverwundet-Verbleib:**

c) **Tot:**

Todesursache:

Beigesetzt am:

Grablage:

7. **Bemerkungen:**

....., den